

School Students Celebrate National Year of Mathematics at Infosys

Organized by Sishu Griha School and Infosys Science Foundation to celebrate and promote the pursuit of Math

Bangalore, August 4, 2012: Infosys Science Foundation, in association with Sishu Griha Montessori and High School, today organized an inter-school Mathematics Fest: Limit Infinity - The Number Games. Hosted by Infosys at its campus in Electronics City, the day-long event witnessed participation from over 160 students from 25 schools in the city.

“The Limit Infinity fest was aimed at inspiring a love for Mathematics and to help eliminate the fear of Math in young minds. With the year 2012-13 being celebrated as the ‘National Year of Mathematics’ in India in honor of the renowned mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan’s 125th birth anniversary, we thought it apt to organize this fest to demystify Math and overcome the myths and fallacies associated with numbers. The aim was also to encourage students to pursue the field of Math in future,” said Mrs. Sujatha Mohandas, the principal of Sishu Griha School.

The event hosted interesting sessions that focused on combining Math and fun, while engaging youngsters in group discussions, quizzes, and relay of problem solving sessions. Presentations and a skit on the life of Ramanujan by the Sishu Griha students were also organized to help children understand the application of Math in day-to-day lives.

The chief guest, K Dinesh, Co-Founder Infosys and Trustee, Infosys Science Foundation felicitated the various winners at the event.

Speaking on the occasion, K Dinesh said, “Mathematics is widely regarded as the mother of all sciences and pervades beyond science as well. It is at the foundation of computing. It is present in the form of symmetry in art and music. It is, therefore, important to encourage and influence the young minds in our country to pursue Math at advanced levels and bring back the romance in this field of study. Limit Infinity, organized by Sishu Griha and Infosys Science Foundation is our effort in this direction. I am sure it demonstrated how exciting a subject Mathematics can be.”

He further added, “Infosys Science Foundation is committed to attracting young minds to scientific research. With 2012 marked as the National Year of Mathematics, we are lending a special focus to the development of Mathematics in the country. Limit Infinity is the first in the series of activities planned in this direction, touching a wide range of audiences including young school students, graduates and post-graduates, as well the research community.”

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