

# Parikrma off to solid start

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**BENGALURU** A brace from Prem helps hosts Parikrma get off to a solid start in the Parikrma Champions League inter-school football tournament, handing St Aloysius High School a 3-0 defeat at the Bangalore Football Stadium on Thursday.

Parikrma had to do without their skipper, who suffered an injury midway through the game, but the side had all but assured themselves of victory by then. Prem gave his side the lead in the 10th minute and added a second in the 17th. Aloysius, who tried in vain to score, eventually got in the scoring books — but found the target at the wrong end of the pitch. Sanjay N added to his team's woes when he inadvertently booted the ball into his own net, handing Parikrma their third goal.

Parikrma Foundation CEO, Shukla Bose was pleased with the day's play. "We saw very tough competition today between the teams and we are glad that through the matches the teams are learning to respect and gain their dignity in the society," she said.

Earlier, the tournament was inaugurated by Sunando Dhar, CEO of the I-League. "I am very impressed with the idea of this championship," Dhar said. "This is a good grooming ground and could lead to players going to the international level."



**Favad K (left) of Farook Higher Secondary School attempts to dribble past Geogie Manoj of Vidyashilp Academy in the Parikrma Champions League on Thursday**

## OTHER RESULTS

St Ann's High School 3 (Raj Pratap, R Rahul, Sevil P) bt Ryan International 0; Inventure Academy 4 beat Jain International School 4-2 (via penalty shootout); Greenwood High School 4 (Sidarth Bargava, Chirag, Rishab Harjani, Suman S Dev) bt Stonehill Government High School 0; Indus International 3 (Kevan Keane Lyndoh, Ghalib Halin 2) beat St Josephs' Boys High School 1 (Kevin); St Loyola High School, Goa 2 (Xavier Dmelo, Aaron Barreit) bt DPS East 0; Farook Higher Secondary School, Kerala 3 (Jawad PP, Akhil K, Muhammed Shahbas K) bt Vidyashilp Academy 0; DPS North 1 (Jagruth) bt Vidyia Niketan School 0.