



# young pioneers Launchpad


FOSTERING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL MINDSET



You are cordially invited to Launchpad 2026, the grand finale of the Young Pioneers programme, where students take the national stage and pitch the ideas they've spent months building, to a jury of entrepreneurs and business leaders.

Watch the brightest young minds, guided by mentors and powered by an entrepreneurial mindset, turn curiosity into action and ideas into impact.

Taking off on the  
**18th April, 2026**   
**8:30 AM — 6:30 PM** 

Where:  
 **Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore**  
**A.V. Rao Auditorium, Division of Chemical Sciences,**  
**Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru,**

## Why Attend?

Witness 30+ teams bring their best ideas and win accolades and recognition.

Celebrate the outcome of months of learning, collaboration, and mentorship.

Network with educators, founders, and industry leaders from across India.

## Take a look at pitch-packed agenda

8:15 – 9:00 AM	<b>Registrations Open</b>
9:00 – 9:20 AM	<b>Overview and Welcome</b> followed by Lamp Lighting
9:20 – 9:30 AM	<b>Programme Overview</b> By Dr. Ritu Uppal, Chief Academic Officer, Get Set Learn & Ridhi Gupta, Head of Products – Future Skills and Incubation (South Asia), Cambridge
9:30 – 9:40 AM	<b>Keynote Address</b> By Manju Balasubramanyam, Principal, Delhi Public School – Bangalore North
9:40 – 11:40 AM	<b>Idea Pitches by Beginner Batch 1</b> (5 min pitch + 3 min Q&A + 2 min transition per team)
11:40 – 12:00 PM	<b>Short Break &amp; Transition to Pitches</b>
12:00 – 1:10 PM	<b>Idea Pitches by Intermediate Batch</b> (5 min pitch + 3 min Q&A + 2 min transition per team)
1:10 – 2:00 PM	<b>Lunch Break &amp; Jury Deliberation</b>
2:00 – 2:15 PM	<b>Break &amp; Briefing: Beginner Batch 2</b>
2:15 – 4:30 PM	<b>Idea Pitches by Beginner Batch 2</b> (5 min pitch + 3 min Q&A + 2 min transition per team)
4:30 – 4:45 PM	<b>Short Break</b>
4:45 – 5:15 PM	<b>Young Pioneers Launchpad 2026 Awards Ceremony</b> Student Teams   Coordinators   Speakers   Judges
5:15 – 5:30 PM	<b>Closing Remarks</b>

## Meet our grand jury



**Dr. Pradeep Pendse**

In-Charge Director & CTO, Weschool



**Bindu Subramaniam**

CEO & Founder, SaPa in Schools



**Dr. Nirmala Krishnan**

Entrepreneur & Consultant  
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