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THE BRIGADE SCHOOL



- Co-educational
- CBSE affiliated
- Nursery through Std 10



Our Vision

"There are two lasting bequests we can give our children: One is roots. The other is wings." —Hodding Carter, Jr.

We believe that:

- Each child is a unique individual who possesses inherent potential of different types. Our objective is to identify, tap and develop this potential. To do so, we have to ensure that the child not only learns well, but also learns happily and, in the process, develops into a confident, complete person. Our philosophy is realised through the personal attention we extend to each child and our encouragement of open lines of communication between students and faculty.
- Our students should have firm roots in our land, our culture, our language and our ethos. At the same time, we want our students to develop a world-view and become universal citizens who are aware of, and at ease with, other cultures, religions, viewpoints and lifestyles.
- Education involves far more than the acquisition of knowledge. The real achievement of education is teaching students to enjoy the process of learning and to apply all that they learn to real life situations.
- Co-curricular activities and a collaborative learning and working culture are as important as academics.



Colourful signage everywhere reflects the spirit of the school.

About Brigade Group

Established in 1986, Brigade Group is a name instantly identified with Bangalore: the city in which it is headquartered and with which it shares its past and future.

Brigade Group has over 70 projects to its credit, in both Bangalore and Mysore. These include luxury apartment complexes; self-contained, integrated enclaves; state-of-the-art software and retail facilities and modern offices. The organisation was amongst the first in the industry to get the coveted ISO 9001-2000 certification; an indication of its commitment to meeting, and then excelling, quality benchmarks. Brigade Group's associates and partners are the best in their fields.

Brigade Group's corporate vision has evolved with time and organisational growth. Its vision and intent now encompass not just building better homes and offices, but also providing a better quality of life for those who occupy them.

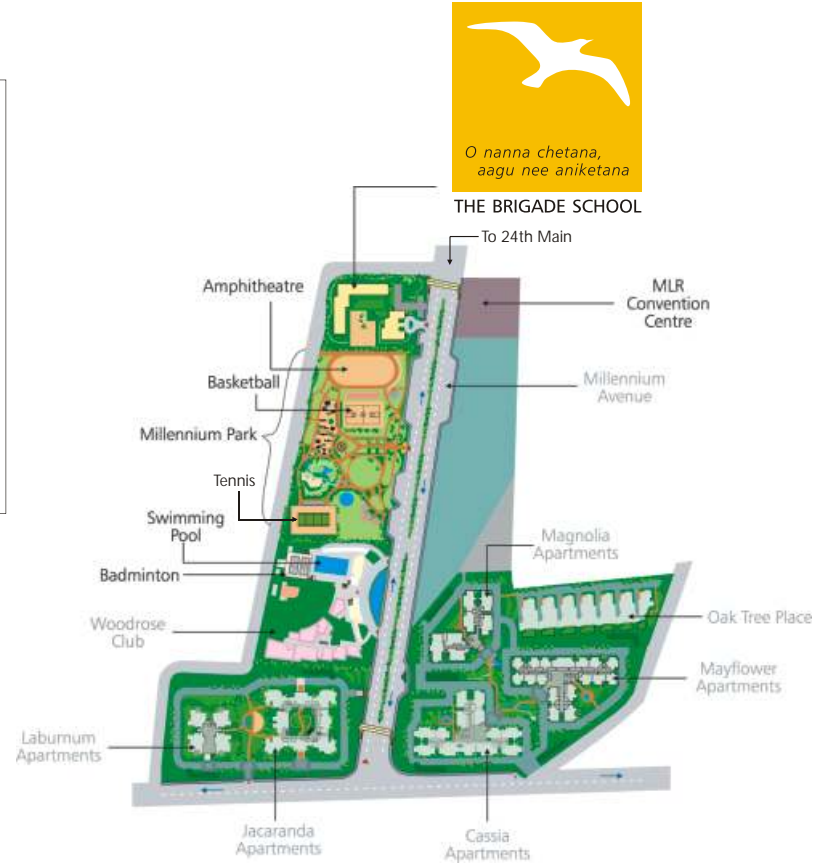
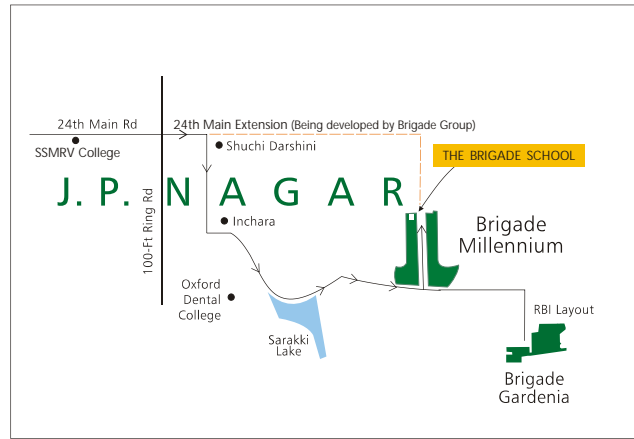
In recent times, Brigade Group's areas of operation and interest have expanded to include areas related to property management services, the hospitality industry and, through the Brigade Foundation, education, healthcare and community development.

Brigade Foundation

The Brigade Foundation is a charitable trust set up by Brigade Group. In the sphere of education, one of the Foundation's main objectives is to meet the educational needs of a range of people in both urban and rural areas.



For a better quality of life



The Brigade School, set in a safe green enclave



O nanna chetana, aagu nee aniketana

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Our school motto and logo are an extension of our philosophy: let the spirit fly, let the mind soar into new horizons...

Our school motto...



*O nanna chetana,
aagu nee aniketana*

*O my spirit,
transcend all boundaries*

Our school motto is taken from the first line of the poem *Aniketana*, written by Karnataka's poet laureate Kuvempu in 1956.

In this poem, Kuvempu seeks to break out of the narrow confines of home, religion and country, and to reach for the eternal and the universal.

A household name wherever Kannada is read and spoken, Kupalli Venkatappa Puttappa (K.V. Puttappa, 1904-1994) is revered as one of the great Kannada

poets of the 20th century. He has written over 70 books, including poetry, novels, essays and plays.

Kuvempu believed in "manuja mata, vishva patha" (mankind's religion is the universal path of all people), a philosophy reflected in several of his poems and essays.

...Our school logo

Our logo is the visual translation of our motto.

The bird, a seagull, represents the soaring spirit and intellectual freedom.

The yellow square stands for energy, optimism and happiness.

The fact that our motto is from a Kannada poem symbolises the need for rootedness. The script being in English represents a universal outlook.

The Brigade School



*The leader takes charge:
A team meeting in progress
at the mini-stadium.*



*A solemn moment:
Investiture ceremony of the Head Boy and Head Girl.*

Affiliated to the CBSE Board, The Brigade School is a co-educational institution covering Nursery to Std 10 levels. The school began its first academic year in 2004. Young in years and spirit, yet rich in academic experience, it has already earned the reputation of being an institution of excellence. Initial planning is underway to set up a branch of the school in the Malleswaram-Rajajinagar area.

The Brigade School is managed by the Brigade Foundation, a not-for-profit trust set up by Brigade Group, one of Bangalore's leading property developers and an ISO 9001-2000 certified company.



Our budding musicians at a school cultural programme.



Follow the leader: A teacher leads her charges to class on arrival at school.



A spirited performance by our little 'kodavas'!

Facilities

- Spacious and safe class rooms...
- ...that open into enclosed garden spaces with sand pits and greenery.
- Children's playground with swings, see-saws and slides.
- A private, three-acre landscaped park that abuts the school (part of the residential campus in which the school is located).
- A range of toys, craft materials and learning aids.
- Age-appropriate books and audio-visual materials, selected by experts, to stimulate the imagination and encourage pleasurable learning.

Pre-school



Building blocks—a great way to learn!

Nursery

Lower Kindergarten (LKG)

Upper Kindergarten (UKG)

Pre-school, being a child's first experience in the formal education system, can be an anxious time for both children and parents. Which is why we have taken special care to create a warm, welcoming and cheerful atmosphere, in which children feel secure and happy. An environment that makes them want to come to school each morning.

Learning is encouraged and facilitated through enlightened, child-friendly teachers; individual attention to children; group discussions and interactions and carefully selected books and learning aids. The emphasis is on anxiety-free learning rather than reading and writing by rote. Nature, singing and painting are a much-loved part of everyday school life. Children learn other important lessons too: to share, abide by simple rules, get on well with other children and accept the authority of kindly adults.

And with the confidence that our Pre-school children gain in this nurturing environment, their transition to primary school becomes a smooth and happy progression.

Our Facilities



With thought-provoking ideas on its walls and ceiling, the bright and vibrant library encourages learning and discovery.



Students enjoy a football match at the mini-stadium.

The Brigade School is located within the campus of a beautiful, 22-acre residential enclave in J.P. Nagar, South Bangalore.

Some of the enclave facilities—such as a swimming pool, and a landscaped three-acre park, with floodlit amphitheatre, mini-stadium and basketball court; —are available to the school. Other highlights include:

- The tree-dotted quadrangle, with a stage at one end, which is the school's main gathering place for daily morning assemblies, small school ceremonies and tea and lunch breaks.
- Spacious, well-ventilated classrooms that open out into wide, bright hallways.
- The "wall encyclopaedias" that run the length of nearly all hallways, which are as informative as they are beautiful.

- Landscaped gardens at both ground and terrace levels.
- Airy, well-equipped laboratories for physics, chemistry, biology and life skills.
- Separate language and math laboratories.
- A spacious and cheery library and well equipped audio-visual room.
- A large computer centre, with floor-to-ceiling windows running along one side, equipped with 40 computers.
- A Tuck Shop, where healthy snacks are available during tea and lunch breaks.

The school will also have access to the air-conditioned, 450-seat auditorium at the MLR Convention Centre, located just across the road. The auditorium will have a large stage with professional sound and lighting facilities.

Academics



Experiments at the chemistry lab in progress.



There's always something new to learn at the audio-visual room.

Our academic focus is based on a philosophy of teaching that is consistent with exemplary practices and meets national standards in education.

We follow the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) syllabus, widely regarded as one with the most enlightened outlook and curricula within our education system. The core faculty of the school is a proactive team of experienced teachers, who combine high standards of teaching with sensitivity to the emotional needs of their students.

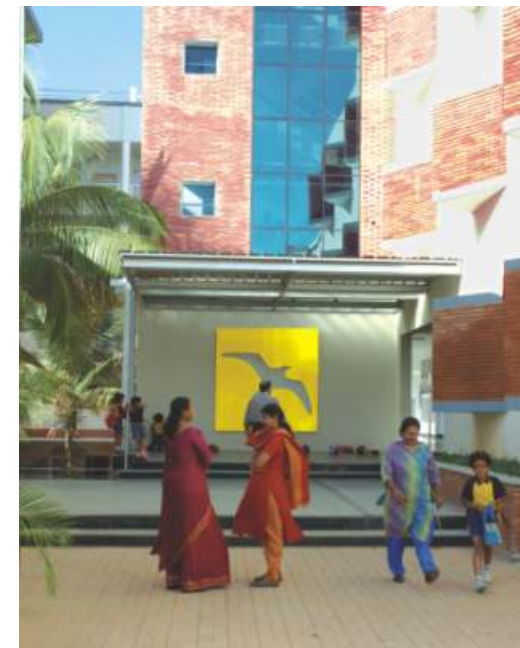
Each stage of schooling—primary, middle and high—is carefully constructed. A student's journey from one level of school to the next is made as seamless and rewarding as possible.

Our Curriculum

Our academic curriculum from Std 1 to Std 10:

- English (medium of instruction)
- Second Language options:
 - Standards 1-5: Kannada or Hindi
 - Standards 6-10: Kannada, Hindi or Sanskrit
- Third Language options:
 - Standards 6-8: Kannada, Hindi or Sanskrit (Hindi is mandatory, as either a second or third language option)
- Mathematics
- Physics, Chemistry and Biology (Science)
- History, Civics and Geography (Social Science)

Structure & Timings



A parent picks her child up after school, while teachers discuss the day's events.



Marching in line to go home!

Sections

Pre-school : Nursery, LKG and UKG. All classes have two sections (36 children per section), with two trained teachers each for Nursery and LKG, along with ayahs.

Primary School : Standards 1 to 3

Middle School : Standards 4 to 8

High School : Standards 9 & 10

Standards 1 to 10 have three sections of 36 children each.

Academic Terms

First Term : June to Dasara

Second Term : Dasara to Christmas

Third Term : January 1 to mid-April

Timings

Nursery : 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

LKG & UKG : 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Std 1 to Std 10 : 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

- Our school works a 5-day week.
- Extra classes for Standards 9 and 10 may be held on Saturdays, if and when required.
- Special practices and rehearsals for Standards 4 to 10 may be held from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays and Saturdays too, if required.

Houses



Mass PT display by the Middle School (L to R: Hoysala, Ganga and Chalukya houses).



Chalukya House proudly displays its trophies on Sports Day.

Probably nothing symbolises the school spirit more than the excitement and challenge inspired by competitive events. At The Brigade School, these events are linked to sports, academics, the arts, debates, elocution...and many things in between!

At the Middle School, or Standard 4 level, children are placed in one of the school's four 'Houses', each of which is named after a dynasty that shaped Karnataka's history and culture: Chalukya, Vijayanagara, Ganga and Hoysala.

This heralds the start of a school-long loyalty and commitment to the House and its members. The result is a sense of collaborative team spirit of the highest order.

Our CBSE-based Approach



Fostering a student-centred approach: Students share a few light moments with their teacher outside the classroom.



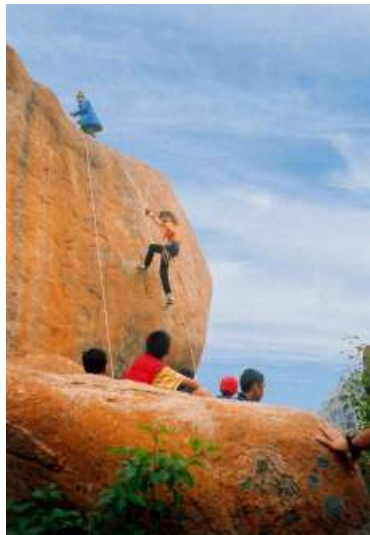
With a little help, Art and Craft classes can be lots of fun!



Teamwork: Members of a club work on a project together.

- A student-friendly, student-centred, interactive focus.
- A balanced breadth of academic coverage; neither does it overburden the student, nor is it superficial.
- Constant, innovative review of the syllabus to ensure it is contemporary and meaningful, with due importance being placed on skill-based, job-oriented and job-linked inputs. Subjects covered include communicative English, spoken Kannada, disaster management, life skills education and more.
- Ideal for children of people with transferrable jobs, since CBSE-affiliated schools are found in all major cities.
- Updation of teachers' skills through workshops and training programmes.
- Regular monitoring by the CBSE Board, thereby ensuring that its academic standards and educational philosophy are being met.

Co-curricular Activities



Students go rock-climbing at Antargange.



Practising for the athletic relay heats.



A creative and stimulating nature study class.



Kathalaya: A storytelling session in progress.

We believe that what goes on outside the classroom is as important as what goes on within it. Our regular academic timetable is therefore complemented by a variety of co-curricular courses, clubs and activities.

The entire school—from Standards 1 to 10—benefits from our co-curricular courses. Even though they have a full schedule, students of Standards 6 to 10 enjoy participating in at least one Sport and one Art/Performing Arts/Club activity.

Our students are given an opportunity to participate in inter-house and inter-school competitions, and showcase their talents at school functions.

Sports

With experienced Physical Training instructors, special coaches for basketball, football and swimming, a bandmaster and excellent facilities, sports are obviously an important part of our school life.

The Brigade Millennium enclave has outstanding sports facilities, which are available to the school, including a covered, heated swimming pool. The three-acre Millennium Park, adjacent to the school, has a floodlit mini-stadium and basket ball court with a synthetic running track, and an amphitheatre. Sports activities held here include:

- Basketball ■ Athletics ■ Brass Band
- Kho-kho ■ Mass PT ■ Volleyball
- Football ■ Swimming

Art and Performing Arts

Rich in history and cultural tradition, the arts play an important role in education—both for their intrinsic value and their ability to enhance the overall development of a child. At The Brigade School, co-curricular activities in this sphere include art and craft, music, dance and theatre. These are conducted as group activities, rather than on an individual basis. School outings to the theatre and places of cultural and historical interest are organised regularly.

Mindspace

Mindspace seeks to ensure the overall well-being and happiness of students by addressing issues such as careers; the physical, mental and social dimensions of growing up; and intra- and inter-personal skills. Other activities in Mindspace include: encouraging the reading habit; teaching of spoken Kannada for integration into the local society; yoga; lateral thinking; learning to learn; general knowledge; special computer workshops; life skills; debates and seminars; and special training for slow learners.



Students in stylised animal costumes, Cultural Day.



Students enthrall the audience at a cultural show.



Our special computer workshops help class assignments.



Modern Dance and Movement classes incorporate moves used in self-defence arts.