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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Learning Showcase

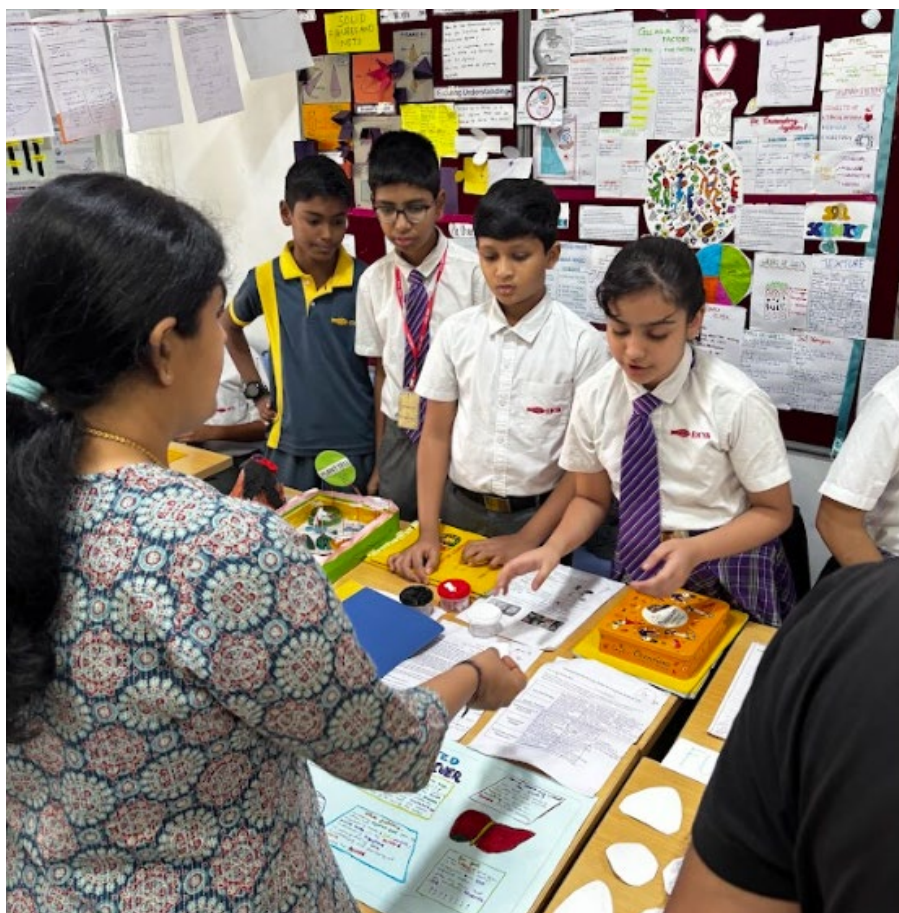
On March 1st, we hosted a vibrant **Learning Showcase** at Ekya, where students had the chance to present the diverse learning areas they've been exploring to their parents. The event was a wonderful celebration of the children's achievements, featuring performances from various school clubs and a **Wrap Around Showcase** that highlighted the essence of their activities. Students were excited to demonstrate what they've been working on, providing a unique opportunity for parents to engage with their child's progress firsthand. The day was filled with energy, pride, and a sense of shared accomplishment as families came together to celebrate the students' hard work and growth. The Learning Showcase not only showcased the students' talents and knowledge but also reinforced the importance of community, as parents and teachers united in celebrating the children's learning journey. It was truly a day to remember, filled with joy and mutual appreciation.



Early Years Graduation Day:

The Early Years Graduation Day was an emotional and joyful occasion, highlighting the incredible growth of the children. Their musical performance, which included three charming songs, brought immense joy and pride to all present. **Dr K C Ramamurthy** sir honoured the event as the chief guest, presenting certificates to the young graduates, which made the day even more special. This was followed by the **Learning Showcase**, where parents were able to witness their children's achievements and progress first hand. The feedback from parents was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing their pride and appreciation. The event was a beautiful celebration of the children's journey, filled with love, joy, and a sense of accomplishment. It marked a significant moment in their educational journey, filled with new beginnings and memorable milestones. The day will undoubtedly remain in the hearts of everyone who participated.

CULTURE ON CAMPUS



Word Wall

At Ekya, we believe in making learning an engaging and visible experience for our students. One way we achieve this is through our **Word Wall**, strategically placed near the chalkboard. This board serves as a dynamic learning tool, displaying all the words learned during the lesson. As new words are introduced, they are added to the wall, allowing students to see their progress throughout the course. The Word Wall is more than just a collection of vocabulary—it's a visual representation of the student's learning journey. This approach not only reinforces the words in a memorable way but also encourages independent learning, as students are continuously exposed to and can refer back to the words they've encountered. By making learning visible, we empower students to take ownership of their educational experience, creating a space that fosters both growth and confidence.



LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

The **Student Development Program** at EKYA Schools is designed to enable students in their journey of self-discovery, well-being, community and service to discover a world of possibilities.

This report highlights the key initiatives and their impact on our student community.



Final Year Retreats

We are thrilled to announce the **final-year retreats** for our graduating students! These retreats are designed to provide a meaningful pause before they step into the next phase of their lives, offering space for deep reflection, personal growth, and lasting memories with their peers.

This year, students will embark on transformative journeys to breathtaking destinations such as **Kabini, Nagarhole, Coorg, and Bandipur**—places rich in natural beauty and learning opportunities. Amidst serene landscapes, they will engage in reflective journaling, guided discussions, and immersive experiences that foster self-awareness and mindfulness. Surrounded by nature, they will also explore the delicate balance of ecosystems, drawing inspiration and wisdom from the world around them.

Through these retreats, we hope to cultivate a sense of gratitude, purpose, and connection, ensuring that students leave not only with cherished experiences but also with valuable insights that will guide them in their future endeavors.



Work Exposure Program

As part of the **Work Exposure Program at Ekya**, we are excited for our students to step into professional environments and gain firsthand experience of the working world. This program is designed to help them understand workplace dynamics, develop essential skills, and prepare for their future careers.

Our students have been placed in various organisations, where they will be exposed to key professional skills such as **project management, communication, time management, problem-solving, and critical thinking**. Having successfully completed their interviews, they are now eagerly preparing for their onboarding, which is set to take place in the first week of April. This marks the beginning of an enriching journey where they will learn, contribute, and grow in real-world work settings.

Alumni Engagement

We are thrilled to announce our alumni engagement initiative for the year 2025-26, "**Legacy of Ekya.**" This initiative is designed to strengthen the bond between our alumni and their alma mater, creating a thriving network of collaboration, mentorship, and shared growth.

With a host of exciting new initiatives, **Legacy of Ekya** will provide alumni with opportunities to stay connected with the school while actively contributing to the student community. From leading clubs and conducting workshops to offering mentorship and career guidance, our alumni will play a key role in shaping the experiences of current students.

We are excited to officially launch this initiative in April and look forward to fostering a vibrant and engaged alumni network that continues to inspire and support future generations at Ekya!



Summer Camps

Our much-awaited Summer Camps are set to begin in the first week of April, and we have an exciting lineup of activities planned! Designed around the themes of **Mind, Body, and Soul**, these camps offer a perfect blend of learning, creativity, and fun.

Students will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of engaging activities, including **Puppetry, Music & Dance, Lego Robotics & Coding, Martial Arts, Pottery and much more.** Each activity is carefully curated to foster creativity, critical thinking, and physical well-being, ensuring an enriching and enjoyable experience for all participants.

With something for everyone, this summer promises to be a time of discovery, growth, and unforgettable memories!

WELL-BEING



As exams are underway, the Well-being Department has been focusing on supporting parent well-being to ultimately enhance student well-being. In March, we hosted three insightful sessions for parents, designed to provide valuable tools and guidance for supporting their children's emotional and developmental needs.

The first session, **"Parenting Teenagers and Understanding the Challenges of Adolescents"**, was led by **Ms. Anurama Suresh**, founder of **Sreehi Consulting Services**. This session was specifically tailored for parents of middle and senior school students and addressed the unique challenges of raising teenagers. It provided parents with strategies to foster healthy relationships and navigate this critical phase of their child's development.

We also conducted an online session for Parents of Montessori and Primary students, focusing on **"Managing Tantrums and Hyperactivity"**. This session, led by **Ms. Deepti** and **Ms. Aruna** from the **"Happy Toddler Hub,"** offered practical strategies for managing tantrums and hyperactivity, helping parents better understand and address these common challenges with confidence.

Lastly, we hosted a counsellor-led session on **"Addressing Age-Specific Behavioural Challenges"** for our Montessori parents. This session provided valuable insights into effective communication and behavioural management techniques, tailored to the specific needs of Montessori-aged children.

We believe that supporting parents in these ways plays a key role in enhancing the overall well-being of our students.

A Different Conversation About Cancer

As a **parent first** and an **oncologist second**, I bring a unique perspective to our conversation as I puts our families at the heart of every discussion. That's what makes this conversation different.

Parents Supporting Parents

We'll approach cancer awareness through the lens of family strength and resilience, sharing practical wisdom that only parents understand.

Focus on Hope and Action

Instead of dwelling on statistics, we'll explore how families can empower themselves through knowledge and community support.

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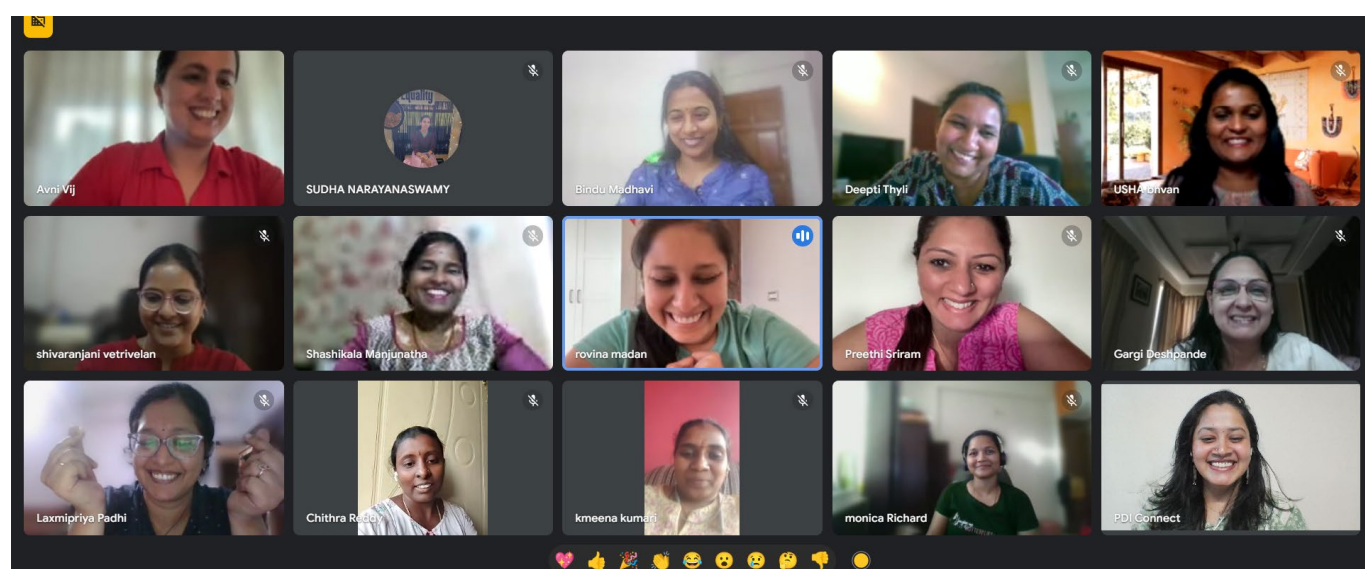
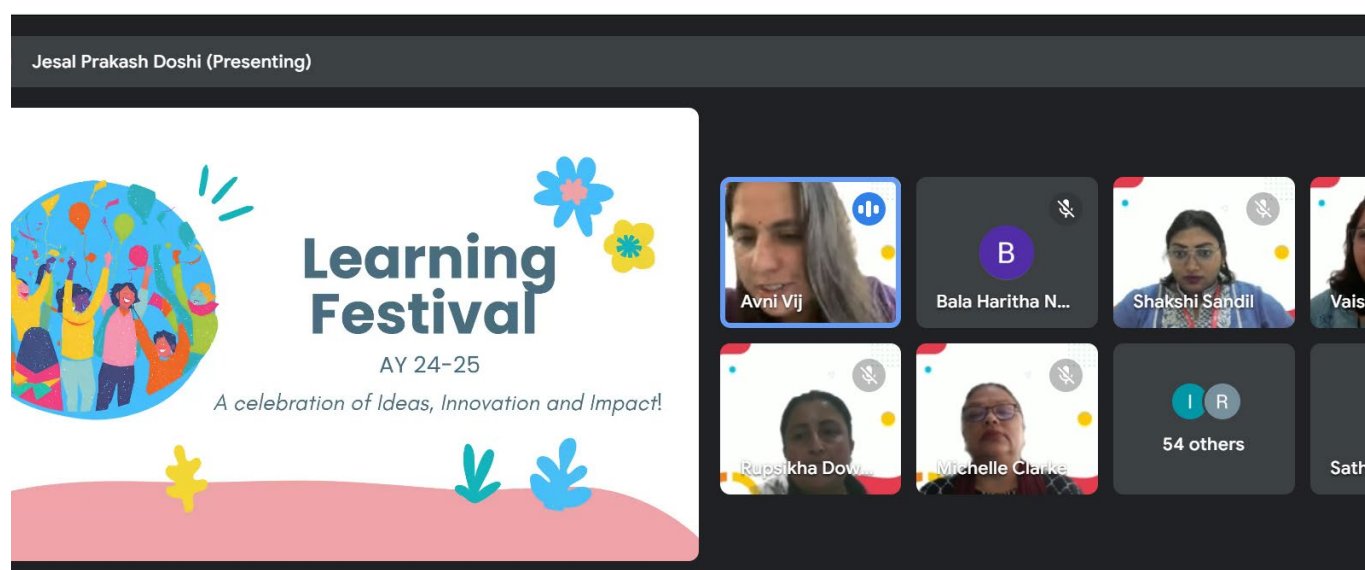
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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- The Professional Development team conducted the **Learning Festival**, an annual celebration of teaching and learning. The Learning Festival served as a platform to showcase the best practices of our educators. This year, the festival was conducted virtually on 21 March 2025, in which **14 educators from CMR and Ekya schools** presented their innovative practices across four impactful themes. It was a true reflection of the creativity, passion, and dedication that define our learning community.
- We have successfully completed the fifth cohort of the **ReThink Educator Certification Program** for the external stakeholders. Apart from this, we have also launched two cohorts for our newly recruited educators who will be in service across our campuses from June onwards. This initiative is to keep up with our goal of equipping our educators with the knowledge, mindsets, and skills of a progressive educator, helping them develop a broader perspective on education as they step into the Ekya ecosystem.
- Ekya PDI is proud to have initiated a comprehensive **Post-Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education** in association with CMR University that will equip educators and those aspiring to become one with specialised skills in nurturing young learners, focusing on child development, inclusive education, and play-based learning. It is a one-year program, open to anybody interested in becoming an early years educator.



LEARNING & INSIGHTS

Objective: The objective of this group project is to collaboratively create a Three-dimensional structure based on a theme. This collaborative project aims to foster **teamwork, creativity, and problem-solving skills** while exploring the possibilities of three-dimensional art and design. The project enables students to design, develop & bring their ideas to life through the use of everyday objects & materials.



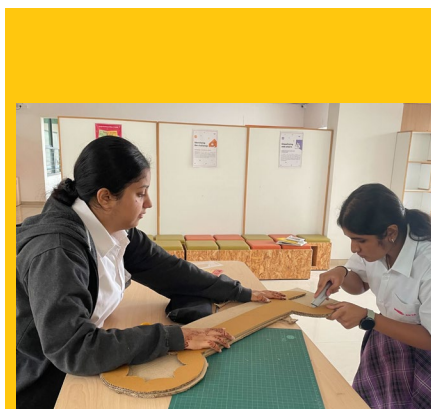
"Every one of us is a maker", & our students are the perfect example of that. Give them the space to create & we will see wonders born out of the mundane. They display the true essence of collaboration & teamwork.



Through this project, students became designers & creators. They envisioned ideas ranging from simple to complex. They brainstormed & ideated, they worked to realise the idea & bring it to fruition in 3 dimensions. As a team, they came together, held responsibilities & owned up to their deliverables.



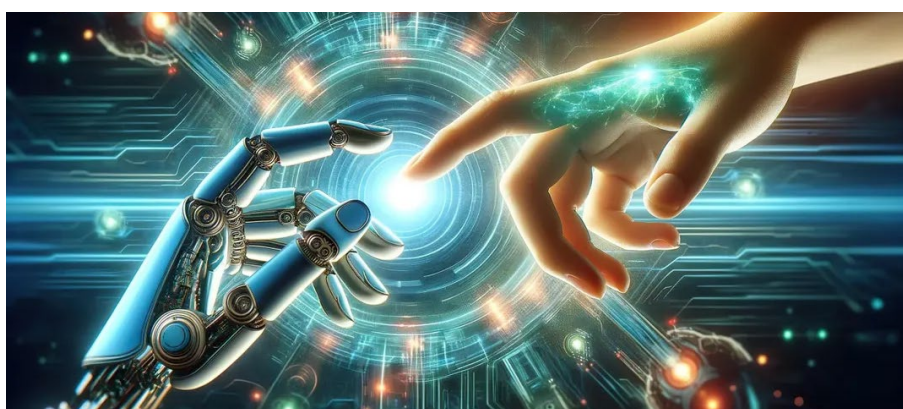
With immense enthusiasm & originality, every team brought to the table a diverse set of ideas. They were able to convey the essence of their idea & convince the facilitator to help them proceed with it. They have dexterously handled the tools & materials available in the makery, There were no special materials involved in making.



Proving that generating ideas & engineering materials to realise the ideas is a very innate quality & everyone can create what we envision. Our students demonstrate craftsmanship, a clear connection between thoughts & action, ability to translate two-dimensional design to a three-dimensional model. They show a thorough understanding of concepts like scaling, detailing & mechanics.

1. Mystery Shack
2. Cafe Milkyway
3. Yin & Yang
4. Mast Express
5. Spectrum Aslant

STUDENT EDGE



The Power of AI

AI is about to change everything, and it's going to be wild. Think about healthcare for a second. With AI on the scene, doctors can get early warnings about diseases and figure out the best treatments way faster. This means you'll get better care, and doctors can focus on the serious stuff without being buried in paperwork. Then there's the way we get around. Self-driving cars are coming, and they'll make roads safer and less crowded. Plus, they'll help cut down on pollution. Imagine your car driving itself while you chill out or catch up on your favorite shows. And if cities get smart with AI, our daily commutes will become a whole lot smoother. In schools, AI can tailor lessons to fit each student's learning style. So, whether you're a math whiz or need extra help with history, AI can make sure you get the education you need at your own speed. This could make learning more fun and fair for everyone.

When it comes to work, AI will take over boring tasks and let humans focus on the exciting stuff. Sure, some jobs might disappear, but new ones will pop up too, especially in tech and AI-related fields. Plus, AI can help us think outside the box with creative projects, from making art to writing music. But it's not all rainbows and robots. We've got to think about the ethical side of things, like privacy and fairness. It's important to make sure AI is used responsibly and benefits everyone. In short, AI has the potential to make our lives better in so many ways. We just need to navigate the changes thoughtfully, work together to make the future bright, and embrace the exciting possibilities that lie ahead.



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The Power of Peer Conversation in Teacher Well-Being

A problem shared is a problem halved, and a joy shared is a joy doubled!

At Ekya, we teachers live by this philosophy. Every session begins with **"Good Things"**, where students share their little joys and victories. They also feel comfortable sharing their challenges. This practice fosters a strong sense of connection and well-being among students and strengthens their bond with teachers. If it works so well for students, why not extend this practice to teachers too?

Educators often juggle numerous responsibilities, from managing classrooms and supporting student growth to planning lessons, maintaining documentation, continuously adapting to new teaching strategies – and the list goes on.

While professional training equips us with theoretical knowledge, peer conversations offer something equally valuable: real-world insights, emotional support, and collaborative growth.

Engaging in reflective conversations with fellow educators promotes well-being and continuous learning.

Peer conversations matter because they:

- **Create opportunities to exchange effective strategies and insights.**
- **Provide a non-judgmental space for sharing challenges, promoting understanding and easing stress.**
- **Offer diverse perspectives, encouraging innovative teaching.**
- **Strengthen professional growth through shared experiences and learning approaches.**

Need a conversation starter? Here are some prompts to get the dialogue flowing:

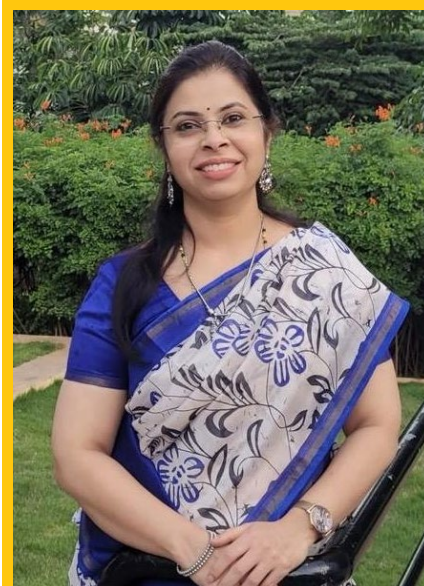
- **What's something new you tried in your classroom this week? How did it go?**



- **How are you managing your workload? Do you have any tips for time management?**
- **Have you faced any challenges in balancing your personal and professional life? How did you handle them?**
- **What strategies have helped you maintain your motivation and passion for teaching?**

Reflective peer conversations are not just about discussing challenges. They are also about celebrating growth, learning from one another, and building a connected community of support.

So take that first step – start a conversation, share your story, and experience the strength and joy of a thriving teaching community!



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