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Dear Readers,

Vidya Vikas Academy provides opportunities for every student to develop their talents and skills through the many programmes, activities and events conducted intra-school, inter-school at the taluka, district, state and national level. Our efforts and commitment is directed towards creating, responsible, caring and happy citizens who will make a contribution to society. We thank our School Managing Committee, the Board of Management and our staff for encouraging a holistic education and congratulate all our students for their participation and achievements.

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February 05, 2026

WISHING YOU GOOD LUCK, CLASS 10!

In a calm and reflective atmosphere, the Class 10 batch of 2025-26 was honoured in a heartfelt ceremony to extend good wishes and luck.

The occasion began on a solemn note, followed by an inspiring address by the Principal that encouraged students to dream boldly and pursue their goals with dedication and integrity. Artistic expressions by the junior students added warmth and vibrancy, while messages from student leaders and faculty members conveyed pride, gratitude, and heartfelt good wishes.

Moments of guidance, gratitude and joy made the celebration meaningful and uplifting which renewed confidence for their journey ahead.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Farheen Khan



February 06, 2026

STEPS IN THE SAND

Exciting beach sports activities were organised for the students of Vidya Vikas Academy to encourage physical activity, teamwork, and positive interaction in an open and refreshing outdoor setting. The idea was to combine play with learning and help students enjoy being active while working together in a relaxed beach environment.

The shoreline came alive with cheerful energy as students participated in games such as Filling the Bottle, Octopus Race, and Ball Tussle. Each activity required coordination, cooperation, and quick thinking. Teachers guided and encouraged the



students throughout, keeping the mood lively and supportive. A short refreshment break and a fun sandcastle-building session added to the overall enjoyment.

The activities helped students stay active, build stronger bonds with their peers, and enjoy healthy play. The day ended with happy faces, shared laughter, and memorable moments by the beach.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Balika Faldesai, Tr. Sonia Naik, Sir Ashutosh Chari and Class Teachers

February 06, 2026

UNLOCKING WORLDS THROUGH BOOKS

“Unlocking Worlds Through books” was held at VVA School Library for the students so that the students could browse through wide range of books as per their interest across different genres and age group.

The exhibition was officially inaugurated by the Principal in the presence of Vice-Principals, along with the librarians. The collection included books catering to various age groups and interests, with students showing a keen interest in fiction.

The programme, witnessed active participation from students and parents promoting reading, independent learning and literary awareness.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Archana Pednekar and Tr. Nutan Naik



February 12, 2026

JUSTICE BEYOND WORDS: A CALL TO CONSCIENCE

The observance of World Day of Social Justice was conducted to awaken young minds to the values of equity, human rights, and inclusive development within a diverse society.

The programme was marked by a deeply moving skit, a reflective poem, an engaging quiz on social justice principles, and a soulful song, each reinforcing the ideals of fairness, dignity, and empathy.

The message that resonated strongly was that justice is not merely an ideal to admire, but a responsibility to practise every single day through empathy, integrity, and responsible citizenship.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Farheen Khan



February 18, 2026

LEARNING WITH NATURE

The Life Skills Resource Room Students were taken on an educational excursion to a well maintained botanical garden located in Loutolim. The trip was carefully planned and all necessary safety measures were taken to ensure that the students were safe and well cared for throughout the day.

During the visit, the students actively participated in various games and fun activities organized by the teachers. The excursion provided valuable learning experiences, where students gained knowledge about plants, trees, birds, sea animals, cleanliness and the importance of protecting nature. They were also encouraged to practice important life skills such as sharing, turn-taking, teamwork and cooperation.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the bus ride to and from the location. They sang songs, shared happy moments with their friends, making the journey lively and an enjoyable experience outside the classroom while ensuring their safety and well-being.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Savia Gomes and Tr. Tanula Cota



February 19, 2026

BRAINY BRAWL

Brainy Brawl was designed to promote active participation, critical engagement, and a spirit of healthy competition among students. Learners demonstrated enthusiasm and eagerness throughout the activity, reflecting strong interest in intellectually stimulating challenges. The event created an encouraging environment that supported skill development, confidence building, and collaborative learning. The activity provided students with a meaningful and enjoyable learning experience that fostered higher - order thinking.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Calorina Rodrigues and Tr. Sunanda Rebello

February 21, 2026

EXTEMPORE IMPROMPTU

Extempore Impromptu provided the students a platform to express their thoughts while promoting critical and quick thinking. It encouraged participants to articulate their thoughts spontaneously, strengthening clarity of speech and the ability to organise ideas within limited time.

Students participated with great enthusiasm, readily accepting the challenge of speaking on topics assigned to them on the spot. The event witnessed an engaging display of confidence, creativity, and presence of mind as participants shared their perspectives with poise.

The experience contributed to the development of communication skills and enhanced self-assurance among learners. It also fostered attentive listening and respectful appreciation, leaving students better prepared to express themselves in varied academic and social settings.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Melifa Andrade and Tr. Jeria Coutinho



February 23, 2026

SCIENCE ODYSSEY

As part of National Science Day, Science Odyssey aimed to spark curiosity, nurture scientific temper, and connect classroom learning with everyday life. The focus was on creating joyful, hands-on experiences that encouraged questioning, observation, and simple problem-solving among young learners while highlighting the relevance of science in daily contexts.

The celebration included a brief orientation on the significance of the day, followed by engaging quizzes, simple experiment demonstrations, and creative model-making. Across classes, students observed, predicted, tested, and concluded like young scientists, working in teams and exploring fascinating outcomes using everyday materials.

The event concluded on an inspiring note, leaving students with meaningful learning experiences and enhanced scientific awareness.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Michelle Mascarenhas and Tr. Joella Leitao



February 27, 2026

WONDERLAB CELEBRATION

The WonderLab celebration, held on 27th February 2026, aimed to spark curiosity and develop a scientific temper among children by introducing them to simple, child-friendly experiments. The activity provided an engaging platform for young learners to observe, explore, and discover basic scientific concepts in a fun and meaningful way.

The event was filled with excitement as children eagerly watched teachers conduct a variety of interactive experiments. These demonstrations were presented in an engaging and captivating manner, creating a magical learning experience that sparked wonder



and enthusiasm among the children. Their curious expressions and active participation truly reflected the spirit of exploration.

The celebration encouraged creativity, observation skills, and hands on learning among the young learners. Through experiment -based craft activities and experiential tasks, children reinforced their understanding while joyfully expressing themselves through creative exploration.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Fatima Diniz

February 28, 2026

CHAMPIONS BEYOND LIMITS

Students of Vidya Vikas Academy participated in a flagship tournament organised by Special Olympics, Bharat and UDAAN at the Sports facilities of BITS Pilani, Goa Campus on 28th February, 2026 to highlight the importance of physical fitness and wholehearted participation in sports events.

Our students participated in the 100 Metres Run, 50 Metres and Soft Ball Throw and scored remarkably. The athletes were awarded with medals and certificates of merit.

The students learnt to line up for the events, wait for their turn, cheer for the other participants, follow instructions and interact with students of other schools.

Co-ordinators: Tr. Savia Gomes and Tr. Tanula Cotta



SENIOR SECONDARY SECTION

February 02, 2026

EXPLORING THE ENERGY OF THE FUTURE

Students of the Senior secondary section were given a valuable opportunity to explore the world of nuclear energy through an educational visit to the Kaiga Nuclear Power Plant, gaining firsthand exposure to advanced power systems and real-world applications of classroom learning.

The visit began with an engaging session by a lead engineer, who explained reactor principles, safety measures, and the process of nuclear power generation. This was followed by a guided tour of key operational areas of the plant. A special highlight was the Operation Control Room Simulator, where students observed how plant operations and safety systems are monitored and controlled.

The experience proved to be highly enriching, strengthening students' scientific understanding and sparking greater interest in the fields of energy and engineering.

Co-ordinator: Sir Sayed Mohamed H.



February 02, 2026

BRIDGING CULTURES, CONNECTING CONTINENTS: ONE GLOBAL CLASSROOM

Students of Vidya Vikas Academy stepped into a global classroom as they enthusiastically participated in a lively cultural exchange with students from Egypt. The interactive event, "Connecting Classrooms Across Continents: Learning Beyond Borders", was a celebration of curiosity, connection, and cultural pride, designed to spark global

awareness through meaningful student-to-student interaction.

The session buzzed with excitement as students exchanged fun and fascinating facts about their countries, exploring capitals, currencies, and mouth-watering local cuisines. The conversations soon expanded to everyday life, with students sharing snapshots of their cities—famous landmarks, health and hygiene, natural remedies with local drinks and personal experiences—bringing each culture vividly to life.

The virtual exchange left students inspired, informed, and eager to explore the world beyond their classrooms.

Co-ordinators: Cultural Exchange Programme Committee



February 10, 2026

AWARENESS MATTERS - BEYOND THE RIBBON

The students of Vidya Vikas Academy observed “Awareness Matters”- Beyond the Ribbon creating awareness about cancer, its early detection, and the importance of informed health choices, educating students about the growing impact of cancer on society and to encourage a responsible and empathetic outlook towards health-related issues.

As part of this awareness initiative, a respected resource person, Dr Suraj Prabhudessai shared his valuable insights on cancer types, symptoms, myths versus facts, and the significance of early diagnosis where the students learned about modern advancements in treatment, real-life case experiences, and the role of community participation in spreading awareness.

The assembly not only deepened students’ understanding of cancer but also encouraged them to adopt proactive health practices and support awareness campaigns. The event inspired them to become more responsible citizens and to contribute to a healthier, informed society.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Reema Dalal



February 10, 2026

EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS WITH AI

As part of Vidnyan Dhara 2026, an informative session on Edge AI was conducted for students. The session was delivered by Dr. Razia Furtado aiming to introduce students to emerging technologies and their real-world applications

The resource person explained the concept of Edge Artificial Intelligence in a simple and engaging way on how AI works in everyday devices and its growing importance in various industries. The session encouraged students to think about technological advancements, innovation, and future career opportunities in the field of science and technology.

The programme created awareness about cutting-edge technologies and inspired students to explore the evolving world of AI beyond their classroom learning.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Shaheena Basha

February 13, 2026

CELEBRATING THE SPIRIT OF SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY

The institution hosted an engaging celebration dedicated to the power of scientific thinking and discovery. The programme aimed to nurture curiosity and strengthen conceptual understanding through a series of live physics demonstrations.

Core principles from mechanics, rotational motion, thermodynamics, electricity, magnetism, optics, and wave

phenomena were brought to life in an interactive format that encouraged students to predict, observe, and analyse outcomes.

Each experiment transformed textbook theory into visible reality, making complex ideas accessible and impactful. The session emphasized logical reasoning, observation, and questioning as essential components of scientific learning.

It inspired students to think critically, remain curious, and appreciate the fundamental laws that shape the world around them.

Co-ordinator: Sir Agnelo D'souza



February 13, 2026

A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN IN STEM: A JOURNEY FROM VISION TO DISCOVERY

Students of Vidya Vikas Academy observed, 'A Celebration of Women in STEM: A Journey from Vision to Discovery' honouring the spirit of curiosity, innovation, and achievement among women in science, promote gender equality in science and inspire students especially girls

The assembly emphasized the significance of the day, offered insights into the theme and featured a meaningful mime performance. An inspiring address by the resource person, Dr. Siddhi Jalmi emphasized perseverance, innovation, and the importance of inclusive opportunities in scientific fields.

Students gained a deeper understanding of the importance of inclusion in STEM and were encouraged to transform their curiosity into meaningful action for a progressive future.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Pooja Desai



STEAM LAB/ATL SECTION

February 25, 2026

CURIOUS MINDS AT WORK

The STEAM approach encouraged students to explore scientific and engineering concepts through engaging, hands-on experiences.

The Clay Modelling activity helped students understand shape, structure and balance while creating imaginative models.

Through 3D Pen Art, students transformed ideas into colorful three-dimensional creations with precision and control.

Students used digital tools to build and refine virtual models during 3D Designing sessions.

The month concluded with improved problem-solving abilities and growing confidence in innovation. Students showed greater enthusiasm and deeper engagement in STEAM learning.

Co-ordinator: Tr. Ankita Raikar



February 01, 2026

WHERE CURIOSITY SPARKS INNOVATION

The month of February provided students with enriching exposure to emerging technologies through hands-on learning in 3D slicing, Raspberry Pi basics, and the Idea-to-Product timeline.

Students learned to optimize 3D models for printing and prototyping, while gaining foundational knowledge of Raspberry Pi, including basic hardware components, setup, and simple applications.

Learners also generated innovative ideas and prepared presentations to pitch their concepts, strengthening their communication skills and creative thinking.

By following the Idea-to-Product timeline, students moved from concept to prototype, developing problem-solving skills and gaining insights into technology, design, and entrepreneurship, preparing them for future innovation challenges.

Co-ordinator: Sir Sayed Mohamed H.



Centre of Excellence

A unique opportunity for students to pursue their talents and interest in school, after school hours. Highly qualified coaches will conduct classes for Gymnastics, Table tennis, Basketball, Chess, Skating, Guitar, Drums and Keyboard.

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