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SACRED HEART'S NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Happy Evening to one and all, every academic year is a significant milestone. The annual day is an occasion to celebrate to look back with pride and look ahead with vision. Exploring new horizons, finding new dimensions in growth, we have continued to do our best in this academic year. I am extremely delighted to present the highlights of our achievements in the year 2017-18.

‘Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world’

Education plays a vital role in shaping a child’s future, In Sacred Heart’s we leave no stone unturned in creating all round development in students. This we achieve by carefully perusing every latest update in the changing education system and implementing the most appropriate programs that prepares the young minds to face challenges and triggers their creativity to the next level of learning. In this process we have created young scientists, orators, analysts, artists and humanitarians. Keeping in mind the motto of our school ‘SERVE BEFORE GOD’, we serve to the better future of every student of our school.

INAUGURAL ASSEMBLY

Every new academic year brings new hope and new goals, all of which we ardently place in the mighty hands of our Lord and commenced the inaugural assembly. Rev.D. Jacob Sundersingh Pastor, Bethel Church invoked God’s blessings upon each one of us through his fervent prayer.

TEACHER’S WORKSHOP:

The challenge of a good teacher is to:

Be strong, but not rude

Be kind, but not weak

Be a teacher, but never stop learning

Sacred Heart’s invests profoundly in enhancing the professional development of teachers and always ensure these updates get translated into desirable outcome in students learning.

The academic year started with the Teachers attending a training session conducted by X-Seed Education on 'Effective classroom teaching practices', which was followed by regular coaching provided by X-seed coordinator every quarter.

Thulir Innovations conducted a three day training session on Phonic reading for the Kindergarten and lower primary teachers, our teachers participated with much interest and fervor. Thulir also conducted a one day workshop for teachers at our school on English speaking outcome.

Our Head Mistress Mrs. Sheeba Storey attended a one day workshop on "Learning difficulty assessment for school professionals", conducted by Pearson Academy India.

In 2017, 7 of our primary teachers enrolled with the D.EL.ED course, conducted by National Institute of Open Schooling, New Delhi, through the initiation of the Central Govt.

CURRICULUM OFFERINGS:

Sacred Heart's aims to empower each student to become autonomous thinkers and confident lifelong learners so that they have the necessary attitudes, processes, skills and knowledge to meet the ever changing social and personal needs.

The curriculum covers the key learning areas through the following programs:

- We follow X-Seed 5-Step Experiential Learning Method from LKG to Std V . This approach ensures that students grasp core concepts better, communicate fluently in English, and perform better on reasoning and application-base tests.
- We strive to bring English proficiency in students through the Thulir English Language development program from UKG onwards.
- In order to aid students in doing faster mathematical calculation and develop Concentration and photographic memory, Abacus is taught from Std I onwards.
- Students begin learning Hindi as third language from STD I . This year Students from STD III to V attended the Parichai exam conducted by Hindi Prachar Sabha, 90% of the students passed in First Class and the rest in second class.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

Co-curricular activities facilitate the development of various domains of mind and personality such. To sharpen the skills of public speaking and writing, periodic oratorical and essay writing competitions are held in English and Tamil language, students also participate

enthusiastically in Thirukurral recitation competition. These literary association programs groom every student into a confident and outstanding performer. Training in the skills of speaking begin very early in our school, as students of nursery classes participate in storytelling and recitation competition regularly every month. Upper Primary students learn Karate which builds confidence in students and improves their focus , it also develops self-discipline and the art of self-defense in both girl and boy student.

INVESTITURE:

The school cabinet is an integral part of the school . Every year students stand for positions and are elected by their fellow students through an authentic election process. The investiture ceremony was held to formally invest the elected Captains and house captains in the presence of our school correspondent Mrs. Mary Benny.

SPORTS :

The spirit, the will to win and the will to excel are the things that endure. These qualities are so much important that our school provides ample opportunities to develop in every possible way. On the 11th August, 2017, our school hosted its 21st Annual Sports Meet, the day was filled with fervor and excitement as the School pupil leader J. Divya led the school March past , it was a magnificent show of order and discipline. The Chief Guest for the day was Mr.FrancisMuthiah, Former state Football player. The overall championship trophy was bagged by Staineshouse this year. Our school students participated in the Inter school Green Belt competition conducted by Indiya Veera KalaiMunetraSangam and 14 of them received the certificates.

COMPETITIONS:

Competitions give birth to a lot of success, at Sacred Heart's students are encouraged to participate in various intra and inter school competitions. The aim is to help students understand their strengths and identify what skills they need to improve in this competitive world.The competitions that were conducted in this academic year were:

- Tamil, Hindi and English Handwriting competitions conducted by Kamban Academy.
- Drawing competition conducted by Unlimited store

- Craft with waste material was conducted by Sunfeast company
- All India Maths and Science Talent Exam conducted by Centre of Excellence, New Delhi
- Our school students also participated in the Jawahar Nagar Library reader's circle inter school literary competition and bagged nearly 25 prizes.
- Students participated in the Ecumenical carol singing competition held at Gurukul and won third place among the schools category
- Quiz competition conducted by Ashirvaad company for STD IV and V
- Classmate arranged a spell bee competition for Std V students and the winners were duly rewarded.
- On the Children's Day many competitions were conducted for both the Nursery and Primary students. For the Nursery, Fancy Dress competition, colouring , clay modeling and Singing . Primary classes participated in singing, creative craft work, cooking without fire and Memory verse competition.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES:

Special Assemblies in Sacred Heart's have become an integral part of joyful learning, community building and thought provoking. . Based on this important days like Doctors day, World Literacy day, World disabled day, KalviMembattuThinam and Dr.AbdulKalam'sbirthday were commemorated. Well organized assembly was presented by KG department on the topics, importance of Fruits and vegetables, Festival celebrations and people who help us. To instill good moral in children, Special assemblies on values like Punctuality, Kindness, Cleanliness, obedience, caring, honesty, respect, self-esteem, healthy living, charity, prayer and patience were presented by teachers.

SPECIAL DAYS:

We believe school is an important part of the community. The school thrives because of the community and for the benefit of the community. Hence, we conduct events that foster connections instudents to stay in touch with their community and Mother Nature.Nursery section celebrated Family Day to recognize and appreciate the role of each member in the family.

Parents and grandparents took great interest in attending the program and entertained their kids through songs and stories. Children always love to play in water, water splash day brought such joy and happiness in the face of the tiny tots as they spent the day in the pool with their friends.

The different House days ,Ziegens, Luthers and Staineswere celebrated remembering the great saints and their work towards God and society.

EXCURSION:

School excursions are an important and effective means of motivating students and engaging them in active learning experiences. This year Primary students had a fun filled frolic time at VGP Universal Kingdom, displaying social interaction and responsibility.

SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM:

School health program is envisaged as an important tool for the provision of health education and services to the students and parents. A complete oral check up for all the kids were done by our alumni Student Dr.Devanathan and his team of dental doctors. A free health check up was conducted for school parents by NalamumArogyam team. On the deworming day Children were given deworming tablets by nurses from Primary Health Centre.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

Sacred Heart's is always committed in developing social responsibility in students. We always consider it as important as teaching reading or writing skills. This year too our students visited the MCCC old age home and spent a day with the destitute aged people chatting with them and presenting cultural programs.

SCHOOL FUNCTIONS / CELEBRATIONS:

Apart from the major events, Sacred Heart's children engage in a variety of celebrations throughout the year that help them build cultural and social values, while instilling a sense of togetherness. Some of the festivals, national and international days celebrated at Sacred Heart's include:

- Independence day celebration,
- Teacher's day,

- Children's day,
- Honour Day and
- Founder's day. All these programs were celebrated with great reverence and fervor.
- During Christmas our teachers and children celebrated the festival by donating stationeries, toiletries, note books and lunch kits to less privileged children. Our school celebrated the birth of the Saviour with much zest and veneration performing songs, dance and the Nativity skit.
- Pongal the harvest festival, is a traditional occasion for giving thanks to nature and the farming community. It was celebrated with songs, dance and speech followed by distribution of the sweet pongal to all the students.
- The 20th annual day of the school was celebrated on 4th March 2017 , Mr. Dipson Roy, Head Master, Wesley Higher Secondary school was the chief guest and presided over the function which was followed by a colourful presentation of the cultural programs, a component of the celebration is Annual prize distribution, winners and performers of various competitions are honoured. It is not out of place to mention that the parents also take keen interest in these celebrations and encourage children to develop in their talents.

LEARNING FESTIVAL:

The learning festival furnished a good platform for the students to exhibit their learnings. Students felt great ownership of their work because they wanted to make a difference and they knew their work would have an audience beyond their teachers. Not only were the students and parents energetic, but teachers were incredibly enthusiastic and proud of their students.

PARENTS INTERFACE:

Parents are usually the first people a child learns to trust. Developing a healthy relationship between parent and child is very important. This was reaffirmed in the parents seminar conducted on the topic 'Mindful Parenting', The resource person Dr. Vasuki Mathivanana renowned counselor and psychologist gave a detailed insight on the different methods of parenting, its advantages and disadvantages. At this juncture, I would also like to

thank the kindergarten teachers for arranging a Family Counselling Seminar for our school parents, in which I had an opportunity to share about the 'Secrets Of Living A Happy Family'.

A farewell function was organized for Mrs. Jean Lazaro on her retirement last year. She served the institution for 21 long years from the time of inception of the school with her dedicated and loyal service. We wish and pray she will be blessed with as peaceful and happy Retired life.

CONCLUSION:

Finally before I conclude my report, when I reflect upon God's leading hand in every activity of our school this year, I cannot help but say, "Praise God".

I remember with gratitude our Dear Correspondent for her guidance and encouragement extended to us. Let me place on record my thanks and appreciation for the boundless support and co-operation that I enjoy from my Head Mistress Mrs. Sheeba Storey and a very special thanks are due to my very positive, co-operative and hard working team of teaching and non-teaching staff.

I thank the parents who have made a conscious decision to choose Sacred Heart's as their preferred Nursery and Primary school option for their children. I'm always indebted to your unstinting support you provide both in the development of your children and in the conduct of various activities in school.

My thanks are due to the school captain R. Divya, Vice-captain Landen Dominic and captains of the three houses for their assistance in the smooth functioning of the school. Students, you are the heart of our school and you are the inspiration for us all. It's you who got us ticking again whenever we feel tired and low. You are the decisionmakers, negotiators and problem solvers. We love you all and thank you for creating our school into a lovely garden filled with fragrant flowers.

On the recollection of so many great favour and blessings that we've received, with a great sense of gratitude I offer up my sincere thanks to the Almighty, the creator and the preserver, in whose mighty hands I most humbly entrust our school for the coming year and pray that His abounding mercies may continue to uphold us in all our endeavours.

I conclude with one of my favourite quote,

'Those who leave everything in God's hand will eventually see God's hand in everything.'

Thank You & God Bless You

Good evening to one and all,

Esteemed Chief Guest of the day, Mrs. Sylvia Grace, Headmistress, TELC Magdalene girls Higher secondary School, Special guest Rev Dr. Jacob Sundersingh, Pastor TELC Bethel Church, Mrs. Catherine Rajkumar, patron of our school Mrs. Benny, correspondent of Sacred heart's School, Mr. Rajasekaran Chennai metro area manager, SBI Life , parents, well wishers teaching and non-teaching staff and dear children .

A warm welcome aboard to everyone arrived here today.

As we approach to the end of this academic year and our 21 years of service providing quality education since our inception in 1997, we take this opportunity to thank the Almighty Lord for his abundant blessings and guidance all through this academic year.

There is a great saying education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world.

As we share the yearly updates of our activities, we take the modesty to say that we did our best organizing and executing every program in accordance with what we had planned we have focussed on the holistic development in every student of ours.

We are really proud of our students and teachers who strive hard to achieve much beyond expectations. I'm glad to present the video format of our school annual report for the year 2017-18 in this august gathering this evening. Sit back watch and appreciate .

Before I request all parents to stay back till the end of the cultural program which we plan to hopefully complete before 8.15pm . Every child and teacher taken utmost pain to prepare every program, Your presence till end will always be a source of inspiration and motivation for them. Sacred Heart's parents are always special and never compromise in their commitment and co-operation .

Thank You

