



From the Principal's Desk

A Celebration of Unity in Diversity: The Festivals of India

India is a land of vibrant traditions and rich cultural heritage, where festivals are celebrated with immense joy and enthusiasm. What makes these festivals truly unique is the way they bring together people from all communities and backgrounds, uniting us in the shared spirit of joy, compassion, and togetherness. Our festivals transcend the boundaries of religion, language, and geography, offering a beautiful example of unity in diversity.

Diwali, the festival of lights, is a perfect example of how we come together to celebrate positivity and hope. While it holds special significance for many, its message of light overcoming darkness resonates with everyone. Homes are decorated with lamps, sweets are exchanged, and families unite to celebrate the triumph of good over evil. It's a time for people from various backgrounds to bond and share in the collective happiness. Similarly, **Eid** marks the end of Ramadan, a month of fasting and reflection. This festival is a time for community and charity. Families and neighbours gather to share festive meals, offer prayers for peace, and exchange wishes. The spirit of generosity is at the heart of Eid, bringing together people of different faiths in a celebration of compassion and goodwill. Holi, the festival of colours, is another occasion that unites people of all walks of life. With its vibrant colours, music, and dance, **Holi** breaks down barriers and creates an atmosphere of equality and togetherness. It is a joyful celebration of life, and people from all communities come together to embrace the joy of the season, celebrate nature's beauty, and foster a sense of shared happiness. In the southern part of India, **Onam** is a harvest festival celebrated with great enthusiasm. People of all backgrounds come

together to mark the return of King Mahabali, enjoying feasts, traditional dances, and floral decorations. Onam, like other festivals, is a reminder that festivals in India are a time to strengthen community bonds, celebrate abundance, and share in the joy of life. Lastly, **Christmas** is celebrated with love and joy across India. While it holds religious significance for Christians, its message of peace, goodwill, and love resonates with everyone. Christmas brings families together, and the spirit of giving, sharing, and kindness creates a sense of unity among people of all backgrounds.

These festivals, though distinct in their traditions, all reflect the values of togetherness, compassion, and harmony. At our school, we embrace these celebrations as an opportunity to learn, share, and grow together as one community.

- Ms. Sripurna Sharma,
Principal, RIA Sarjapur



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Quote of the month

*“We cannot direct the
wind, but we can adjust
the sail.”*

Dolly Parton



Value of the Month

Humility is the value of being modest, respectful, and open to learning. A humble person understands their strengths without feeling superior and accepts mistakes with grace. Humility helps us listen to others, appreciate different viewpoints, and grow as individuals. It encourages kindness, cooperation, and gratitude in everyday life. By being humble, we build stronger relationships and create a positive environment where everyone feels valued and respected.

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World Handwash Day Celebration - Mont I to III

Demonstration of different steps of hand wash

World Handwash Day was observed with great enthusiasm in the Montessori section of Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur to help our young learners understand the importance of staying healthy and clean.

The teachers introduced the concept of proper hand hygiene through simple demonstrations and engaging conversations. Children eagerly participated as they learnt the seven steps of correct handwashing, including rubbing palms, cleaning between fingers, washing the back of hands, and rinsing thoroughly. Each step was practiced slowly to ensure understanding and confidence.

The students also learnt about the benefits of handwashing, such as staying safe from germs, preventing illnesses, and keeping themselves and others healthy. Visual charts, songs, and hands-on practice made the session fun and memorable. The little ones enjoyed washing their hands using soap and running water, proudly showing their newly learned technique.

The celebration successfully encouraged healthy habits and helped children realise that clean hands are the first step to good health.

National Air force Day Mont I to III

Demonstration of different steps of hand wash

National Air Force Day was celebrated with



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great enthusiasm by our Montessori students as they explored the courage, discipline, and dedication of the Indian Air Force.

To make the day meaningful and enjoyable, children participated in a fun and creative **origami jet plane activity**. The teacher introduced them to the role of the Air Force in protecting our skies and keeping our country safe. Students listened with curiosity and excitement as they learned about aircraft, pilots, and the importance of teamwork.

During the hands-on activity, children gently folded colourful paper to create their own jet planes. They followed simple step-by-step instructions, building fine motor skills, focus, and confidence. Once completed, the little ones proudly displayed and flew their origami jets around the classroom, imagining themselves soaring high like real pilots.

The celebration beautifully combined learning, creativity, and patriotism, making it a memorable experience for every Montessori child.

Diwali Celebration Mont I to III

Garland Making

The Diwali celebration in the Montessori section of Ryan International Academy Sarjapur was filled with joy, colour, and festive excitement. The classrooms were beautifully decorated as our little learners came dressed in traditional attire, ready to enjoy the spirit of the festival.

A special highlight of the day was **the garland-making activity** using real flowers, which brought a natural fragrance and



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charm to the celebration. Children worked enthusiastically with marigold and jasmine flowers, creating simple yet beautiful garlands with the guidance of their teachers. This hands-on activity not only helped them explore textures and patterns but also strengthened their fine motor skills and creativity. The students felt proud to present their colourful garlands as a symbol of love and positivity. Teachers also shared the significance of Diwali—spreading light, happiness, and kindness. The day ended with songs, diyas, and smiling faces, making it a truly memorable and meaningful festival for the Montessori children.



Grandparents' Day Celebration - Mont I to III

Handprint Activity

Grandparents' Day was a heart-warming celebration filled with love, joy, and togetherness. Our Montessori students welcomed their grandparents with big smiles and warm hugs. The highlight of the event was **the special handprint activity**, where each child created a colourful handprint along with their grandparent, symbolising the strong bond between generations. Grandparents proudly participated, guiding their little ones and cherishing the moments spent together.

Ryan International Academy also organised a variety of fun games for the grandparents, adding excitement and friendly competition to the celebration. They participated enthusiastically, showcasing their spirit, energy, and love for their grandchildren. The room was filled with laughter, stories, cheers, and happy memories.



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The celebration beautifully honoured the wisdom, care, and affection that grandparents share with their grandchildren. It was a truly memorable day for all.

White Colour Day Celebration - Mont I to III

Paper Tearing, Thumb Printing, Cotton Ball Activity

Ryan School joyfully celebrated White Colour Day to introduce young learners to the beauty, purity, and calmness associated with the colour white. The Montessori section was filled with enthusiasm as children participated in creative, hands-on activities designed to enhance their learning and fine motor skills.

In Mont I, children prepared adorable **polar bears using the paper-tearing technique**. This activity not only helped them recognise the white colour but also supported the development of finger strength, coordination, and creativity. The little ones enjoyed tearing and pasting the pieces to form their polar bear craft.

Students of **Mont II** created beautiful **white flowers through thumb painting**. Dipping their thumbs in white paint, they gently pressed impressions onto the paper to form delicate petals. This sensory activity helped them explore texture while expressing their creativity.

The **Mont III** children made **fluffy sheep using cotton balls**. They carefully arranged the cotton to resemble soft wool, giving shape to their sheep craft. This engaging task encouraged patience, concentration, and imagination.



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The entire celebration created a bright and cheerful atmosphere, making learning enjoyable and meaningful. Children proudly displayed their artwork, making White Colour Day a memorable experience for all.

World Public Transportation Day - Mont I to III

Ryan International Academy Sarjapur, World Public Transport Day was observed to help children understand the importance of safe and sustainable travel.

Students learned about different modes of transport used across the world and how public transport helps reduce traffic and pollution.

As part of the activity, children brought pictures of various vehicles from home and pasted them on a sheet under the correct categories—land, water, and air transport. It also teaches them about road safety, discipline, and responsible travel habits. By promoting public transport, we support a greener future and help make our cities less polluted and more organised.

This day inspires everyone to choose sustainable travel options. This hands-on task helped them identify each vehicle and classify them according to where they move. The activity encouraged awareness about public transport and promoted responsible travel habits among young learners.

Children's Day - Mont I to III

Parade Walk

Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur celebrated Children's Day with great joy and



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enthusiasm. The Montessori students took part in a delightful Dress-Up Parade, which was the theme for this year's celebration. Children came dressed in creative and colourful costumes, representing community helpers, cartoon characters, professionals, and festive outfits. Each child confidently walked in the parade, showcasing their attire with excitement and pride, creating a bright and cheerful atmosphere.

A special cake-cutting ceremony was conducted by Principal, adding sweetness to the celebration.

Bunny and Teddy Bear mascots distributed chocolates to the children, making the day even more exciting. Students thoroughly enjoyed every moment.

Teachers encouraged every child and ensured the day was filled with fun, appreciation, and happy memories. The celebration truly highlighted the spirit, joy, and innocence of childhood.

Rapsody - Literary Fest Mont I to III

Rhyme and Rhythm Fiesta, Once Upon a Rhyme, Tiny Tale Express

The Literacy Fest at Ryan International Academy, Sarjapur was celebrated with great enthusiasm and showcased the growing literacy skills of the Montessori students.

Mont I presented the **“Rhyme and Rhythm Fiesta,”** where children performed their favourite rhymes with confidence and expressive actions.



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Mont II presented **“Once Upon a Rhyme,”** blending storytelling and rhyme recitation that highlighted their creativity and comprehension.

Mont III presented **“Tiny Tale Express,”** where students narrated short stories using props and expressive speech.

The fest provided a wonderful platform for children to build confidence, enhance vocabulary, and enjoy the world of stories and rhymes. It was a joyful and memorable event.

Pink Day Celebration Mont I to III

Handprint Cranes, Cupcakes Using Paper-tearing, Bookmarks

Pink Day was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm in the Montessori section, filling the classrooms with shades of love, warmth, and happiness. Children and teachers came dressed in beautiful pink outfits, creating a cheerful and vibrant atmosphere. Each level engaged in a creative activity that highlighted the colour pink in a fun and meaningful way.

Mont I students prepared lovely handprint cranes, using pink paint to create adorable artwork that showcased their little hands and growing imagination.

Mont II students enjoyed making colourful cupcakes using paper-tearing, which helped develop their fine motor skills while allowing them to express creativity through textures and shapes.

Mont III students created attractive



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bookmarks, decorating them with pink elements and personal touches. These activities not only strengthened their artistic skills but also helped them recognise and appreciate the colour pink. The day ended with happy smiles and beautifully crafted creations by the children.



Physical Education

Balance Your Body

The Balance Your Body activity at Ryan International Academy was an exciting and engaging session for our Montessori students. The activity was designed to help children understand the importance of body balance, coordination, and stability through fun and interactive movements. Students participated in simple exercises such as standing on one foot, walking on a straight line, balancing a beanbag on their head, and moving carefully through small obstacle paths. These enjoyable tasks encouraged children to focus, control their movements, and strengthen their core muscles.

The activity also helped enhance their concentration, confidence, and gross motor skills. Teachers guided the students with cheerful instructions, making the session lively and motivating. Children were thrilled to try new balancing challenges and celebrated their achievements with smiles and claps. Overall, the Balance Your Body activity was a wonderful learning experience that supported the physical development and body awareness of our young Montessori learners.



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Missing Number Using Grid - Mont III 'B'

The Montessori students engaged in a “Missing Numbers 0-50” activity using a number grid, which helped them clearly understand number order and sequencing. With the support of the grid, children identified skipped numbers and filled them in confidently.

Learning Experiences:

This structured layout enabled them to visualise patterns, recognise numerical relationships, and strengthen place value concepts. The activity encouraged focus, logical thinking, and independent problem-solving. As they completed the grid, the learners improved their number recognition and became more comfortable working with a wider range of numbers.

Overall, the activity provided a joyful and effective way to build foundational numeracy skills.

Meaningful Morning Assembly

The Montessori students of Ryan International Academy participated in a well-organised and meaningful morning assembly that helped them build confidence, discipline, and communication skills. The little learners began the assembly with the Lord's Prayer, followed by a Scripture Reading that encouraged them to reflect on good values. They also offered a Special Prayer, seeking blessings for their parents, teachers, and school community.

The children confidently recited beautiful rhymes and sang patriotic songs, showcasing their love for the nation. They



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then took the National Pledge along with the Ryan Pledge, demonstrating respect, unity, and responsibility. The young students also melodiously presented the Ryan Anthem, which filled everyone with pride.

The assembly concluded with the respectful singing of the National Anthem. Overall, the Montessori assembly was a joyful and enriching experience that helped children develop confidence, faith, and a sense of belonging to the school community.



INNOVATION LAB

Shadow Formation and Festive Card with LED Mont III

The Montessori III learners engaged in two exciting activities: Shadow Formation and Festive Card with LED. In the shadow formation activity, children explored how light interacts with different objects to create shadows. They experimented by moving the objects closer and farther from the light source and observed how the shape and size of the shadow changed. This hands-on experience helped them understand basic science concepts while encouraging curiosity, observation, and imaginative thinking as they created different shadow shapes and stories.



In the festive card with LED activity, children designed and decorated their own greeting cards and learned how to make them glow using a small LED and a battery. While working on their cards, they were introduced to the idea of simple electrical circuits and discovered how connecting components correctly makes the light turn on. This activity helped them develop fine motor skills, creativity, and problem-solving abilities as they assembled the card and ensured the LED worked successfully.

Overall, both activities helped the children expand their creativity, scientific thinking, and hands-on learning skills. They enjoyed experimenting, creating, and understanding new concepts in a joyful and age-appropriate way.



STAR OF THE WEEK

The **Star of the Week** Week is a wonderful initiative at Ryan International Academy, celebrating the unique qualities and achievements of our students from Montessori I to Grade IV. Each week, one child from every class is chosen as the "Star," a special recognition that fosters confidence and a sense of community.

The chosen student's parents are invited to the classroom to have an engaging interaction with the students, where they share heartwarming stories and talk about their child's personality, hobbies, and strengths. This interaction not only makes the star student feel special but also helps build a strong connection between the parents, teachers, and the rest of the class.

To make the experience even more memorable, each Star of the Week receives a personalized poster to fill out. The child proudly pastes their picture and shares their favourite things, from their cherished colour and food to their preferred sport and dream travel destination. This colourful and creative poster is then displayed outside the classroom for the entire week, allowing the whole school to celebrate and get to know our shining star a little better. It's a truly heartwarming concept that highlights the individuality of each child.





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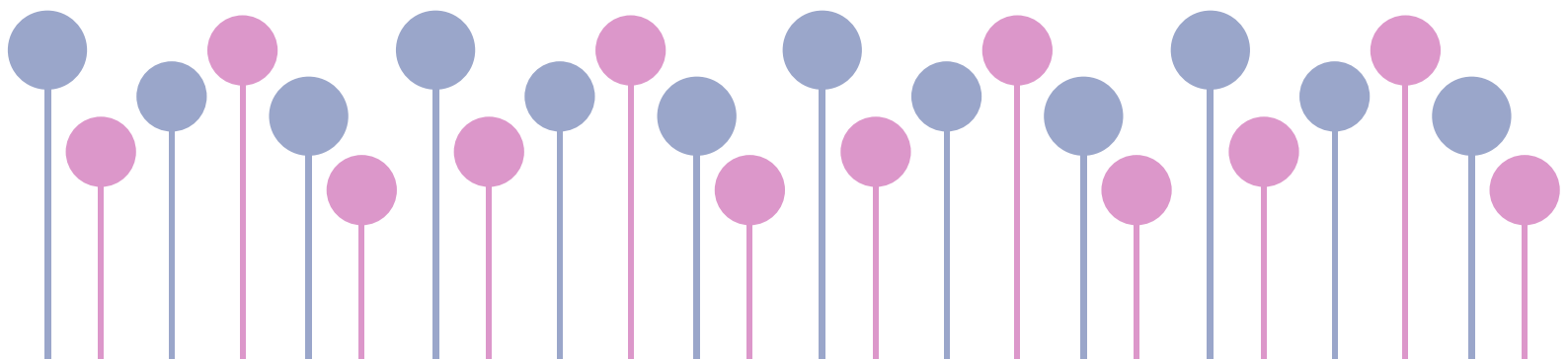
As parents, we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to the entire school and teachers for the wonderful role you have played in my child's overall growth.

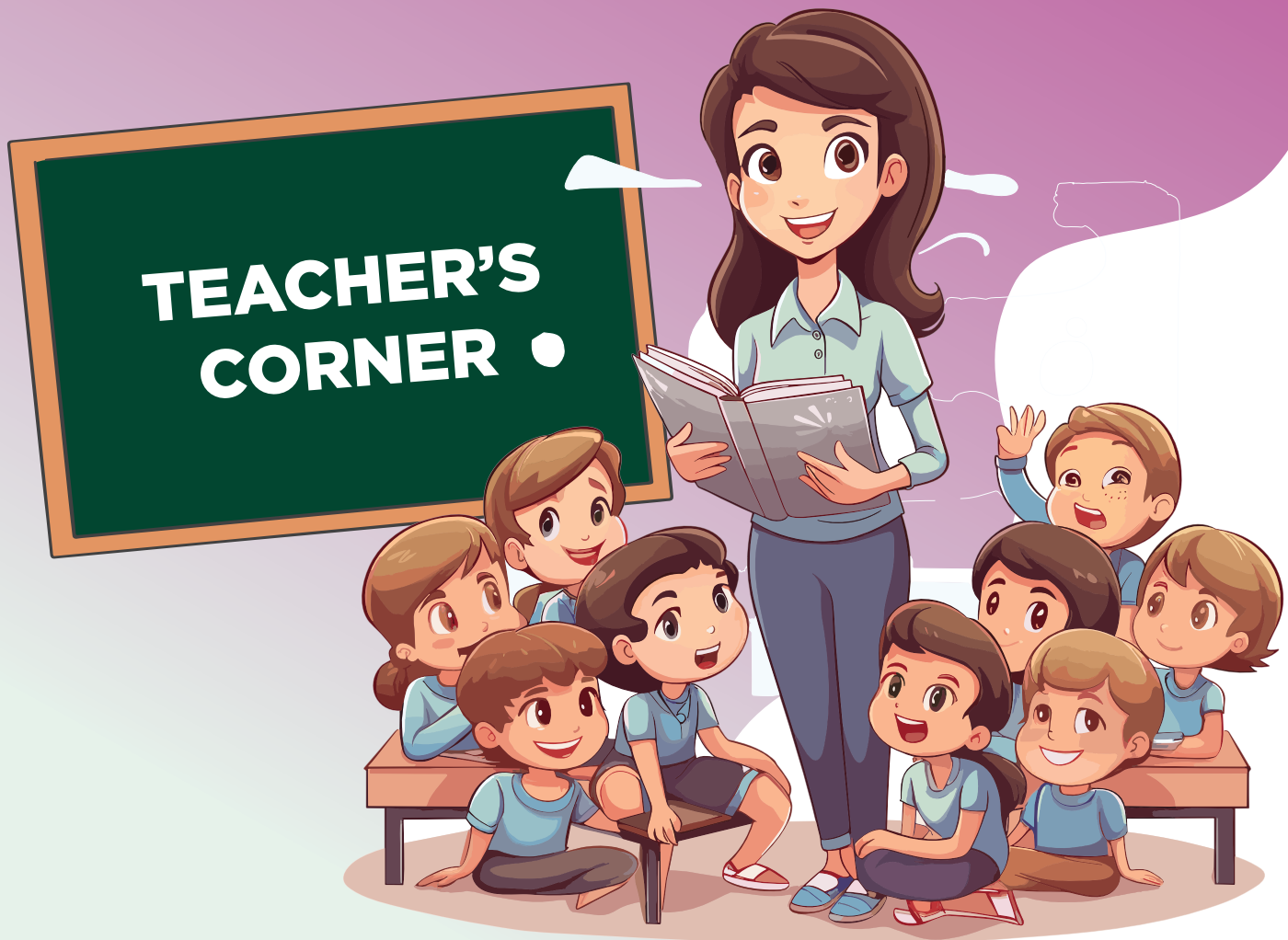
Over the past year, I have seen my little one become more confident, curious, and joyful about learning — and that is all because of your patience, care, and dedication. The teachers have not only helped my child learn new things but also taught important values like kindness, sharing, and respect.

She absolutely loves her science class, enjoys playing sports in school and even her assembly gathering which she keeps telling me about at home.

I truly appreciate the love and encouragement you give every day. Thank you for making school a happy and nurturing place for my child.

**- Ms. Debjani Bhattacharjee,
Parent of Disha Kumari - Mont III 'B'**





Ryan International Academy represents a dynamic and student-centred educational environment where the focus is on holistic development and 21st-century learning. Many educators appreciate the opportunity to help students grow beyond academics through creative projects, interactive lessons, and extracurricular activities. The school's emphasis on modern teaching practices and nurturing young minds allows teachers to refine their skills and contribute meaningfully to each child's journey. Some staff find the work rewarding as they witness confident, curious learners flourish under guided support.

- Ms. Somdatta Chakrabortee,
Mont III 'B'

Upcoming Event

- Sports Day
- International Mountain Day
- Purple Colour Day
- Christmas Celebration

