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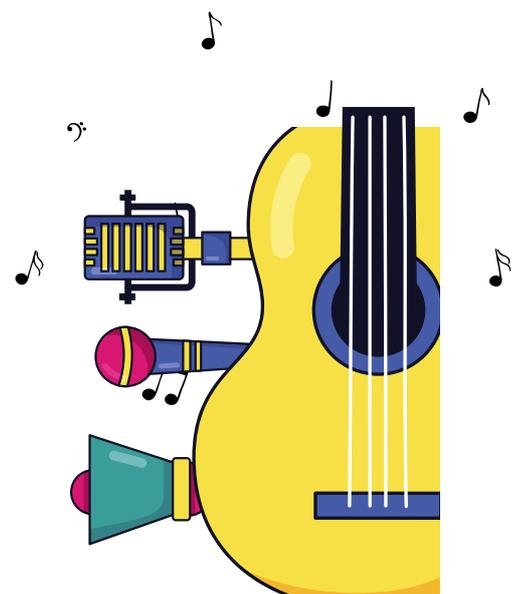
## THE MONTH THAT WAS - DECEMBER 2022

For all of you wondering what has been happening at SaPa this last month, here goes... :)

### AT A GLANCE:

STUDENT SHOWCASE  
MUSIC MEETS SCIENCE WORKSHOPS  
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CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
SURPRISE, SURPRISE... *AND*

WHAT'S COMING UP IN JANUARY 2023





# STUDENT SHOWCASE

A musical evening @ Christel House Kannuru on December 13, 2022

Sponsored by United Nations' agencies, UNICEF and UNESCO, along with World's Largest Lessons and NetApp, this event saw eighth to tenth grade students from five schools presenting their musical talents. SaPa's students were invited to perform as well. Soumyasri Phani Vedala and Sakethram Phani Vedala did a fine job showcasing their talent with vocals and the mridangam respectively.

Along with music, students had some thoughtful, thought-provoking, and perceptive questions as well as practical ideas that they voiced articulately. A far cry from the proverbial self-absorbed and indifferent teenager!



Some of the questions they asked were: Why are there so many school dropouts? How can we improve student literacy rates? What measures should we take to tackle gender inequalities? Why is the suicide rate so high? In line with job & growth opportunities that STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) education is expected to provide in the near future, students wanted schools to build more computer labs to promote coding and other digital skills.

Clearly, some very pressing issues that require immediate attention and action to help the youth convert challenges into opportunities.

India's future is in good hands with these responsible and sensitive youth ready to take on the burning issues of today!

# MUSIC MEETS SCIENCE WORKSHOPS

Did you know that there are mathematical concepts embedded in songs? How does the shape of musical instruments affect the sound they make? Does music enhance your scientific thinking? Have you explored pitch with boom whackers? Students and teachers of SaPa in Schools partner schools got to explore the intertwining of music and science through the Music Meets Science workshop.



With a gregarious panel of educators and super teachers from SaPa, Gayathri Prakash, Abhishek N S, Srikar Athreya, and Ankita Pai, this workshop promised and delivered high-quality and insightful content in a fun and interactive setting. Held at Sri Kumarans Children's Home and Envision High, here are a few glimpses of the enthusiastic responses of the young primary school students - musicians and scientists of tomorrow!



# MUSIC MEETS DANCE WORKSHOPS

Bharatanatyam is an Indian classical dance with bhavam (expression), ragam (melody), and talam (rhythm). SaPa's bharatanatyam teacher, Ms Babina Taorem is a fourth generation Manipuri and Bharatanatyam artiste in her family from Imphal, Manipur. She has graced the stage over a hundred times through her performances!



She also conducts Music Meets Dance workshops in SaPa's partner schools. Here, children are introduced to different types of dances, exercising their limbs and testing their flexibility through fun activities. They also get a sneak peek into bharatanatyam and learn a dance number. Here is a glimpse of the entertaining workshop which has everyone on their feet - even those who claim to have two left feet!

The Music Meets Dance workshop was held at Sri Kumarans Children's Home, Vidyaniketan Public School, National Public School, (Rajajinagar & Indiranagar), Daffodils, NAFL, and Smt. Kamalabai Educational Institution (SKEI).

If you would like SaPa to partner with your school, [book an appointment with SaPa's expert](#) to begin a fruitful collaboration!





# CHRISTMAS CONCERT

What better way to bid farewell to the year gone by than to tune in to some soft and soulful melodies? At SaPa's Christmas concert at Sanjaynagar, students sang an in-house composition on December 23, 2022! "We now have 75 performing students at SaPa!" revealed SaPa's beaming CEO, Bindu Subramaniam.

Listen to this [original composition](#) of a Christmas carol by SaPa students, Disha Reddy and Tanya Ravidas, rendered by the SaPa choir. Under the able training of SaPa educators, Roopini Ravindran and Rochit Kathri, the piece was soulful and heartfelt, warm and inclusive, in short, perfectly in keeping with the spirit of the season!



*Of course, no Christmas celebration is complete without some Christmas cake that SaPa's founder, Dr L Subramaniam, himself cut!*



# SURPRISE, SURPRISE!



## Secret Santa !

Never a dull moment at SaPa!  
How do you spread a smile on  
your employees' face? How  
about an eagerly-anticipated,  
surprise gift? That's exactly the  
treat SaPa's employees received  
this Christmas and New Year's  
from their Secret Santas.  
Nothing like cheer and gratitude  
to add to the joyful season -the  
perfect way to wrap up 2022!



Ho ho ho!





## WHAT'S COMING UP IN JANUARY 2023?

A premier music conservatory and SaPa's partner in teacher training, Norwegian Academy of Music, is expected to visit between January 21st and 29th, 2023. A workshop at SaPa and another with a SaPa in Schools partner school will undoubtedly generate new ideas imparting the latest in global teaching tools and methodologies - the perfect beginning to the new year!

Expect more workshops in Music Meets Science (MMS) and Music Meets Dance (MMD). Some SaPa in Schools' assessments are expected at Kumbakonam too. A wonderful portend of things to come - learning plus fun!

Watch out for more in this space...!

*Wishing you a very HAPPY &  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!*

*Cheers! Team SaPa*

