



# THE BULLETIN 2025

# CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



The open house workshop on 'My Dream Aeroplane' was held on March 22, 2025. It was a delightfully fun and engaging exercise, conducted by **Dr. Bhumija**, our in house facilitator, who guided and assisted the children and parents on how they could create their very own aeroplane model with different types of materials. The kids, as well as their parents, were thrilled to try their hand at making their own aeroplane. **Dr. Bhumija** also delved into the history of the Wright Brothers' innovation, making it an informative session for all. It was a fun morning with paper planes taking flight on the school campus and the air was filled with excited laughter and chatter as everyone enjoyed the childlike delight of watching a paper plane fly.



**The Design Thinking Challenge** was conducted at Ekya Nava on March 1, 2025. It was an inventive, immersive and critical thinking challenge for children between the ages of 6 and 11. The 6-8-year-olds had to build the tallest standing tower with spaghetti sticks, barbecue skewers, ice cream sticks, masking tape and other materials. Meanwhile, the 9-11-year-olds had to build the perfect maze with cardboard, ice cream sticks, paper, spaghetti sticks, and barbecue skewers to create their masterpieces. It was 2 hours of fun and fervour, and we at Ekya Nava are looking forward to conducting other such challenges in the future.

# CULTURE AT THE CAMPUS



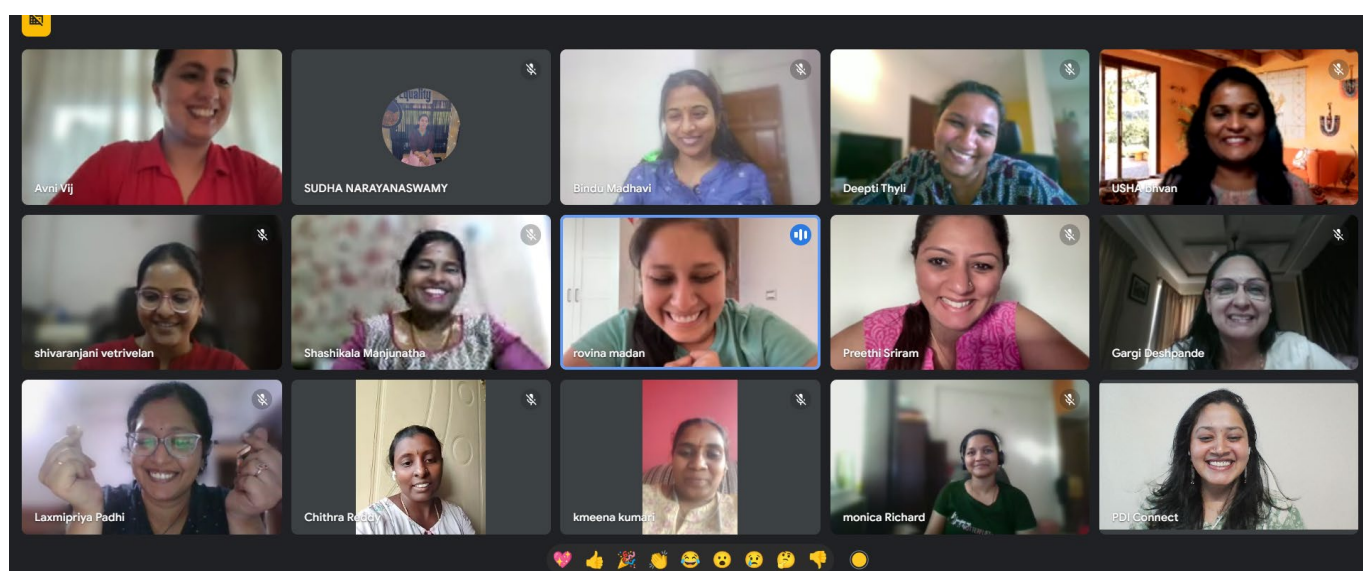
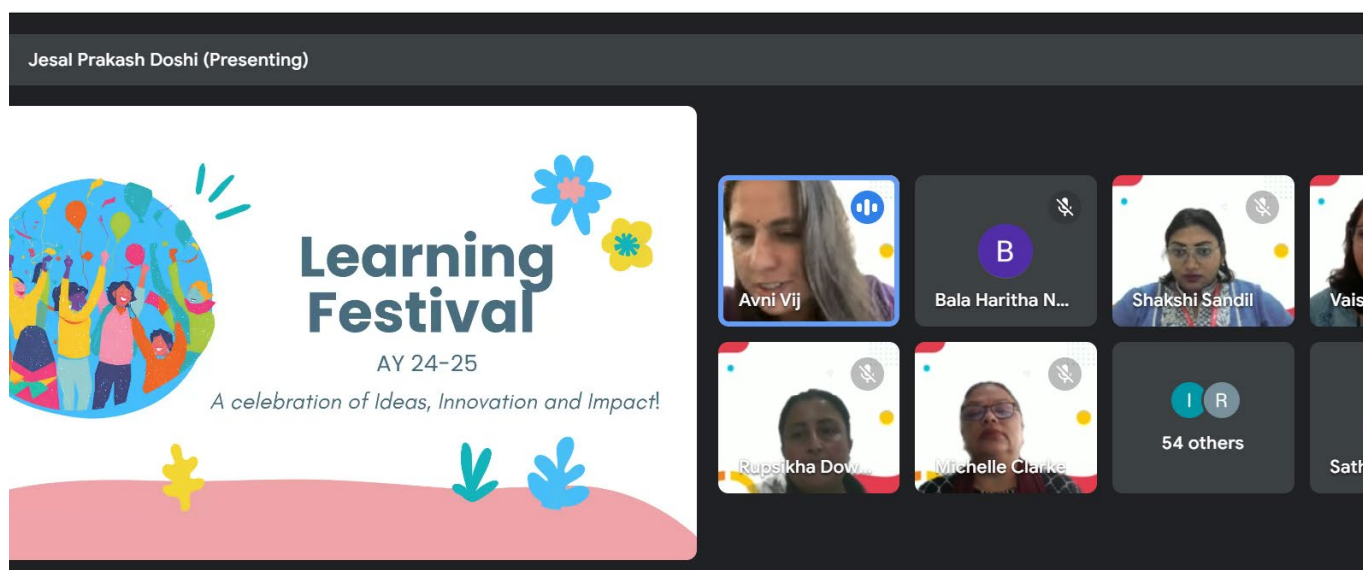
On the occasion of **International Women's Day on March 8, 2025**, the staff at Ekya Nava came together for a small celebration. The women at Ekya Nava gathered together joyfully to celebrate the day. With a beautiful cake at the center of the room, everyone joined in, sharing laughter and smiles as they cut the cake, symbolising unity and the power of women supporting each other. The event was filled with heartfelt appreciation, recognising the hard work and dedication of the women who make the school a vibrant and caring community.

It was a day to celebrate not only their professional roles but also acknowledge and appreciate the multiple roles they play every day as mothers, daughters, partners, and mentors. Women's Day is a day to reflect upon the importance of embracing gender equality in all walks of life. It is also an opportunity to acknowledge the influence and impact that women have, both professionally and personally.



# 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 **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.



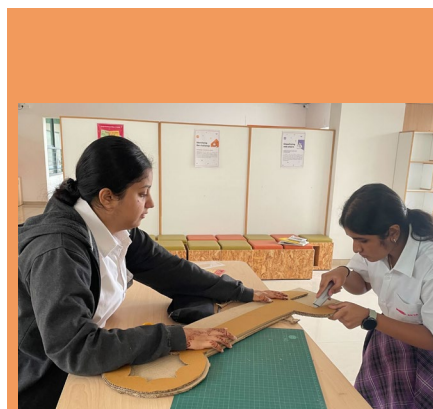
**"Every one of us is a maker"**, & our students are the perfect example of that. Give them the space to create & we will see wonders born out of the mundane. They display the true essence of collaboration & teamwork.



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 generation of ideas & engineering materials to realise the ideas is a very innate quality & everyone of us can create what we envision. Our students demonstrate craftsmanship, 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**

# LEADERSHIP CORNER



## Pushing limits with holistic development and a futuristic approach at Ekya Nava

In today's world where the unstoppable pace of technology is being celebrated, we also need to think about the challenges our children will face. I am penning down some of my thoughts about the importance of creativity and innovation in education along with the overall development of students both as individuals and as a group.

Ekya's philosophy of 'FIND', which is – Focus, Innovation, Nurture and Discover can connect almost all the dots related to Holistic Development. Students are the leaders, who decide the direction of their learning goals as well as their interests.

Our school, Ekya Nava, is loaded with tremendous opportunities for the present while also conforming to a futuristic approach. Now the question arises how does Nava promise to combine a holistic as well as futuristic approach? Let's look into the holistic approach – what do we need for holistic development? Education is the first and foremost feature that comes to mind, and for this purpose, Ekya has a fantastic team of curriculum designers who, along with the curriculum also thoughtfully curate group and partner activities for students. These activities are engaging and fun, but more than that, they also tackle the emotional and social development of the students.

In my opinion, another important aspect of holistic development is addressing values and beliefs. There are few core values which are universal and unchanging, like, honesty, compassion and respect for others. Behaviours and beliefs that stem from one's core values are culturally subject to change. These values and beliefs have been attended to quite seamlessly in the Ekya's curriculum. Importantly, they are also reviewed and replaced periodically, an approach that is not likely to happen in traditional set ups and conventional teaching.

Coming to the futuristic approach adopted at Ekya Nava. Here, we are nurturing a creative and innovative learning environment with our **unique pathways - Design Thinking, Entrepreneurship & Innovation, Making and Information Technology & Society**. These pathways not only make our school unique in the Ekya group of schools but also all over the country, making Nava the first-of-its-kind, purpose-based

school. Students of Nava get a huge window of opportunity to shape, polish, innovate, and explore not only their talents but also their interests.

India may be in the developing stage, but the technology here is far advanced, and therefore, not always accessible to students. But our school, Nava, can fill this gap with our purpose-based holistic education ably aided by state-of-the-art infrastructure and facilities. Moreover, our campus also hosts various workshops for non-Ekya students as well. This is a reflection of the nobility and mindset of the leaders of Ekya group.

What I have shared here is only a sneak preview; one must visit our campus to feel the true vibe of '**Ekya Nava.**'



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