ANNUAL REPORT: 2022-23

Esteemed dignitaries on the dais, off the dais, parents, well-wishers, teachers and my dear students.

I extend my warm greetings for a blessed and cheerful new year, 2023 and warm welcome to all on the 36th Annual Day Celebrations of St. Mary's Central School, Poojappura, Trivandrum.

Since its inception in 1987, our school has stood by its motto "Domine Illumine Me" and focussed on educating, enlightening and empowering students to help them turn into competent citizens.

On this occasion as we celebrate 36 years of educational excellence, I express my deep reverance in memory of our founder Dr.P.T.Abraham and Co-founder Mrs.Mary Abraham whose visionary instincts have inspired us to surge with greater spirit. May their souls rest in peace.

Now let me proceed to my customary duty of presenting the annual report of the school that gives you a brief roundup of the activities and achievements of the academic session 2022-2023

"Well begun is half done".

Blessing ceremony, performed in both the blocks by Vicar and Assistant Vicars of St. George Orthodox Cathedral on 28th May 2022, marked the beginning of this academic year.

Classes for the new academic year commenced on 1st June.

Academic Excellence:

"Excellence is the result of sincere effort, intelligent direction, skilful execution and the vision to see obstacles as opportunities."

This year too our school secured 100% results in the CBSE Board Examination both in Std X & XII. 100 students appeared for Std X (AISSE) out of which 60 secured Distinction and 18 students secured above 90%.

Std X School Topper–Arpitha Gopal476/500 (95.2%)
Aadith.S bagged the second position with 473 marks (94.6%)
and Anantha Padmanabhan scored 472 (94.4%) – third position.

The toppers of std XII are as follows:

S.J.Jithin – 97 % (Science stream)

Dhuti Nandana – 95.2% (Commerce stream)

New Ventures:

Learning Time – Audio Books:-

I am happy to announce that the management has introduced an innovative learning time audio book for the foundational learners. Learning Time is a tool that focusses on developing creative and critical thinking and problem solving skills in children. It is very interesting that students can click on this audio book with a LT pen which helps them to understand the concepts in the book. They can enhance their skill through a joyful learning method.

Investiture Ceremony:

The new school council was formally inducted on 16th August 2022. Aathmana.V.J and K.Madhesh of Std XII were selected as Head girl and Head boy respectively. Arjun Krishna and Anju G Nair of Std XI were sworn in as Asst. Head boy and Asst. Head girl.

Our former student Ms.Roja.S.Rajan Secured 108th rank in the All India Civil Service Examination 2022. Mrs.Roja S Rajan, IFS was felicitated on 16th August 2022 in the presence of Sri.T.P.Srinivasan IFS Former Ambassador.

Teacher Enrichment Programmes:

An effective teacher is an active and persistent learner who adds up to the existing knowledge with new ideas and experiences. Our teachers constantly strive to stay updated by attending various training and capacity building programmes.

- Mr.P.Devaraj, Director, Cosmic Maths Foundation & Master Trainer, Skill India conducted an orientation class for Maths teachers on 25th May 2022.
- Orientation class was organised for the English teachers on 26th May 2022 by Mrs.Saroja Muralikrishnan, Educationist & Trainer.
- Conducted a motivational workshop for all teachers by Mrs.Beena Nair, Academic Head, Jaipuria school on 30-05-2022.

Teachers attended training on National Education Policy, Experiential Learning. Kindergarten teachers attended workshop on early childhood education. The capacity building programmes attended by our teachers were on subjects like English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, IP, Accountancy, Science, Social Science, Malayalam, Hindi and IT.

House System:

To inculcate team spirit and leadership quality in students, the whole school is divided into 4 houses – Kent, Glamorgan, Somerset & Yorkshire respectively, led by house

mistress and house captains. Inter-house Cultural and Sports competitions were conducted every year to give vent to the multivariate skills embedded in students.

This year Somerset house has secured both cultural and sports championships.

<u>Awareness Programme for Students</u>: Our students participated in Anti-Drug campaign rally "Say No to Drugs, Yes to Life" in the city on 1st Nov 2022.

Skill Development Programme:

Students of Std IX attended a master class on glass blowing by world renowned Russian Glass Blower Mr. Yuri Lenshin which was held at Russian House on 19-12-2022. Students were astonished watching the exhibitions and live sessions by Mr. Yuri Lenshin.

<u>International Olympiad</u>: Students from different grades got exposure at an All India level competitive Olympiad exams in 2022. They were able to enhance and polish their academic skills & capabilities in various subjects like, Maths, Science and GK.

<u>CBSE Expression Series:</u> Students actively engaged in the CBSE expression series. They disseminated their thoughts and opinions on various significant topics.

<u>Veergatha Project:</u> Students paid their respects and homage to martyrs and gallantry award winners of our country creatively and appealingly through drawings, paintings, sketches, videos, poems and essays.

<u>Pareeksha Pe Charcha:</u> Our senior students and faculties participated in pareeksha pe charcha interactive sessions held in the month of December 2022. They voiced their thoughts & experiences regarding the forthcoming examination and assessment system.

Anti-Corruption Essay Writing Competition: Students of secondary and senior secondary classes participated in the All India Essay writing competitions conducted by CBSE and Central Vigilance Commission (CVC). Students expressed their concerns regarding the social evils of corruption and ways and means to tackle it.

<u>Sahodaya Arts and Sports Fest 2022:</u> Our students showcased literary and artistic creative flairs at 'Scintilla 2022' conducted on 25th, 26th and 27th August 2022 at Christ Nagar Senior Secondary School, Thiruvallom. Our children bagged prizes in many items.

Kalathilakam Title for category IV was secured by Aathmana.V.J of Std XII B

<u>State Level Sahodaya Kalotsav</u>: Our students bagged 3rd prize in mime among more than 30 teams from different schools for the state kalotsav on 27th November held at Carmel CMI public school, Vaazhakulam, Ernakulam.

<u>Sahodaya Sports Meet</u>: Students participated in various events like athletics, skating, Cricket, Badminton tournaments and bagged few prizes and medals. Our school team secured runners up trophy for the skating events.

<u>Sahodaya Kids Fest on 7th January 2023:</u> Our tiny-tots participated in the Kids Fest and bagged prizes and certificates.

Other School Activities:

Several co-curricular activities were conducted in the school to facilitate holistic development of the child's personality.

- ❖ Melody Time: A song purely comes from the melody in the heart, down through the ages, singing has been made the mode of expression of all people. Marian had an enthralling melodious experience after 2 years of covid situation. Budding singers Drupath & Hari enthralled all of us 4th June 2022. Marians were thrilled and refreshed with the music gala.
 - ❖ Environment day observed on 5th June 2022. Saplings were planted in the school premises by the members of Eco Club.
 - ❖ Magic Show: By Mrs.Rema Jeevan, from Muthukad Magic Academy enthralled the kids on June 7th by excellent magic performance. The tiny tots and the first graders were in for a pleasant surprise.
 - ❖ International Day of Yoga observed on 21st June 2022 that included yoga demonstration.
 - ❖ International day against drug abuse and illicit trafficking was observed on 26th June.
 - ❖ Independence day celebrated on 15th August. Capt. Pramod Kumar, Academic Supervisor hoisted the National flag.
 - ❖ Teachers' day and Children's day were celebrated on 3rd September and 14th November respectively in great fervour.
 - ❖ Onam was celebrated on 3rd September. Inter house thematic competitions were held to commemorate the importance of the occasion.
 - ❖ The Inter house cultural competitions were conducted on 29-10-2022.
 - Science Exhibition was conducted on 5th November 2022 that gave vent to the creative and scientific skills of students.
 - ❖ A multilingual manuscript was compiled by the students of Std IV to VIII.

❖ The 36th Annual Sports Meet was inaugurated by Mr.Prakash.K.S, Inspector, NRI cell &Hi-Tech Cell, Police Head Quarters, Trivandrum on 19th November. Students participated in various track & field events.

❖ Christmas was celebrated on 20th and 21st December in the junior and senior block respectively. − Pastor Vipin Babu Mount Olive Church of God, Trivandrum delivered the Christmas message. Inter-house Competitions were held depicting the Birth of Jesus Christ.

Inter-School Competitions & Achievements:

Our students secured many prizes for different competitions organised by different agencies.

<u>United Christian Movement conducted Cultural Competition on 8th October</u> 2022. Our students secured many prizes:

Our school bagged the overall championship trophy for the Senior Secondary Section.

Outreach programmes of the school

Several Outreach programmes were initiated by our school management to offer support to the needy & under privileged. Medical assistance, wedding assistance for financially backward girls, food packets to the needy, charity for social work, building house assistance for adivasi, onasadya and Christmas lunch at old age homes and educational aid were provided to help the financially backward. This has amounted to around Rs.2,60,000/-.

Conclusion:

Let me conclude the annual report by thanking all the dignitaries on the dais for accepting our invitation and being a part of this function.

Thank you.

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Place: Trivandrum Date: 21-01-2023