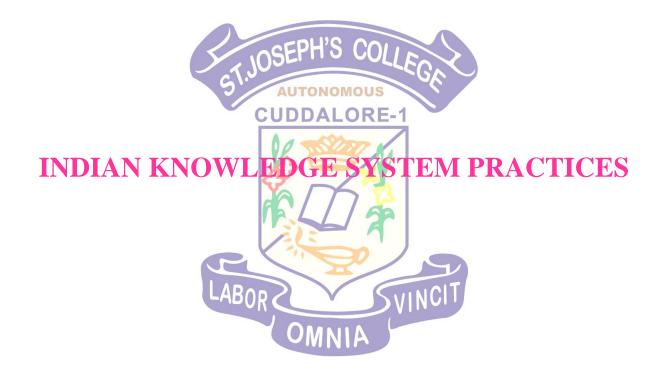


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International Yoga Day - students demonstrating Yoga – an indigenous system of exercises for the body that involves breathe control and helps relax both your mind and your body.



Students during the **Monthly Meditation Session**. Each session is held on a particular theme.



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Students Cooking *Pongal* (a traditional dish) during the **Pongal Festival** in the college. **Pongal is a harvest festival celebrated by the Tamil community**. Students engage in community cooking, wear ethnic dresses and perform traditional dances.



Students demonstrating Silamabam. Silambam is an Indian martial art originating in Tamil Nadu. The sport is mentioned in Tamil Sangam literature.



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Students performing Karagattam. It is an ancient folk dance from Tamil Nadu, India that is performed to honor the rain goddess Mariamman. The name literally translates to "pot-dance". The dance involves performers balancing a pot, called a Karagam, on their heads.



Students performing Poikkaal Kuthirai Aattam (poi - False, kaal - leg, Kuthirai – Horse) or Puravi Aattam (Dummy Horse Dance) on the Annual Sports Day. It is a folk dance performed with a dummy horse having a gap inside so that a person can fit into it to perform the dance.



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Students performing **Parai** during the Annual Sports Day. Parai, also known as **Thappattai** or **Thappu**, is a **traditional percussion** instrument.



Students performing Oyilattam, a dance where a few men would stand in a row with two kerchiefs perform rhythmic steps to the musical accompaniment.



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Men Students performing Mallakhamba, or Mallakhamb, a traditional sport, originating from the Indian subcontinent, in which a group of gymnasts perform aerial yoga and gymnastic postures using wrestling grips in concert with a stationary vertical pole.



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Women Students performing Mallakhamba, or Mallakhamb, a traditional sport, originating from the Indian subcontinent, in which a group of gymnasts perform aerial yoga and gymnastic postures using wrestling grips in concert with a stationary vertical pole.



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Students performing **Bharatanatyam** an **Indian classical dance** form that originated in Tamil Nadu, India.

