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Principal's Message

Do not be afraid of dreaming big and living your lives to the fullest.



'A bird sitting on a tree, is never afraid of the branch breaking because her confidence is not in the branch but in its wings.' You might have seen a bird sitting on a small and thin branch of a tree. It is not frightened that it might fall. The bird has excellent self-confidence because it knows that it will fly away without much effort if the branch breaks. The bird's trust is not in the branch but in its wings. So, first and foremost believe always in yourself.

The story of Karthyayani Amma from Kerala inspired me a lot. She shot to fame in 2018 after she scored 98 out of 100 marks, bagging the first rank in the examination under the Kerala Literacy Mission's 'Aksharalaksham' or 'The Million Letter program'. Karthyayani Amma was 97 years old when she achieved this feat. She had never gone to school and used to work as a domestic help and cleaning staff. She has never been to a hospital and has never once taken a pill. She doesn't even require a reading glass. She washes her clothes and cleans the small courtyard in front of her house every day. It is this discipline, that marks Karthyayani Amma's efforts to realize her great ambition. It is never too late to start dreaming. It is this unflinching spirit that made the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) recognize the lady, just three years short of 100, for her achievement. COL awarded a certificate to Karthyayani Amma which stated that she is an inspirational model for lifelong learning. "You have shown that education and learning can be a joyous activity, defying age and circumstance."

There are a lot of talks today about positive thinking. I believe that positive thinking must be a part of our lives. Karthyayani Amma is a great example for us to think positively. Age was just a number to her. In the present scenario, we must think positively about ourselves and our possibilities than negativity. We must focus on future possibilities. Many of us are guilty of using age as an excuse to reject or make light of a situation. We often hear people say "I am too old to learn new things", "I am older and 20 kgs heavier so won't be able to keep up". Karthyayani Amma is an inspiration to us not to think about age. At the age of 97, she still wants to continue her education. The starting point of great success and achievement has always been the same. It is for you to, "Dream big dreams." There is nothing more important, and nothing that works faster than for us to cast off our limitations and begin dreaming and imagining the wonderful things that we can become and have and do. A wise man once said, "You must dream big dreams, for only big dreams have the power to move the minds of men." When we begin to dream big dreams, our level of self-esteem and self-confidence will increase immediately. Moreover, our self-image improves and makes us feel more positive about ourselves and our abilities to deal with any situations in our lives. The reason so many people accomplish so little is that they never allow themselves to let go and imagine the kind of life that is possible for them.

Let us be motivated by Karthyayani Amma and remain positive, dream big and try to achieve our dreams.

Rev. Fr Rohan D' Almeida SJ
Principal



Thank You

Rev. Fr Joseph Rodrigues SJ
Former Rector



Rev. Fr Vijayaraju SJ
Former Finance Officer



Rev. Fr Joseph D'Souza SJ
Current Rector

Welcome



Rev. Fr John Bosco SJ
Current Finance Officer

Congratulations

10 A, 2021-22



10 B, 2021-22



Congratulations

Class 10 CBSE Board Examination 2022-23 Toppers

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MATHEMATICS

RISHIT GUPTA
100%

VIGNESH POOVANNA **DHRUV RAJGOPALAN**
99%

AMAN KUMAR TAMA KHUWALA
98%

Congratulations

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SCIENCE

SHREYAS PALANEER **SWASTIK**
97%

RISHI SAMUEL **DHRUV RAJGOPALAN** **VIGNESH POOVANNA**
95%

Congratulations

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LANGUAGE -2

YUKTHI
97%

RISHIT GUPTA
96%

SWASTIK
95%

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ENGLISH

RISHIT GUPTA **SIMON**
100%

YUKTHI K S **SWASTIK** **VIGNESH POOVANNA**
99%

LUTHI SAMAL **NITHASHREE** **SUSHMITHA ROY** **ABDUL KAZAK** **DHRUV RAJGOPALAN**
96%

Congratulations

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SOCIAL SCIENCE

RISHIT GUPTA **VIGNESH POOVANNA**
100%

SHREYAS PALANEER **YUKTHI**
99%

Congratulations

GROW GREEN GO CLEAN

World Environment Day on the theme-Only One Earth was celebrated on 9 June 2022. The chief guest, Dr. K Mohammed Sheriff, and Fr. Principal urged the students to keep nature serene and away from pollution in their addresses. A musical skit performed by the students to convey the importance of planting more trees and protecting the environment was thought-provoking. The environment conservation pledge was delivered symbolically and in a creative manner. The students then tied the environmental pledge tags to a plant to promote the importance of saving our Earth.



TORCH BEARERS OF TOMORROW



For the first time, the school opted to finalize the Student Council members democratically through an election. Students were encouraged to file their nominations based on their performance in academics and co-curricular activities; nominated students wrote manifestos on how they would serve as a leader and make a difference. Their fellow students campaigned for their preferred leader. The election was held systematically on 13th June 2022. The Investiture Ceremony of the newly elected Student Council was on 17th June 2022. The

Principal officially welcomed the Captains, Vice Captains and administered the oath to the leaders.

INAUGURAL MASS

The Inaugural Mass to mark the beginning of the new academic year was celebrated on 15th June at the Inigo Sadan Chapel. The Catholic Staff and students from classes 1 to 10 participated in the Holy Eucharist. The Mass celebrant was our beloved Rector, Rev. Fr Joseph D'souza. The celebrant urged everyone to begin the academic year well, putting their whole-hearted efforts into all the school activities.



CURRICULUM DAY

Curriculum Day, a platform for parent-teacher interaction at the beginning of the academic year, was held on 18th June for the academic year 2022-23. Parents of the students from Kindergarten to Class 10 were made aware of the program of work & activities for the entire academic year. Class teachers briefly explained to the parents the curriculum, activities, discipline, rules & regulations through an interactive session. Curriculum Day facilitates awareness among the parents about the comprehensive teaching-learning process, evaluation, and follow-up that includes a curriculum pacing guide aligned to the CBSE syllabus.





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA

A meditation session to set the tone for the International Yoga Day celebration was organized on 15th June 2022 for the students of classes 8 to 10. The facilitator was Dr. V K Kansal, Co-founder of Samarpan Yoga. International Yoga Day was observed on 21st June through a special assembly by the students of Class 9 to emphasize the importance of Yoga in our fast-paced lives. Students were made aware that Yoga is an invaluable gift from India to the rest of the world. A display of a series of Asanas by the students of classes 6 to 8 that help improve one's agility and flexibility and strengthen one's spiritual, mental, and physical well-being..



ANNUAL PRIZE DAY



The Annual Prize Day for classes 1 to 10 was organized on 24th June 2022 to recognize and encourage academic excellence and hard work. It was a moment of pride for all the academic achievers who had consistently performed well throughout the last academic year 2021-22. Former IAS Officer Mr. M Lakshminarayana, the Chairman of Karnataka Panchayat Delimitation Commission, was the chief guest; the Rector of SJII, Rev. Fr Joseph D'Souza, presided over the

function. The importance of education was highlighted through a spectacular mime depicting the life of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. Meritorious students were happy to receive the medals and certificates as a token of appreciation in the presence of their parents.

A NEW ADVENTURE ON THE PATH OF SUCCESS

St. Joseph's School welcomed the first batch of class 11 students and their parents on 2nd July 2022 through an orientation and inter-religious prayer service. The chief guest for the day was Dr. Abraham Ebenezer, an Educationist, Social reformer, and Author of the book 'A Journey in Leadership.' Dr. Ebenezer spoke about the tripod of success; support and efforts of parents, teachers, and students depicting the three legs of a tripod, need to be in synergy to achieve success. The Rector and the Principal guided the audience through the inception and legacy of St Joseph's Institutions, its emblem, motto, and core values in their addresses. The program concluded with a school tour and interaction between the staff and parents.





AIKYAM

An Inter-Religious Prayer service on the theme 'AIKYAM' meaning 'Oneness', was organized on 8th July. Mr. Harman Sethi, a founding member of the Bangalore Sikh Youth, Public Relations Officer for Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha, and Ms. Margret, Director of IRHM, Ashirvaad, were the chief guests on this significant occasion.

Students sang and read passages from holy books of various religions. A thoughtful video presentation enlightened the students that all religions preach and promote AIKYAM. The chief guests addressed the gathering and insisted on respecting all religions/faiths and living in harmony.



POSITIVE PARENTING SESSION



Though life has been returning to normalcy after the pandemic, it has brought challenges and drawbacks in terms of academics and behavior in students. To address this concern, Positive Parenting Sessions were organized in two sessions on 16th July 2022. The first session by Ms. Maria Reena, in-house Special Educator, catered to the parents of students from LKG to Class 2, focused on positive parenting, types of parenting, child-rearing style, AD(H)D, risk factors, followed by

tips for parents, coping strategies, different styles of learning-teaching and behavior modification. The second session by Ms. Sheela Balan catered to the parents of students from Class 3 to 5 on "Adolescent and Mental Health" which focused on childhood trauma and the emotional needs of children.

UJJWALA - Blood Donation Drive

St Joseph's School as part of Ignatian Year celebration organised a blood donation drive. The drive was spearheaded by Ujjwala in association with Lions Club and Bajaj Avengers Club on 24th July 2022.



FEAST OF ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



The school celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola magnificently.

Ignatian week-themed 'MAGIS' to learn about the Life of St Ignatius and his teachings, was observed by conducting a series of competitions and activities for students, teachers, and parents.

Competitions such as coloring, fancy dress, puppetry, poster making, clay modeling, portrait

making, elocution, dramatization, poetry writing, quiz for students, parents, and teachers, kept the entire school engaged in the thoughts of our Founder, St Ignatius.

Novena, in honor of St Ignatius of Loyola, was recited during the assembly for nine consecutive days. A special assembly was organized on 29th July at school. The members of the staff of SJII and their families joined the festal celebration on 31 July 2022 in the auditorium.

BETTER EYES FOR BETTER LIFE

St Joseph's School organized 'Ujjwala' Eye Checkup Camp for the students of the Government School in Srirampura on 28th July.

Equipped with the necessary tools, well-experienced ophthalmologists carried out the eye camp with the support of teacher volunteers of SJS. Around 160 students, including fourteen students from Need-Based India, benefitted from this Eye check-up camp. Free spectacles were distributed to those who needed them. Students who needed further medical intervention were referred to specialized doctors. The Head Master of the Government School, Mr. Chandraiah, expressed his gratitude and said he was overwhelmed by the initiative.



PLAY THE DAY AWAY

Fun n Frolic Day for the tiny tots was organized on 29th July 2022. The theme chosen was 'Food' to help the little Josephites learn about healthy and unhealthy food through various activities. The enthusiastic students came dressed in bright and colourful outfits. The event was inaugurated by

servicing healthy dry fruits to the dignitaries, followed by a welcome speech by a Pre-primary student. A student from each KG section gave a brief description of the importance of food, healthy and unhealthy food. A healthy food ramp walk by the little Josephites wearing the cut-outs of fruits and vegetables stole the limelight. Hands-on fun learning activities and peppy music played enthused the tiny tots. The much-appreciated Fun n Frolic Day concluded with all the little Josephites taking home a handmade fruit basket.



PTM

The first Parent Teacher Meeting for the academic year 2022-23 was held on 6 August for classes 1 to 10. Parents received feedback on their wards' performance in the First Periodic Assessment from class teachers. PTM-1 was a fruitful interaction between parents and teachers.



AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

Independence Day 2022, which marks 75 years of Freedom-*Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*, was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotism by the Josephites on 15th August.

SJII campus reverberated with patriotism as tricolors beautified the premises; proud Josephite, Cmdr. C.D. Balaji, a distinguished Scientist, Chairman of K Tech CoE A and D, graced the occasion as the chief guest. The Rector, Rev. Fr Joseph D'Souza SJ, presided over the function in the august presence of the Institutional Heads of St Joseph's Indian Institutions. Several cultural events witnessed participation by students from all units of SJII.



ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary is celebrated. This holy day marks the occasion of the Virgin Mary completing the course of her earthly life, which assumed body and soul into heavenly glory. A video depicting the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was uploaded on School's YouTube channel. A holy mass was celebrated in the chapel to commemorate this celebration.



EYE CHECK UP CAMP

SPANDANA - Centre for Social Concern

Spandana, Centre for Social Concern of St Joseph's Indian Institutions organized an Eye checkup camp from 16th to 19th August at school. The camp was inaugurated on 16th August by lighting the lamp, symbolizing eye-the light of the body. Ten well-resourced ophthalmologists with the latest eye examination equipment screened the vision of around 2000 students and staff. The camp helped to reduce the development of critical eye problems at a later stage and to understand the importance of preserving vision for life.



KARATE WORKSHOP



On 24th August 2022, our school in association with SCEAD, organised a Karate workshop in the School Boardroom. The facilitator for the day was Grand Master Kevin Funakoshi. Sensai Kevin Funakoshi is a certified Hachi Dan (8th Dan) under Black Belt Hall of fame inductee and founder of FSKA Shihan Kenneth Funakoshi.

SCIPLORE - THE SCIENCE EXHIBITION

St. Joseph's school organized SCIPLORE- Science Exhibition on 27th August 2022. The exhibition aimed to explore and integrate science into our daily lives. The chief guest for the event was Mr. Jacob Crasta, Chairman of CM Envirosystems Pvt Ltd; Rev. Fr Joseph D'Souza, the Rector of SJII, presided over the function. Rev. Fr Rohan D'Almeida addressed the gathering and encouraged the students to explore and discover the science behind the day-to-day activities. Students from Classes 1 to 10 participated in the event. Students presented working models and displays on the latest development in science & technology, agriculture, apiculture, mushroom culture, and medicinal plants were highly appreciated by parents. The mobile planetarium show and a gigantic art installation made of used plastic bottles stole the limelight.



JOLLY JOEYS

Rainbow Day

Fun is just another word for Learning at St Joseph's School. The first ever Fun Day- 'Jolly Joeys' for Classes 1 & 2, was held on 2nd September 2022 under the guidance of the beloved Principal, Rev Fr Rohan D'Almeida. In keeping with the weather and mood of September, 'Rainbow' was chosen as the theme.

Students came dressed in different colors of the Rainbow. The teachers had set up a creative photo corner with a rainbow and floating clouds. The little Josephites took turns to get their photos clicked with their class teachers. There were dance, games, and coloring activities. The students took home a rainbow wall hanging which they colored and gave a 3D effect using cotton clouds. True to its name, Jolly Joey was filled with laughter and joy, coloring the school more brightly than any rainbow in the sky.



SHAPERS OF TOMORROW

The school celebrated Teacher's Day in September. The chief guest for the day was Ms. Jennifer Andrews. The Student Council members and students brought forth the significance of the day and displayed their talents through various cultural performances. Students expressed their gratitude by honouring all teachers with certificates, appreciating their role and contribution to the school.



HINDI DIWAS

The language and culture of any country play an integral role in helping people connect and making a nation strong. Hindi is a language of love, togetherness, and brotherhood. Hindi Diwas was celebrated on 14th September 2022 to pay tribute and mark the importance of the language in our country. The chief guest, Dr. Anjali Jain, and the Principal, Fr Rohan D'Almeida, addressed the gathering on the significance of the Hindi language. An enthralling dance, melodious songs, and elocution by the students was the highlight of the day.



JESCOL - II JESUIT LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP



Ms. Jennifer Bernard and Ms. Nirmala Briggs attended the ADVANCED JESCOL II on “Jesuit Leadership” in Ashirvad. It was a three-day workshop covering the key aspects of Jesuit Leadership, attended by collaborators in leadership roles across Jesuit Institutions in Bengaluru. Ignatian worldview and ideals, Depth Conversation, Jesuit Leadership, Ignatian Decision, and Journey into self were some topics covered in the workshop. The session was an eye-opener as everyone could evaluate their current role

as mentors from an Ignatian perspective. The sessions were engaging with presentations and group discussions after every specific topic covered by an expert. The group discussed non-negotiable dimensions of Jesuit education that emphasized everyone present was committed to "Forming men and women for and with others" in Jesuit schools/colleges. The workshop concluded on the third day with an 'Examination of Consciousness' recharging the participants with an Ignatian outlook on Leadership.

CREATIVE THINKERS AND IMPRESSIVE EXECUTORS

15th September observed as Engineer's Day, marks the birth anniversary of Sir M Visvesvaraya, one of the eminent engineers of India. St Joseph's School organized a seminar for the students of class 11 to commemorate Engineers Day. The key points covered were the importance of Engineers' work, engineering in the real-world, application of science concepts we learn, and types of Engineers (Software, aerospace, automobile, etc.). The main highlight was the role of commerce in the field of Engineering. The speaker also addressed the myth that 'Engineering is only for Science' and gave a brief insight into HR, Fintech & Digital Marketing/Banking. The resource person pointed out that 'Banking is required, not Banks' to convey that digitalizing money is the way to go.



JESCOL

Seminar for the New Teaching Staff

A JESCOL seminar to educate the new staff about the life and teachings of the founder, St. Ignatius of Loyola, was organized on 23rd September 2022 in the school auditorium. The resource persons were the lay collaborators from various St Joseph's Indian Institutions Units, who were guided and mentored by Fr Joseph Vaz and Fr Jossie D'Mello. Around 84 staff members learnt about the importance and relevance of Ignatian values at the Jesuit institutions.



THE ART OF WRITING

Pre primary teachers attended a workshop on the importance of handwriting on 26th September 2022. The resource person was the in-house Counsellor, Ms. Roslin Richard. She conveyed that though good handwriting may be the last thing on a student's mind, teachers must encourage students must adopt good handwriting to become confident. The topics covered were highly motivating and a great learning experience for all.



GROUP DYNAMICS FOR THE STAFF

A workshop on Group Dynamics was conducted on 27th September 2022 for all the members of staff at St Joseph's School. The resource person was Fr. Victor Felix SJ, Assistant Professor and Campus Minister at St. Aloysius College, Mangalore. The workshop was an enriching one that brought out simple everyday chores into the light of theories and concepts of psychology. Each segment of the workshop focused on a unique aspect of oneself, individually and in a group.



SPORTS CHAMP ON VICTORY PODIUM

The Annual Athletic Meet was organized and conducted in two sessions on 22nd October 2022. The chief guest for the Inaugural Ceremony was Mr. Anil Aldrin, an Olympian, Former Indian Hockey Team captain, and a Josephite. The Rector of SJII, Fr Joseph D'Souza, emphasized the importance of Sports and exhorted the students to excel in Sports in his address. One of its kind, March Past by the parents led by the PTA-Vice President, Mr. Kamal Govindraj, was the highlight. Students from various Jesuit Institutions across Karnataka participated in the Inter-Jesuit School relay. The chief guest for the Closing Ceremony was Mr. Shekar Naik, Padmashree Awardee and Former Captain of the Indian Blind Cricket team was a great inspiration for the young Josephites. Mr. Naik encouraged the students to grab every opportunity to move forward with courage and determination to be successful.

The audience was awestruck and enthralled by the teamwork and coordination of the Josephites, who stole the show with perfectly synchronized display drills. Ruby House bagged the 'Overall Championship' and the 'Best March Past' Award; the 'Parachute Drill' by Class 1 & 2 earned the 'Best Drill Display' award.



Circle of Excellence INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition

The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition essay was held by the Royal Commonwealth Society in June 2022 under two Categories Juniors and Seniors. Thousands of young writers including the students from SJS participated in it. A panel of juries from the United Kingdom judged the essays and the following students made a mark in the competition:

Junior Category :

AARYAMAN B.H - Gold Certificate

And PRAGYAN KANDWAL - A participation Certificate

Senior Category :

NAMITHA PATHURI

SHRAVYA D. SUVARNA

Dedication + Motivation = Success International Benchmark Test

St Joseph's School has adopted the International Benchmark Test (IBT), conducted by one of the world's leading educational research centers, the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER), to diagnose, analyze and compare student learning against global benchmarks.

The International Benchmark Tests is an internationally administered program of assessments to compare student performance globally, between grades and over time. Students from classes 6 to 10, are tested for English, Mathematics, and Science. Twenty-five students from SJS participated and excelled in all the subjects. Mohammed Kashif did excellently well by scoring 92% in English.

Alumni Reunion - A legacy that lasts forever

No distance of place or lapse of time can lessen the friendship of those thoroughly convinced by each other's worth. All three batches of SJS alumni met on 13th August after two years of weaving together through different classes, activities, and social events. Reuniting of 'all-school' alumni was an unforgettable event. Almost all the former josephites reunited and participated in various activities throughout the day to create new memories together. The alumni reunion was a resounding success; the founding alumni expressed the thought to make this reunion event a tradition.



STUDENT ACHIEVERS



Lavith Chaturvedi - 6 B

- * He was awarded 4th Kyu Brown -IV Belt for Karate by OKGKS KOKUSAI RENMAI International Organization.
- * He has completed almost 250 kms for 25 days Summer Cycling Challenge organized by Bangalore Randonneurs Club in May 2022.
- * He has bagged First prize in the quiz conducted by Hindustan Scouts and Guides (Karnataka) and has been an All rounder Scout.



Vaishnavi - 7 C

- * She has secured Bronze Medal in Cadet Girls under 44 Kg weight category in 39th State Taekwondo Championship organized by Bengaluru Taekwondo held from 25th-28th August 2022.
- * She has secured two Gold Medals in Poomsae & Kyurogi organized by Decathlon during Decathlon Sports Utsav 2022.



Anya D'Souza - 6B

She has been awarded a Certificate of Achievement for an Outstanding Performance at The IGCI Artistic Gymnastics Invitational Meet held on 10th & 11th September in Chennai.



Rachel Ann Rebello - 6C

She has been selected for the Zonal level in HOTS conducted by Wizklub Olympiad



Abhay Surya - 6 B

He has won 2 Trophies and Medals for Abacus.

TEACHERS ACHIEVEMENT



Ms. Jennifer Maria Andrews was selected as one of the **Global Schools Advocate**, by Global Schools, an initiative of the SDSN (Sustainable Development Solutions Network) in support of UNESCO's Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) for 2030 road-map. Out of 2,000 applicants from 100+ countries, they were pleased to welcome Ms. Andrews on board. She is one of the educators selected out of 300 shortlisted educators from 80 countries, responsible for localizing and integrating global citizenship, sustainability, and 21st-century skills into school communities.



Ms Vijayarani was awarded **Best Teacher** Award by **V Simplify Charitable Trust**. She has also contributed lyrical poems for the famous book "Shiva Mecchida Hoo" and has been awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for her contribution.

ENDORSEMENT OF HARDWORK



St Joseph's School has been certified as a member of the Global Schools Program and a signatory of the School Commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals. The main focus was to encourage primary and secondary schools to adopt Sustainable Development Goals by actively learning about, with, and taking action.



The school was awarded Indo-American Green School Network responsible Education for Sustainable Future in the month of May 2020



St Joseph School has been certified by Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Association World for completing the International Karate and Kumite seminar-2021, under Hanshi: Kevin Lee Funakoshi on 24th August 2022



St Joseph School received a certificate of commendation for the special efforts taken for the successful organization of 'Climate March' on the occasion of World Earth Day, 22nd April 2020, and furthering the course of Right of the Earth and Environment Conservation by the State Director, NYKS, Ministry of Youth and Sports.

NOSTALGIA

St Joseph's School. A place where I learned about true education, true friendship, and the true values of life. The lovely teachers we had, the amusing games we played, the insightful debate & discussions we held, the seminars we attended, the tricks we played on each other, the constant jokes that lit up our monotonous days, the weekly assembly we had at the ground consisting of prayers, dances, and speeches (did I mention speeches?), the fun-filled labs we attended, are all precious pearls carefully treasured in the shell named my heart. I'm very appreciative of all the valuable gifts my school has bestowed upon me. It has played a vital role in shaping today's version of me.

Ah! My happy place is no less than home; my school my Joseph's. The 6 years gestation period nurtured me in a very lovable friendly yet, competitive environment that developed a strong character. I never really put a lot of effort into studying, thanks to all my wonderful teachers, it felt as though learning happened naturally during a happy play session. Looking back, I truly miss the good old days in class, on the ground with the PE teachers and all my friends. Now I yearn to come back. I guess it is what it isonce a Josephite always a Josephite.

Shreyas S Palaneer
Batch of 2021-22

SPORTS CHAMPS



Chaithanya R. Manjunath, Class - 7A
represented St. Joseph's School at

- The 14th State Level School Olympics Athletics Championship 2022 and secured the First place under 12 category with a timing of 22.1 sec.
- Kids Fit India Freedom Under Urban District Athletic Association Held on 21st August 2022 in the category 2 Kms organized by Prithviraj Achievers Sports Academy.



Diganth Mahesh, Class - 7D
Gold Medal
The Bangalore Boxing Club



Gabriel Elisha, Class - 6C
Bronze Medal (Foil) in U-14 Sub junior
Karnataka State Fencing Championship 2022



Parshva, Class - 9B
Bronze Medal, Long Jump U - 16
Karnataka School Olympic Association
Youngsters Sports Promoters Trust.



Vaishnavi, Class - 7C
Bronze Medal
State Level Taekwondo Championship.



STUDENTS' POINT OF VIEW

EVOLUTION OF EDUCATION IN INDIA

Education has progressed in leaps and bounds over the past seventy-five years. The curriculum has improved and the barbaric methods to teach and discipline has seen a change.

- JOSEPH BARNABAS CHARANGHAT
CLASS X 'B'

The education system has evolved gradually yet phenomenally. From a literacy rate of 18% in 1951, we have moved to 73% as of 2011. Currently the education system in India is the strongest and largest in the world hosting more than 315 million students.

- PAYAL S.
CLASS X 'B'

The syllabus under the British rule was limited to common subjects. Post-Independence many subjects have been added to develop each individual's personality.

- PRAGYAN KANDWAL
CLASS 8 'D'

Before colonial rule education was reserved for children of higher caste and taught by a Guru, on gaining Independence education became more inclusive to gain literacy and in 2020 NEP was created to allow a holistic development of students to eradicate illiteracy.

- AAYAMAAN B. H.
CLASS 8 'D'

From slates and chalks, to pens and tablets. From Sanskrit and the Vedas to science and algebra, our education system has improved substantially over the past 7 and half decades. It has allowed students to understand not only the 'what', but also the 'why' behind the concepts taught, allowing them to think outside the box. Overall, it has helped shape the students of today into the architects of tomorrow.

- Rushil H
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ಭಾರತದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆಯು ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯ ಪೂರ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಶೇ ೧೨% ರಷ್ಟು ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿತ್ತು. ಹಲವಾರು ಪ್ರಜ್ಞಾವಂತರು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ಶಾಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಆರಂಭಿಸುವುದರ ಮೂಲಕ ಆಂಗ್ಲ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣವನ್ನು ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಜನರಿಗೂ ತಲುಪುವಂತೆ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಿದರು. ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯದ ಅಮೃತ ಮಹೋತ್ಸವ ವರ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾರತ ದೇಶವು ಶೇ ೭೪.೦೪% ರಷ್ಟು ಪ್ರಗತಿಯನ್ನು ಸಾಧಿಸಿರುವುದು ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ.

- ಸುರಭಿ, ೧೦ನೇ ತರಗತಿ, ಎ

ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯದ ಅಮೃತ ಮಹೋತ್ಸವದ ಹಾದಿಯನ್ನು ನೋಡುವುದಾದರೆ ಶೈಕ್ಷಣಿಕ ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆಯು ಪ್ರಗತಿ ಕಂಡಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಕಾಣುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಭಾರತವು ವಿಶ್ವ ಜಾಗತಿಕ ಪರ್ಯಟನೆಯನ್ನು ನೆನಪಿನಲ್ಲಿಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡು ಇನ್ನೂ ಉನ್ನತ ಸಾಧನೆಯ ಹಾದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮುನ್ನಡೆಯಲು ವಿಶ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಅತಿ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರವಾಗಲು, ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಪದವಿ ಪೂರ್ವ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಉನ್ನತ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಮತ್ತು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ಹಂತಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣದ ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟವನ್ನು ಸುಧಾರಿಸಲು ಹೊಸ ಯೋಜನೆಗಳನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ.

-ಮಯೂರ್.ಜಿ, ೧೦ನೇ ತರಗತಿ, ಎ

आज़ादी के 75 वर्षों में शिक्षा में भारी परिवर्तन हुआ है। महिला साक्षरता दर में सबसे ज़्यादा क्रांतिकारी बदलाव नजर आया है। 7-8 दशक पहले देश में महिलाओं की पढ़ाई को अहमियत नहीं थी। ज़्यादातर लोग बेटियों को स्कूल भेजना पसंद नहीं करते थे, लेकिन अब हालात ठीक उलट चुके हैं। स्वतंत्रता प्राप्ति के पश्चात् भारत की नारियों ने शिक्षा में काफी उन्नति की है। शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में प्रगति होने पर नारियों में चेतना जागृत हुई है और आज की नारी राजनीति, विज्ञान, व्यवसाय, साहित्य और समाज आदि प्रत्येक क्षेत्र में उच्च शिक्षा प्राप्त कर रही है। पहले लोगों की स्मरण शक्ति प्रखर होने से उसे बुद्धिमान माना जाता था, इसीलिए शिक्षा रटने पर आधारित थी। जैसे-जैसे वक्त गुजरता गया पता चलने लगा कि बुद्धिमान वह है जिसकी समझने की शक्ति प्रबल हो और वह ज्ञान को किसी क्षेत्र में प्रयोग कर सके।

“बुद्धिमान को बुद्धि देती और अज्ञानी को ज्ञान।
शिक्षा से ही बन सकता है, मेरा भारत महान ॥”

- कनीज़ फ़ातिमा
कक्षा-दसवीं 'ब'

भारत में ब्रिटिश शासन के दौरान शिक्षा की ज़्यादा परवाह नहीं की गई। जब से हमने आज़ादी हासिल की तब से भारत की शिक्षा परिदृश्य काफी विकसित हुआ है। प्रायोगिकी के हस्तक्षेप इसे पहले से कहीं अधिक आसान और व्यावहारिक बना दिया है। साक्षरता दर जो 1951 में 18%, 2011 में 73% थी अब यह 80% तक हो गई है। नवीन शिक्षा कौशलों की सहायता से हमारा देश 'आत्मनिर्भर भारत' बन रहा है।

- नूरा इरफ़ान
कक्षा-दसवीं 'अ'

STUDENT SUPPORT SYSTEM



“By education, I mean an all-round drawing of the best in child and man in body, mind and spirit.” – Mahatma Gandhi

The above words of Gandhiji uttered decades ago still find resonance and is more relevant in today's age than any of the years gone by. Continuing in his words, “In a democratic scheme, money invested in the promotion of learning gives a tenfold return to the people even as a seed sown in good soil returns a luxuriant crop.” These lines have a deep insight as it takes the meaning of education from merely imparting knowledge to ensuring the knowledge and the learning are fruitful in the lifespan of the child. This is possible only through dedicated and channelled

Student Support System.

Student Support System encompasses all the channels in a school set-up that are focused on students' necessities, in order to provide the required support for academic activity and stimulate personal, social, cultural and cognitive development. Supporting and enhancing the student experience (academic, social, welfare and support) from first contact through to becoming alumni is critical to success in higher education today for both the student and the institution. Education is enriching if a stimulating environment is created for the mind and body of the student, both within the four walls of the classroom and beyond. Some of the support systems which are robustly functional in SJS and should ideally be made mandatory across schools are as follows:

Counselling: Psychological problems are one of the major issues that students face and find hard to deal with. With proper guidance and counselling they are saved from all issues that can negatively impact their studies.

Physical and Health Education: A student's physical and mental well-being should be a priority in any educational set-up. Habits of exercise, sleep, rest, and recreation are systematised in the early years of a student and therefore the school should provide the necessary support through quality Physical and Health Education.

Classroom Environment: A student spends most part of his/her day in the classroom and maintaining a conducive classroom environment forms a large part of the student support system in a school.

Special Education: A Special Educator tailors instruction to meet individual needs. In teaching learning, one size does not fit all. For a teacher to reach out to an individual or a small group as per requirement and vary the teaching to create the best learning experience possible; it's not easy, but it is critical for success.

Based on overall feedback, I can state for sure that the Student Support Systems in St Joseph's School can be counted among the best. This is possible because of the co-operative efforts of the Management, Teachers and Parents.

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