



RYAN
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Grades I to IX

From the Principal's Desk

At Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, we firmly believe that traditions are the heartbeat of culture, weaving the past and present into a tapestry of enduring values. They are not merely rituals; they are living lessons that nurture empathy, respect, and a sense of belonging. Through the celebration of festivals and cultural milestones, our students are guided to appreciate the richness of heritage and to understand the principles that have shaped generations before them.

Traditions provide children with more than knowledge; they instil pride, strengthen moral grounding, and cultivate emotional intelligence. They encourage students to value relationships, cherish family and community bonds, and embrace gratitude and kindness in their daily lives. By connecting with these timeless customs, our learners develop a profound understanding of their roots, identity, and responsibilities as global citizens.

At RIAH, our mission is to create an environment where the spirit of tradition inspires thoughtfulness, integrity, and compassion. We aim to ensure that every celebration leaves an indelible mark on young hearts, shaping not only memories to treasure but also the character and values that will guide them throughout their lives.

- Ms. Surinder Kaur Sayan,
Principal, RIAH



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Thought of the Month

“Traditions are the threads that weave our past into joyful memories for the future.”

It means traditions connect us to our heritage and cultural roots. By practising and celebrating these customs, we transform experiences from the past into meaningful moments that create lasting happiness and memories for ourselves and future generations.

Coordinator's Speak



At Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, traditions are the heartbeat of our school, gently weaving the past into the present and creating memories that linger long after the celebrations end. Across Grades, each festival, cultural milestone, and special occasion becomes a canvas for joy, togetherness, and learning, where students discover the richness of our heritage and the beauty of shared experiences.

These moments are more than celebrations; they are lessons in empathy, kindness, and respect, nurturing a sense of belonging and shaping young hearts into compassionate, confident, and thoughtful individuals. As students laugh, learn, and grow together, they carry forward values that will guide them through life, while treasuring the warmth of community and the magic of memorable experiences.

At RIAH, traditions are not merely observed; they are felt, embraced, and cherished, leaving behind a tapestry of memories that shine bright in every child's journey.

**- Ms. Kirti Ranjan,
Middle School Coordinator**

Coordinator's Speak



Every celebration tells a story a story of people, emotions, and moments that linger long after the day has passed. Traditions have a quiet power. They bring us together, spark conversations, and fill our days with colours of belonging. Whether it's lighting diyas, tying rakhi, or coming together for a school festival, each ritual becomes a way of saying, we remember who we are and where we come from.

In school, these celebrations are not just events on a calendar; they are lessons in joy and connection. Children learn that every tradition no matter how simple carries meaning. They see how smiles multiply when everyone joins in. They understand that respect for one's own culture goes hand in hand with appreciation for others'. And in the process, they build bonds that make school life warmer and richer.

Traditions don't stand still; they grow with us. When students sing festive songs, dress up for cultural days, or share sweets after a performance, they are creating memories that will stay etched in their hearts. Years later, they may not remember the exact words of a speech, but they'll remember how it felt, the laughter, the excitement, the sense of togetherness.

As we celebrate these timeless moments, we realise that traditions are not just about the past. They are our way of carrying love, gratitude, and connection into the future. Every shared celebration becomes a memory and every memory, a quiet celebration of life itself. in every step along the way.

**- Ms. Archana Tiwari,
Primary Coordinator**

Activities

Inter-House Diwali Competitions – Creativity Meets Consciousness

To celebrate the festive spirit of Diwali and promote environmental awareness, Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi organised Inter-House Competitions on 17th October 2025 for students of Grades I to IX. The event beautifully combined creativity with meaningful themes, encouraging students to embrace the festival in a sustainable and culturally rich way.

The competitions were thoughtfully designed for each age group. Grades I and II participated in Lantern Making, crafting vibrant paper lanterns using eco-friendly materials. Grades III to V showcased their artistic flair through Floral Rangoli Making, using fresh petals to create colourful and intricate designs. Grades VI to IX took part in Diya Decoration, adorning clay and metal diyas with colours, mirrors, beads, and natural embellishments, and Poster Making on the themes “Say No to Firecrackers” and “Eco-Friendly Diwali”.

The event not only celebrated students’ creativity but also highlighted their awareness of environmental responsibility. The atmosphere was alive with enthusiasm, teamwork, and festive cheer, and after a close contest, Newton House emerged as the overall winner, praised for their originality, presentation, and alignment with the themes.

The competitions successfully merged tradition with modern values, leaving a strong message about celebrating festivals with creativity, care, and consciousness.



Eco and Gardening

This month, our young Ryanites enthusiastically participated in a variety of hands-on Eco and Gardening Club activities, deepening their connection with nature and understanding the importance of sustainable living.

Grade I & II celebrated Water the Plants Day and took part in a Garden Colour Hunt, exploring the garden to identify plants of different shades. They also solved a Parts of Plant Puzzle and participated in an Insect Watch, observing small creatures that play vital roles in the ecosystem.

Grade III students learned about biodiversity by spotting herbs and creating an informative Herb Chart. They also undertook a creative challenge by building Bug Hotels, providing safe habitats for beneficial insects and understanding their roles in pollination and pest control.

Grade IV focused on garden safety through poster-making and started a Plant Journal, documenting the growth, care, and needs of plants while developing responsibility and observation skills.

Grades VI to VIII explored environmental conservation by conducting soil type testing to understand how different soils support various plants. They also designed grey water recycling systems, learning practical ways to reuse water and reduce wastage, taking steps towards a greener, more sustainable future.

Through these activities, students not only enhanced their scientific knowledge but also developed empathy for nature, teamwork, and eco-conscious habits, nurturing the environmental stewards of tomorrow.



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Revival of a Lost Art: Kohwar Painting

At Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, our students are exploring the rich heritage of Indian art through the revival of Kohwar painting, a traditional folk art form originating from the tribal communities of Chhattisgarh. This intricate art, known for its vibrant colours, geometric patterns, and depictions of nature and everyday life, provides students with an opportunity to connect with India's cultural roots.

Through this activity, students learn not only the techniques and symbolism of Kohwar art but also develop patience, creativity, and attention to detail. By recreating these patterns on paper and other mediums, they gain an appreciation for traditional craftsmanship while keeping this unique art form alive for future generations.

The initiative reflects our school's commitment to preserving cultural heritage and fostering creativity, allowing students to celebrate tradition while expressing themselves through art.

Innovation

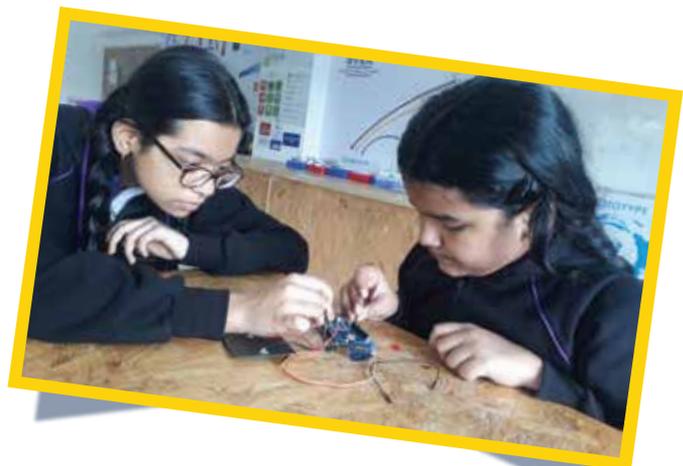
At Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, we inspire students to explore, experiment, and create through hands-on innovation projects. Our Innovation Programme encourages problem-solving, critical thinking, and practical application of knowledge, helping students become confident and creative thinkers.

Wheel and Axle - Grade I

Students explored the basics of mechanics by creating different types of wheel and axle systems, understanding motion and structure through practical experience.

Disaster Management - Grade II

Learners designed anti-flood structures,



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including a floating house attached to a flood-resistant bridge with a flood warning alarm, combining creativity with real-world problem-solving.

Electronic Dice - Grade III

Students built a single-chip electronic dice using a breadboard, learning foundational concepts of electronics and circuit design.

Block Programming & Microcontrollers Grade IV

Learners recapped block programming and coding with microcontrollers and applied their skills in practical experiments such as ultrasonic distance measurement.

Automatic Cloth Drying Stand - Grade V

Students designed an automatic cloth drying stand, integrating mechanics and automation principles to create functional solutions.

Digital Speedometer - Grade VI

Learners developed a digital speedometer for vehicles, applying sensors and measurement techniques to understand practical applications of electronics.

Solar Panel Tracker - Grade VII

Students explored renewable energy by creating a solar panel tracker, learning how technology can enhance solar efficiency and sustainability.

Introduction to Python & Blockly Grade VIII

Learners were introduced to Python and Blockly programming, building a Python-based calculator and strengthening coding skills for real-world problem-solving.

Through these projects, our students gain hands-on experience, creativity, technical expertise, and confidence, preparing them to be the innovators and problem-solvers of tomorrow.



Field Trip

Students of Grades VI to IX from Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, had an enriching and inspiring field trip to the prestigious National Defence Academy. The visit offered a unique opportunity to explore the academy's heritage, training, and daily life.

The students began their experience by watching a short film on life at the NDA, providing insights into the discipline, dedication, and training of cadets. They then explored the museum, Sudan Block, and the Equitation Training Team area, including a visit to the stables, where they observed the care and training of horses.

A special highlight of the trip was a visit to the flight training area, where students had the rare opportunity to see the Super Dimona training aircraft up close. An officer shared fascinating details about the aircraft and academy life, offering students a deeper understanding of the commitment, skills, and teamwork required at the NDA.

The visit was both educational and inspiring, leaving students with a lasting impression of the academy's values, discipline, and the dedication of those who serve the nation. It was a truly memorable experience that encouraged our learners to dream big and appreciate the significance of service and leadership.



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Music Pathways & Entrepreneurship Workshop: Inspiring Young Minds

Students of Grade VI & VII at Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi, recently had the opportunity to participate in a two-day Music Pathways & Entrepreneurship Workshop, held on 16th and 17th September 2025 at the Furtados School of Music, Aundh. The programme aimed to nurture creativity, musical skills, and entrepreneurial awareness, offering students a comprehensive insight into the world of music and performing arts.

The workshop began with an announcement by the school principal during assembly, introducing students to the purpose of internships and the exciting learning opportunities ahead. Music, with its ability to foster creativity, memory, discipline, and teamwork, formed the core of the sessions. Alongside exploring instruments and rhythm, students were introduced to the technological and business aspects of music, preparing them for emerging career pathways beyond stage performance.

Facilitated by Mr. Essar, an experienced faculty member at Furtados School of Music, the sessions were highly interactive. Students engaged in hands-on learning with instruments such as guitar, keyboards, and percussion, explored ensemble performance, and composed simple musical pieces. They also gained exposure to music technology, including digital audio workstations, live recording techniques, and understanding song structure.

The workshop further delved into the entrepreneurial side of music, covering career opportunities as performers, composers, producers, sound engineers, and content creators. Students learned about branding, budgeting, intellectual property, and promoting performances safely online. The interactive format encouraged teamwork, confidence,



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and discipline, allowing students to experience how creativity can be channelled into meaningful professional avenues.

Students reflected positively on the experience, sharing their joy in creating music collaboratively, understanding the technical and business elements of the industry, and recognising the value of consistent practice and ethical use of technology. Many expressed motivation to learn an instrument and explore future opportunities in music, production, and performing arts.

The internship concluded with student presentations, felicitation with certificates, and letters of appreciation, marking a successful initiative to blend creativity, technology, and entrepreneurship. Through this workshop, Ryan International Academy continues to inspire its students to dream big, explore their passions, and embrace the endless possibilities in the world of music.

Cybersecurity and Compliance Internship: Preparing Students for the Digital Age

Students of Grade VI & VII at Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi recently participated in a two-day Cybersecurity and Compliance Internship, held on 22nd and 23rd August 2025 in collaboration with Verusava, a start-up specialising in cybersecurity solutions. The programme aimed to create awareness about digital safety, responsible technology use, and career opportunities in the rapidly evolving field of cybersecurity.

The internship was announced by the school principal during assembly, introducing students to the importance of safe and ethical online practices. In today's digitally connected world, understanding cybersecurity and compliance is crucial for young learners who



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are both consumers and contributors in the online environment.

Facilitated by Mr. Nitesh Kumar, an experienced cybersecurity strategist, and Mr. Aryan Rathore, a digital forensics expert and entrepreneur, the sessions were interactive, engaging, and highly relevant. Students explored topics such as cybersecurity fundamentals, compliance awareness, cyber threats like hacking and phishing, and ethical online behaviour. They also gained insights into entrepreneurship in cybersecurity, start-up culture, and emerging career opportunities.

Through hands-on discussions and activities, students developed critical 21st-century skills including digital literacy, problem-solving, and responsible citizenship. They learned practical strategies for data protection, password safety, and online security, gaining confidence to navigate the digital world safely. The workshop inspired them to explore further studies in computer science, coding, robotics, and cybersecurity, and to pursue creative technology projects responsibly.

Students expressed great enthusiasm, reflecting on how the workshop enhanced their understanding of digital safety, ethical technology use, and career possibilities in cybersecurity. Their experiences were shared during assembly, and participants were felicitated with certificates of appreciation. Letters of gratitude highlighted the positive impact of the internship, while media coverage further recognised the initiative.

The Cybersecurity and Compliance Internship successfully empowered students to become responsible digital citizens, equipped with knowledge, awareness, and ambition to thrive in the digital era.



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Chocolate Craft, Bakery Careers & the Food Industry Internship

Students of Grades VIII and IX at Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi had an exciting opportunity to explore the world of culinary arts through a one-day Chocolate Craft and Bakery Internship held on 20th September 2025 in collaboration with Sneh Resort, Pune. The programme aimed to provide practical exposure to the food industry, combining creativity, science, and professional skills while fostering teamwork and innovation.

The internship was announced by the school principal during assembly, introducing students to the value of experiential learning and highlighting career opportunities in the food and beverage sector.

Facilitated by the Resort Pastry Chef, Bakery Supervisor, and Food & Beverage staff, students engaged in hands-on sessions covering chocolate tempering and moulding, bakery operations, food hygiene, packaging, presentation, and cost management. They also learned about the roles of commis chefs, chocolatiers, bakers, decorators, and quality analysts, along with insights into entrepreneurship and industry pathways.

Throughout the workshop, students gained practical skills in precision, coordination, creativity, and hygiene, while also understanding how to balance quality, cost, and presentation in professional kitchens. Discussions on career prospects broadened their awareness of opportunities in the F&B ecosystem, inspiring several students to consider culinary and food technology careers.

The internship concluded with students sharing their experiences during assembly, reflecting on teamwork, discipline, and creative expression through cooking. Participants were felicitated with certificates, and letters of appreciation were collected to acknowledge the enriching experience.

This immersive internship successfully equipped students with culinary knowledge, hands-on skills, and industry insights, empowering them to explore future careers in the food sector with confidence and enthusiasm.



Health, Safety and Child Protection (HSCP) Practices



Touching Lives: A Transformational Training for Educators

Teachers at Ryan International Academy, Hinjawadi had the privilege of attending an inspiring training session titled “Touching Lives”, conducted by Colonel on 9th October 2025. The session focused on the profound and lasting impact teachers have on their students’ lives, far beyond the classroom.

Drawing on his extensive experience in leadership, discipline, and human values, Colonel delivered a thought-provoking session filled with real-life stories, motivational insights, and interactive discussions. He reminded educators that every word, gesture, and interaction with a student can leave a lasting impression, shaping their confidence, character, and future.

Key takeaways from the session included the importance of empathy and emotional connection in teaching, building trust and rapport with students, leading by example through integrity and consistency, and recognising the lifelong influence of a teacher.

The session left the faculty deeply moved and re-energised, with a renewed sense of purpose and commitment. It served as a powerful reminder that while lessons may fade, the way a teacher makes a student feel is remembered forever.

We extend our sincere thanks to Colonel Kulkarni for sharing his wisdom and inspiring our educators to continue touching lives, one student at a time.





PARENT'S CORNER

Celebrating Traditions, Creating Memories

As a parent at Ryan International Academy, I've seen first-hand how this school is much more than just a place of learning; it's a vibrant umbrella of unity. Each student, teacher, and staff member is a unique panel in this umbrella, bringing their colours, cultures, talents, and voices into a single harmonious whole.

True unity, I believe, isn't about blending into sameness; it's about honouring our differences. Ryan celebrates this beautifully. Our children are growing in an environment that fosters acceptance, creativity, and global thinking. It's inspiring to see how diversity here is not just acknowledged but embraced, making every school day a canvas of new ideas and shared joy.

Just as each segment of an umbrella is essential to keeping it whole, every child here is valued, no one left behind, no voice unheard. Together, they form a strong, supportive canopy where learning thrives and friendships blossom.

As parents, we're proud to open this "Umbrella of Unity" every morning, knowing our children are growing into compassionate, confident individuals who'll carry these values into the wider world. Ryan International Academy isn't just building students, it's shaping citizens of tomorrow.

**- Ms. Nayaab Sharma,
Parent of Daanya Neer Sharma - Grade II 'C'**



Bloom with Colour

This vibrant floral painting by our science teacher, Ms. Priyanka Swami, beautifully captures the liveliness and charm of nature through bold brushstrokes and a playful colour palette. The bright orange flowers set against a cheerful pink background radiate energy, warmth, and positivity, while each petal and leaf is rendered with expressive strokes that convey movement and joy.

Blending modern floral illustration with acrylic painting, the artwork emphasises contrast and composition to create a visually striking piece. The use of flat colours and stylised patterns lends it a contemporary, decorative appeal, making it a perfect addition to any space seeking vibrancy and elegance.

**- Ms. Pooja Sharma,
PRT Teacher**

Upcoming Events

- World Public Transport Day
- Children's Day
- Inter House Quiz Competition
- Constitution Day
- National Milk Day
- Thanksgiving Day

