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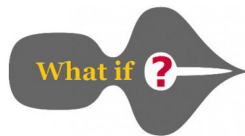
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Author Amish Tripathi in Chennai

Anirudh Madhavan
Student Reporter

Amish Tripathi is now a name well-known to the book readers and spiritualists of Chennai. Rising to stardom and fame with his first book, 'The Immortals of Meluha', based on his belief that Shiva was not a god, but rather a man who rose to become the deity we worship today.

Rising since then to being called the 'Paulo Coelho of the East', Amish has continued his success story with the second and third books of the series, titled 'The Secret of the Nagas' and 'The Oath of the Vayuputras' respectively.

Amish's books now rate among the popular titles in India, reaching out to a wide variety of age groups.



Landmark in partnership with Westland brought the celebrated writer to its outlet in CitiCentre on March 20, 2013.

The writer arrived at 7 p.m. and what followed was a short question and answer session between Amish and his fans, on his life, books, and how writing had brought him back to the threshold of religion.

The gathering became more excited when Amish announced he would resume writing on new books shortly, and announced that Karan Johar, a well-known filmmaker would be taking the books to the silver screen.

Shortly after, Amish personally signed copies of his books to the hundreds of his readers at the launch. The fans and bookworms left the bookstore after obtaining their signed copies wondering at the writer, who is rapidly changing the face of Indian and world literature.



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A special feature on Summer Camps (22 pages)

This fortnight for you ...

Do-It-Yourself Carpentry Workshop April 16 & 17, 2013



Vanilla Children's Place is organising a fun Carpentry workshop for children of ages 7 to 12 years.

The workshop is designed to

teach the practical woodworking skill with safe use of hand tools. This is an opportunity to work on a fun project.

The workshop will be held in the morning session on April 16 and 17, 2013. Fee is Rs. 1950 inclusive of materials.

Contact Vanilla on 044-42066660, 99400 12785

Concert in the Park April 7, 2013

S. Swasthika, a class 9 student of P.S. Senior Secondary School, Mylapore, will present the mikeless Sunday

Kutcheri in the Park at 7am at the Nageswara Rao Park in Mylapore. Swasthika is learning music from the senior guru Thiruvavur Sankara Iyer

Swasthika will be accompanied on



the Mridangam by C.T.Kathik (Guru Madurai K. Rangarajan) and on the Violin by Master T. Kishore (Guru M.S.G.Suresh).

The concert is held as part of the Kutcheri in the Park series hosted by Sundaram Finance to encourage young talents

Sundaram Finance conducts audition to select the artistes.

For registration: call 94450 34557 or email sundaykutcheri@gmail.com

Arts and craft workshops April 6, 2013



Hippocampus is organising two workshops this weekend.

For children of

ages 3-6 years, Sri Valli will teach painting with vegetables and flowers

For children of ages above 7 years, Malini Kalyanam will teach making your own pots and masks.

Both the workshops are at 11 a.m. and open to 15 spots only. The fee is Rs. 150 for members of Hippocampus and Rs. 250 for non-members.

To register, contact 42116417, 24433544 before April 5, 2013

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Prayer before exams ...

Manasa V S
Student Reporter

As the board exams are nearing there is a sudden increase in every single thing around a student. Let it be the tension, let it be the hours of study or the crowd in the Yoga Hayagreeva temple.

This temple located in Chettipunyam on the GST Road at about 3 kms



offer prayers before the exams.

The main deity is Hayagreeva who is supposed to be the guru of the goddess of learning, Saraswathi. The temple is small but is a favourite of students. People flow into the temple with math books, pencil boxes, pens, hall tickets and any kind of stationery they would use during the exams.

The stationery are given to the priest of temple to place it at the foot of the deity and get them blessed. They also pray for knowledge, memory and marks.

The uniqueness of the temple is that Lord Hayagreeva is seen in meditating pose whereas in general the god is seen seated with goddess Lakshmi. The other deities in the temple include Lord Rama and Lord Devanantha.

The temple walls are engraved with names, register numbers, the expected marks or percentage and so on.

away from the famed Singaperumal koil is one many students visit to

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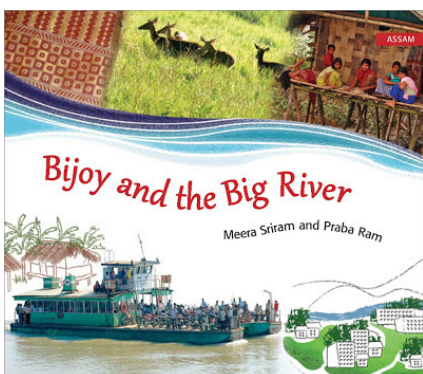
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Ride across the Brahmaputra this Bihu April 6, 2013.

Tulika Books is organizing a book reading session with Praba Ram, co-author of the book 'Bijoy and the Big River'. She brings along with her, art



projects, tea paintings, word puzzles among many things. The event is for kids of ages 8 and above.

The session will be held at Forum Art Gallery, Adyar.

Contact 044 42115596 to register.

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Royal Madras Yacht Club is hosting 7 Days sailing camp in different batches starting every Monday. The timing will be from 10 AM to 1 PM.

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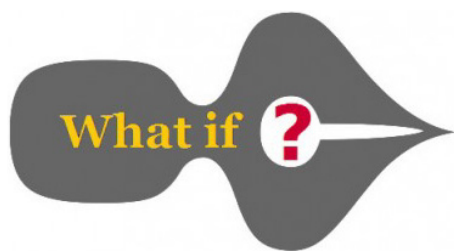
Duration: 2 weeks

CONTACT PERSON : Swathi Rajesh

Contact number : 9003028286

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Registration for 1st Batch closes by 25th March 2013



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Online writing contest

Last date to submit entry: April 15, 2013

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## Global learning experience for Sir Sivaswamy Kalalaya students

**P. S. Nandini**  
**Student Reporter**

As part of its ISA (International School Award) activities, Sir Sivaswami Kalalaya Senior Secondary School celebrated Christmas during December 2012. Activities were aimed at the Class 6 children of the school, who sung a Christmas Carole. Students of Class 5 and 6 also made a huge collection of greeting cards which were exhibited.

Kids had a sweet surprise in store for



them in the form of two Santa Clauses who came and distributed gifts to each one of them. The Santas were, in fact, two class 6 students enjoying their masquerade!



According to The British Council website "the ISA scheme provides recognition for teachers and their schools working to instill a global dimension into the learning experience of all children and young people." With sincere efforts and a lot of fun, Kalalaya is working hard to receive this award.

Earlier, Deepavali and Navarathri were also planned and celebrated by students of the school.



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| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> march - 29 <sup>th</sup> march | 11 am - 1 pm     | 5 - 7 yrs & 8 - 12 yrs |
| <b>Batch - 2</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> march - 29 <sup>th</sup> march | 4 : 30 - 6:30 pm | 5 - 7 yrs & 8 - 12 yrs |

Fresh batches start every week from 18<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> May.

## Theatre workshop by Alchemy academy

|                  | Date                                            | Time          | Age        |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> March - 30 <sup>th</sup> March | 3 : 30 - 5 pm | 4 - 7 yrs  |
| <b>Batch - 2</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> March - 30 <sup>th</sup> March | 5 - 6 : 30 pm | 8 - 14 yrs |

Fresh batches from May 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May

## Creative corner - an activity based Art n Craft

|                  | Date                                            | Time         | Age       |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 18 <sup>th</sup> March - 29 <sup>th</sup> March | 11 am - 1 pm | 3 - 5 yrs |
| <b>Batch - 2</b> | 15 <sup>th</sup> April - 26 <sup>th</sup> April | 11 am - 1 pm | 3 - 5 yrs |

## Fun do science with science factory

|                  | Date                                            | Time          | Age        |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 15 <sup>th</sup> April - 19 <sup>th</sup> April | 10 - 11:30 am | 4 - 7 yrs  |
| <b>Batch - 2</b> | 15 <sup>th</sup> April - 19 <sup>th</sup> April | 12 - 1:30 pm  | 8 - 12 yrs |

## Money champs with money wizards

|                  | Date                                       | Time            | Age        |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> April | 10.30 am - 1 pm | 9 - 13 yrs |

## Fun do science with butterfly fields

|                  | Date                                       | Time         | Age                    |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> May - 14 <sup>th</sup> May | 11 am - 1 pm | 5 - 7 yrs & 8 - 12 yrs |

## Theatre workshop with Alchemy academy

|                  | Date                                       | Time             | Age        |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| <b>Batch - 1</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> May - 14 <sup>th</sup> May | 10:30 am - 12 pm | 4 - 7 yrs  |
| <b>Batch - 2</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> May - 14 <sup>th</sup> May | 12 - 1:30 pm     | 8 - 14 yrs |

## Art, craft, music & movement

|                  | Date                                       | Age       |
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**Time: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

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