

Time Management: The Key to Academic Success



Effective time management boosts student productivity by helping them prioritize tasks and enables students to make better use of their time by setting clear goals and using focused study intervals. Techniques such as time-blocking and short study sessions help students concentrate better and reduce distractions, leading to improved efficiency and reduced stress.

Effective time management is essential for students to balance academic responsibilities and personal life while maintaining consistent performance. By breaking large tasks into smaller steps and focusing on one activity at a time, students can avoid procrastination and stay organized. Self-discipline plays a key role, as students must limit unnecessary commitments and maintain a regular study routine. Adequate sleep, physical activity, and short breaks further improve concentration and overall productivity.

Time management is especially important for ICSE Class X Geography in the board examination, as the paper tests both knowledge and speed. The Geography paper is of 2 hours duration for 80 marks, so students should plan their time carefully. Section A should be completed in about 35 minutes (Toposheet – 15 minutes, Map Work – 10 minutes, MCQs – 10 minutes), as it is scoring and requires less writing. Section B (Theory – 50 marks) should ideally be completed in 1 hour 10 minutes, leaving the final 10–15 minutes for revision and checking the answer paper.

To conclude, time management is an essential life skill for everyone. Students, in particular, must learn to manage their time effectively to achieve academic success and reduce stress. Developing good time management habits not only improves performance in examinations but also prepares students for future professional responsibilities.

As the saying goes, ‘Time and tide wait for no man,’ highlights the importance of managing time effectively. In today’s competitive world, students must learn to use time wisely to achieve success.”

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Blossoms of Learning at Udyan Utsav



Our NCC unit had the honour of visiting Rashtrapati Nilayam on 7th January, 2026 to attend the Udyan Utsav – Second Edition, with 48 cadets participating enthusiastically. The cadets explored the magnificent Presidential Gardens and admired the vibrant floral displays. The visit provided meaningful insights into sustainable gardening practices and GI-tagged products, enhancing their awareness and knowledge. Colourful cultural performances further enriched the experience.



The programme proved to be educational, enjoyable, and inspiring, fostering the holistic development of the cadets

Recycling Excellence Brings Laurels



Congratulations to Naga Prapthi of Grade IX D for her remarkable achievement in the WOW Interschool Recycling Championship 2025–26. She secured the 1st Runner-up Award (ICSE Student Category) on 21st January, 2026 at the Ravindra Bharathi Auditorium, Hyderabad, receiving the honour from the Hon'ble Governor of Telangana, Sri Jishnu Dev Varma.

Johnson Grammar School, Mallapur was also commended for its outstanding contribution to effective waste management and for promoting the true spirit of the Swachh Bharat Mission.

The school extends sincere appreciation to all parents, students, and teachers for their active participation and support in the WOW Recycling Programme.

Young Innovators Shine at Avishkaar Makeathon 2025



Dheeraj (Class X C) and Shreyas (Class VIII F) secured the Third Position and won the Best Presentation Award at Avishkaar Makeathon 2025, a National-Level Presentation for ATL students, held from 14th to 18th January, 2026 in New Delhi. Their outstanding performance is a matter of great pride for the school.



Promoting Wellness: Medical Health Check-up at JGS, Mallapur



Johnson Grammar School, Mallapur conducted a comprehensive Medical Health Check-up for Senior School students and staff on 27th, 28th, and 29th January, 2026. The programme focused on preventive healthcare and early detection of health concerns. Experienced medical professionals carried out general health examinations and provided guidance on fitness, nutrition, and healthy lifestyle habits. The initiative was well appreciated and underscored the school's commitment to ensuring the overall well-being of its students and staff.

Celebrating the Spirit of the Republic



The Republic Day celebrations were held with great pride and patriotic fervour on 26th January, 2026. The programme began with an inspiring address by the Principal, highlighting the values of the Constitution and the responsibilities of young citizens. This was followed by the prize distribution ceremony, where last year's academic toppers were honoured for their excellence and hard work. The celebration was further enriched by vibrant music and graceful dance performances that reflected the cultural diversity of our nation. The event concluded on a joyful note, leaving everyone filled with a sense of unity and national pride.



OJAS 2026: A Grand Celebration of Sportsmanship and Spirit at Johnson Grammar School, Mallapur

Johnson Grammar School, Mallapur, hosted its much-awaited Annual Sports Meet, OJAS 2026, on January 5 and 6, 2026, with immense enthusiasm, energy, and pride, celebrating the true spirit of sportsmanship and unity.

The Senior School Sports Meet on January 5, 2026 was graced by Smt. Kothakota Seetha Dayakar Reddy, Chairperson of the Telangana State Commission for the Protection of Child Rights, as the Chief Guest. The occasion was further honoured by the presence of Dr. Godwin Daniel, Deputy Secretary, CISCE; Lt. Colonel Jijesh KP, NCC Commanding Officer; and Ms. B. Aparna, Member of the Telangana State Commission for the Protection of Child Rights.

On January 6, 2026 the celebrations continued with the Primary School Sports Day in the morning, graced by Smt. Kancherla Vandana Goud, a committed child rights advocate and social welfare professional, presently serving as a Member of the Telangana State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, as the Guest of Honour.

The Middle School Sports Day in the afternoon was honoured by Shri Brig. Manoj Kumar Sharma, Head of Faculty – Strategic Management and Behavioural Sciences, College of Defence Management, as the Chief Guest, and Ms. Naimisha Mummidi, an accomplished alumna, as the Guest of Honour.

The ceremony on both days commenced with a formal Guard of Honour, followed by the garlanding of the Founder's portrait and the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, symbolising the school's values and rich legacy. The hoisting of the Sports Flag and an impressive March Past showcased discipline, coordination, and team spirit. The spirit of OJAS was further ignited with a

ceremonial Torch Relay, led by the Sports Captain and national-level athletes, symbolising the continuity of sporting excellence. The meet was formally declared open by Principal Ms. Srabanti Basu amid resounding applause.

The two-day event featured thrilling track, field competitions that gave way to view vibrant cultural performances. Highlights included relays, hurdles, fun-fit challenges, and colourful drill displays such as Circle of Energy – Hula Hoop Race, Hurdle Hustle Relay Challenge, Fun-Fit Circuit, Hockey Drill, Hoops Drill, Umbrella Drill, Ribbon Drill, Football Display, Bamboo Drill, Martial Arts, Robotics Performance, Rhythm Rush, LED Hoops Display, Bharatiyam, and an impressive NCC display paying tribute to Operation Sindhoor, culminating in a spectacular Culmination Dance.

Adding cheer and excitement throughout the celebrations was the school mascot, 'Ojo', who kept the crowd energised. The Student Council's Annual Report highlighted a year of remarkable achievements, while engaging activities for parents and alumni strengthened the sense of community.

The event concluded with the awarding of medals and national honours to the school teams, followed by the lowering of the Sports Flag, marking a truly memorable celebration of energy, excellence, sportsmanship, and unity.

