

## ANNUAL REPORT -2016-2017

Distinguished guests of this evening, Ladies and Gentlemen, Good evening to you all! Before we see the year that was, I thank God Almighty for having blessed us to successfully cross several landmark milestones in 2016-17.

I begin with our board exam results of last year. The academic year began with commendable results of classes XII and X. We not only scored 100% results, but added to that, Abimanyu of class XII secured District I Rank, Nitin Reddy was District III. 28 students from class X scored 10 CGPA. They were given certificates from the Board signed individually by the HR Minister.

Orientation Programmes were conducted for Teachers and Parents.

This year our school partnered with Monterey Secondary College, Melbourne, Australia. Vice Principal Mrs. Rincy Jose and I visited our partners for a week, attended Principals' Meets and chalked out future plans. Our visit was reciprocated by Mr. Tom Maccun. Since those reciprocal visits we have partnered with 2 more schools in Melbourne – Aldercourt Primary School and Mahogany Rise Primary School.

Last week we had Principal Stuart of Monterey and Principal Kathie of Aldercourt with us as our Guests of Honour. Accompanying them was Mrs. Gayle, Mr. Stuarts wife. 27\* students of our school will be visiting the partner schools this year. They will be leaving on 24<sup>th</sup> of April on a 10 day visit. The students will be escorted by our senior Head Mistress Mrs. Hilarie Balachandran, HOD Hindi - Mrs. Kalpana Srinivasan and Senior Chemistry teacher and Coordinator Interact Club, Mrs. Sinu Danny.

Dean of Academics and I attended the All India MSSC Meet in Raipur. It has been decided that Madurai will host the National Meet of Principals of Private CBSE Schools world over in the month of November this year. Adhyapana School is in charge of the cultural. Many meetings with other CBSE schools in Madurai in connection with this Meet have been and will be held throughout the year in various venues. Silver Jubilee Function of Association of Managements of Private Schools at Coimbatore was attended by our Dean of Academics, Vice Principal, Primary and KG Coordinators and myself. Being an Executive Committee member at the National Association, I also had undertaken several associated tasks pertaining to this conference.

Prefectorial Investiture Ceremony was held in the month of April 2016 where the Prefects for various classes were elected and Student Pupil Leaders elected there from. Mr. Peter Arokiaraj, State Director- Scouts graced the occasion.

Members of the Interact Club were formally installed on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Rtn. President KKG Prabhakaran, Rtn. Interact Chairman Bala Kannan Rtn. Hanif of the Rotary Club, Madurai West graced the occasion. On the day of the installation, the club paid the fees for two of our students who had recently lost their father. The teacher-coordinator Mrs. Sinu Danny, along with the Interactors toured the city with Mr. Tom Maccun. They visited Neyyam, a school for special children which was adopted by our Interactors. They then decided to donate a water purifier to the school which has since been done. In the month of August, our XI graders, S. Sandhya, Devika Menon and S. Elizabeth attended RYLA programme and won many accolades. Our School hosted TRAC-RYLA with Mr. Ashwath Babu and Mrs. Nargis Farooq who conducted workshops on "How to be a leader" and "Memory Techniques" respectively.

Gala Fete was conducted by our XI grade students on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2016. Various games were conducted. A 'Horror House' was the highlight this year. Rs.33,154 was collected and contributed to the Interact Club for their various Social Service activities.

Two Orientation Programmes were conducted for teacher trainees on CCE methods by the heads. CTET Exam was conducted this year too in our campus. Our Campus has also been chosen to be the centre for NEET Exams 2017 to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> May. Our teachers attended workshops in different fields throughout the year. Cordova Publishers conducted Smart Class Workshop for all the Science teachers. Mrs. Esther and Miss. Karthika attended "Art & Craft" workshop conducted by Pidilite Group at Duke Hotel. Mr. Srinivasa Raghavan, Our Art master also attended a workshop conducted by Camlyn. Mrs. Padmavathy attended workshop conducted by Karadipath Education.Co. Mrs. Janaki and Mrs. Padmavathy attended "Launching of Thulir" –on online learning portal.

Career Guidance classes were conducted for students by Mr. Sugumaran for classes XI & XII and classes VI to VIII separately. Mrs. Anitha Thamarai from Ukraine met XI & XII Biology students to promote medical studies in Ukraine. Mrs. Poonam Venkatesh, Regional Enrolment Advisor, Arizona State University, interacted with students of classes XI & XII on studying in the US.

Under the aegis of SPIC – MACAY, scintillating lecture demonstration of classical Odissi dance was performed by the World renowned dancer Mrs. Arushi Mudgal. Vocalist Smt. Manikuntala Bowmik, Pakhawaj- Sri Shiv Shankar Satpathy and on flute Sri Ravinder Rajput accompanied her for the one and a half hour performance.

As part of education, students of all the classes were taken on field trips to different places.

World Doctors' Day was celebrated with Medical and Dental Camps. World Environment Week and Kargil Victory Day were celebrated with special assembly activities. World Yoga Day was observed. Students performed Yoga and took an oath to do yoga everyday. Talent Fest was conducted for all the classes and certificates distributed to the winners.

Sports Day for the KG, Primary and Senior sections were conducted with Dr. N. Suresh Kumar, Asst. Professor in Clinical Psychology as the chief guest for Kinder Garten and Dr. Sanil Joseph, Ophthalmologist as the chief guest for Primary and Senior School.

Primary School and KG celebrated different colour days and all important festivals of our country.

Subject Weeks were celebrated with utmost enthusiasm. Film Festival week was celebrated early this year. English Week was given the name "A-MUSE" this year. Commerce and Computer Science Departments together named their Week "BEACON" and celebrated the same with pomp. This department is a new entrant this year. Some of the highlights were Debate and Quiz of the BEACON, Kaun Banega Adhyapana Star, Science and English Quizzes and D. R. Iyer Memorial Inter –School Math Quiz with our school participating on non-competitive basis. All the students were given ample opportunities to perform during these weeks and learn thereby.

Intra-House competitions in athletics and other matches like Throw ball, Volley ball and Basket ball were conducted for students and teachers too. Certificates were given to the students. Championships were awarded to deserving students.

Many of our students participated enthusiastically in various competitions conducted by other Institutions and Schools and bagged fabulous prizes. S.K. Shanmukham and Shaurya Verma of class XI participated in a quiz programme conducted by Madura Hr. Sec. School, Madurai. They won a cash prize of Rs.1000/- each. Many of our children received certificates of merit for Science Olympiad. Over-all championship was bagged by our school in three different competitions conducted at different places – First in Science Exhibition conducted by M.K.R.Ayyanadar Jayalakshmi Ammal English Medium School, Championship at CENEXA-2016 conducted by CEOA School and third in Lakshna & Ovia Competitions-2016 at VMJ School. In TNPL Competitions held at Karur, two of our students bagged III Prizes in Tamil and English Elocution. 35 students participated in Ring O’ Bells at St.Michael Matriculation Hr. Sec. School, Madurai. Primary students won the I prize. In Top Young Scientists Fest – 2016 conducted by KMR School, a team of 3 students won II prize and won cash award of Rs.1250/- and certificates. SM Academy conducted Accounts exam, “Accounts Genius” wherein 4 of our students received cash prize of Rs.1000/- each. R. M. Ramaswamy, V. S. Barath Vignesh and B. Aryan of class VIII and I. Shailesh, S. F. Sheik Dawod of class VI participated in “Little Genius” wherein conducted by Vijay TV. They were given a cheque of Rs.10,000/-. Thiruvenkat. S of class XII, Vijayarshini of class X and Sharwin of class V attended Level-V of Ramanujam Math Quest conducted by Mepco Schelenk College of Engineering, Sivakasi – Results awaited. Rishikesh of Std II won the first place in the Camlyn Popular Choice Award competition –Nationally and we are informed now that he has also got the International People’s Choice Award. K.Sahaj Sriram of KG won the first prize in the Dolphin colouring competition at State Level.

At the Radio Mirchi and Pothys State Level Kiddie Fest – Season V, Adhyapana Primary group emerged over all champions winning cash prize of ` 50,000/-.

3 of our students won first three prizes in VII<sup>th</sup> School level Painting Competition conducted by the Ministry of Water Resources, Govt of India. The certificates are yet to be received by us. In 21<sup>st</sup> Anuvrat Painting Competition 2016-17, organised by Akhil Bharatiya Anuvrat Nyas, New Delhi, I & II places were secured by S.Ranganayagy of class XII and M.Karpagalakshmi of class II respectively in different categories. In Camel Art Contest - 2016, the whole school participated. The paintings were sent by post. 18 students have won prizes at the 2<sup>nd</sup> level and have moved up further.

English essays written by Cherish Rajpurohit of class XII and Arundhathi Rajendran of XI were selected in the top 5 essays in Zonal Level, conducted by Shri Ram Chandra Mission in collaboration with the UN and of course moved up to the next stage.

In IX TN State Invitational Karate Championship-2016 conducted by Rotary Club of Virudhunagar YMCA, our students won 3 I Prizes, 6 II Prizes and 4 III prizes. In Second Inter State RYU SHIN KAN SHITO RYU Karate Championship-2017 conducted at TELC School Madurai, 5 of our children bagged I place, 8 II place and 18 III place. This year, 3 students won Orange belts, 3 Yellow belts and 1 Brown belt in Karate.

Raksha Arun of class XI bagged I place in Badminton match conducted by Bharath Montessori, Ilanji. Our School, Under-19 girls bagged Silver medals in Basket Ball and Throw Ball matches conducted by Arumugham Palani Guru School, Rajapalayam and Mahatma Montessori School, Madurai respectively. In MSSC cluster III Athletic Meet conducted at Prassiddhi Vidhyodhaya, Dindigul, our school bagged 10 Bronze medals and 2 Silver medals. K.Srimathy won Silver medal for Chess.

K.Sriram and Puja of class VI bagged many Gold, Silver and Bronze medals in various competitions held at different places in Chess and Table Tennis respectively. K.Sriram also won cash awards. Inter-School Chess Competition was conducted by The Hindu in our campus, headed by the Commissioner of Police. Many schools participated. K.Sriram of class V won the 6<sup>th</sup> place. O.P.Sabari Srinivasan and K. Gokul Kanna of Std.XI – won State level overall championship in Roller Skating and are selected for National Level Competition.

I am proud to announce that only our children but also our teachers have won many prizes. In competitions conducted by Hello FM they bagged the first second and third places in dance competitions and first place in Fashion Show.

One of our parents Mr. R. Sivakumar needed our support to see him through his cancer treatment of the tongue. We would like to thank all the parents for spontaneously and instantly coming forward to make donations towards this cause. We must also appreciate Mr. R. Sivakumar for not taking all the money but just enough for his chemotherapy amount and returning the excess.

It is now my special privilege to announce, before this august assembly, some major changes in our school from the academic year 2017-18. Two of our very eminent teachers are slated to occupy the top positions in our school:-

With the imminent retirement of the 2 seniormost amongst us viz Mrs. Hilarie Balachandran and myself Mrs. Aruna M Visvesvesvar - we have appointed a new Principal and Vice Principal. Our new Principal is a teacher par excellence, totally committed and passionate about her work - a wonderful person; very caring and sharing. Our new VP is a quiet, silent and strong person – a beautiful lady, dignified and meticulous in all she undertakes.

Ladies and Gentlemen – Boys and Girls with great pride and happiness I now present our Principal – Mrs. Rincy Jose and Vice Principal – Mrs. Karuna Krishnan. Of course Hilarie and I are still very much here – Hilarie Mam as Montessori Consultant and myself, in a new Avatar as Correspondent.

I do seek your total co-operation and support to our new school heads.

Thank you.