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From Your Principal...



Richard Riley, the former United States Secretary of Education, once remarked, "We are currently preparing students for jobs that don't yet exist using technologies that haven't been invented... in order to solve problems we don't even know are problems yet."

This statement holds enormous relevance in today's context. One study suggests that 65% of children entering primary school today will ultimately end up working in completely new jobs which doesn't exist yet. This situation underscores the importance of equipping children with skills that will be relevant in the future, such as critical thinking, creativity, adaptability, and digital literacy. Additionally, fostering a love for lifelong learning will enable them for the uncertainties of their future careers.

Mr Sabeer Bhatia, a Josephite, who co-founded the first free web-based email service, Hotmail.com in 1996 visited our school recently. He suggested to me that we must equip our students with the skills. Every day I see the students rushing to the school in the morning either from the online or offline tuitions and sit in the class and again listen to the teachers and go back to the Tutorials in the evening. When I interact with the teachers their main concern is about completing the syllabus, prepare the students for exams and announce the



results. To navigate the complexities of both present and future with assurance and effectiveness, the students of today must cultivate a range of skills that will serve them well.

At St Joseph's School CBSE, we are trying to help students to equip themselves with specific and essential skills so that they are future ready. I would like to highlight some of those skills.

Firstly, critical thinking stands out as essential, involving the objective assessment of information, the evaluation of arguments, and the formulation of logical conclusions.

Secondly, Effective communication is also crucial, as it enables individuals to express ideas, build relationships, and promote collaboration. By refining their ability to convey thoughts clearly and engage in active listening, students improve their capacity to communicate well.

Thirdly, Team work and collaboration In our interconnected world, to collaborate with peers and work towards shared objectives are very important. When we collaborate and work in a team understanding and valuing diverse perspectives, experiences, and cultures is imperative. Fostering cultural competence and global awareness nurtures empathy, respect, and understanding, which are vital for effective collaboration in multicultural settings and for collectively addressing global challenges. The ability to recognize and manage emotions, comprehend others' viewpoints, and enable interpersonal relationships is essential. Enhancing emotional intelligence not only improves social and emotional skills but also fosters healthy relationships.

Fourthly, encouraging experimentation and risk-taking equips students to recognize opportunities, innovate solutions, and pursue their aspirations with enthusiasm. We need to equip the students with creativity, initiatives, resilience, and a readiness to embrace calculated risks.

Fifthly, in a contemporary digital era, we need to guide our students to have technological literacy which is essential in achieving success. Mastery of technology tools and platforms, comprehension of digital systems, and the ability to adapt to technological innovations enable students to confidently navigate digital environments and utilize technology for problem-solving and effective innovation. We also need to help the students to be aware of the digital media addictions and cyber-crimes.

Sixth, Stress management. In a competitive world students are exposed to a wide range of potentially stressful situations which could negatively affect their academic achievement and their mental health. Adaptability and resilience are characterized by the capacity to accept change, surmount obstacles, and recover from difficulties are essential qualities needed for the students. By nurturing these qualities, we educators and parents can provide students with necessary flexibility and mental strength to handle uncertainty and welcome new challenges.

Seventh, Caring for our common home is another skill that we need to equip our students as we are facing so many challenges such as climate change, ecological imbalance, extinction of species. We need to equip of our future citizens the necessary skill of taking care of the environment which is essential for our survival.

We as the management and the teaching faculty are empowering students to equip themselves with these skills which are very essential for their future. Thus, we can ensure that our students are well-prepared for the future and ready to influence it positively.

Outstanding Achievement in 2023-24 CBSE Board Exams

St. Joseph's School proudly celebrates 100% results for both Class 12 and Class 10 in the 2023-24 CBSE Board Exams. Class 12 Results: The first batch of 54 students excelled, with 11 out of 35 Science students and 6 out of 19 Commerce students achieving Distinctions. The rest secured First Class. Class 10 Results: All 97 Class 10 students passed, with 30 earning Distinctions and the rest securing First Class.









Congratulations



St. Joseph's School:

Awarded the Best Higher School at the Karnataka Educational Awards 2024!

St. Joseph's School has achieved the prestigious Best Higher School Award at the Karnataka Educational Awards 2024, reflecting its commitment to educational excellence. Under the visionary leadership of Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, the school is scaling greater heights each passing year. This accolade epitomises the tireless dedication and collective effort that elevate St. Joseph's School to unparalleled heights in education.



"Guiding Brilliance: Fr. Rohan D' Almeida Honoured as Dynamic Principal of the Year 2024"

St. Joseph's School proudly celebrates the remarkable achievement of its visionary leader, Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, who received the Dynamic Principal of the Year 2024 award from the Education News Network. This accolade reflects his unwavering dedication, innovative leadership, and transformative impact on education. Fr. Rohan's commitment to academic excellence and holistic development has inspired both students and educators, setting a gold standard in leadership. Under his guidance, St. Joseph's School has flourished, nurturing a community of lifelong learners and shaping future leaders with compassion and integrity.





"Charting New Horizons: Welcoming the Class XI Journey!"

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." – Nelson Mandela

On 15 May 2024, St. Joseph's School conducted an Orientation Programme for Class XI students. The Principal, Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, addressed the gathering and underscored the importance of faith, resilience, and personal growth. The programme featured a video introduction to the campus and staff, followed by an explanation of the curriculum and school policies by the Academic Coordinator, Ms. Nimala Briggs and PE coordinator Mr Martin respectively. The session concluded with engaging team-building activities led by the counsellor, Ms. Sheila Emmanuel, fostering camaraderie and enthusiasm for the academic year ahead.



"Unlocking Language: English workshop at St Joseph's"

"Words have the power to inspire and illuminate." - Ms. Ruchi Yadav

On 24 May 2024, St. Joseph's School organised an English workshop led by Ms. Ruchi Yadav from Oxford University Press. The session introduced the new National Curriculum Framework (NCF) and offered practical strategies for using textbooks and the Oxford Educate software. Teachers gained valuable insights into integrating technology for experiential learning, reinforcing language as a creative and educational tool.



"Igniting Curiosity: Science Workshop at St. Joseph's"

"Every brilliant experiment starts with an act of imagination." – Jonah Lehrer

The school hosted a science workshop presented by Ms. Surbhi Sinha from Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Vidya Mandir. The session emphasised competency-based education, experiential learning, and the integration of AI into the science curriculum. Ms. Sinha highlighted innovative teaching methods to engage students effectively. The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks, leaving participants inspired to incorporate these approaches into their classrooms.





Empowering Educators: Capacity Building Program at St. Joseph's"

"Teaching is a noble profession that shapes the future." - P. J. Abdul Kalam

On 28 May 2024, St. Joseph's CBSE School conducted a Capacity Building Programme for teachers, led by Ms. Priti Ssoota and Ms. Ramya Suhas Udupa. Introduced by Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, the session covered mental health and modern teaching strategies. Teachers were motivated to become 'Wellness Ambassadors,' and the event concluded with a 'Teacher's Pledge' dedicated to supporting student well-being.





Staff Orientation with Fr. Cyprian: Reflect, Grow, Embrace Technology

On 1 June, St. Joseph's School held its first Staff Orientation session, led by Fr. Cyprian. The day focused on personal and professional growth, aligning staff with the school's mission and Jesuit values. Fr. Cyprian encouraged teachers to embrace their roles as guides and mentors, stressing the importance of character-building in students. One of the key highlights was Fr. Cyprian's insightful discussion on integrating AI tools in education. He encouraged the staff to explore AI to enhance teaching methods, streamline administrative tasks, and provide personalized learning experiences for students. He emphasized that while technology can be a powerful ally, it must be used responsibly and thoughtfully to complement the human touch in education. The session set a positive tone for the academic year, reinforcing a commitment to innovation and the core values of nurturing, collaboration, and excellence in education.





Environment Day 2024: Nurturing Nature, Securing Our Future

On 5 June 2024, St. Joseph's School celebrated Environment Day with a focus on land restoration, desertification prevention, and drought resilience. The event opened with an invocation, setting a contemplative tone. Chief Guest Dr Raghavendra was honoured with a sapling, symbolising the school's dedication to environmental stewardship. Students passionately recited an environmental pledge, and the chief guest delivered an enlightening speech on microenvironments, bio-fertilizers, and solar energy, inspiring action towards sustainability.



Bridging Continents: A Global Classroom Experience"

On 6 June 2024, Class 8 students engaged in a 40-minute interactive session with their peers from a school in Krakow, Poland. They exchanged insights about curricula, school routines, holidays, cultural traditions, and favourite games. The Polish school follows the International Baccalaureate (IB) framework, in contrast to our CBSE syllabus, revealing diverse educational approaches. Both groups expressed eagerness to continue their cultural exchange through postcards, fostering a deeper appreciation for global education.



"Empowered by the Spirit: Embracing Faith and Learning"

On 7 June 2024, St. Joseph's School held the inaugural Mass for Classes 6 to 12, themed 'Holy Spirit beside us, within us, and upon us.' Fr. Vishal Pinto and Fr. Royston Pinto led the Mass, encouraging gratitude and a balanced approach to prayer and hard work. The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, leaving students spiritually uplifted.





Guiding the Path Ahead: Empowering Parents, Shaping Futures!"

On 8 June 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted an informative orientation for parents of newly admitted students from Pre-KG to Class11 in two sessions. Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida spoke about the school's Jesuit ethos and commitment to holistic education. A few parents of students who are already studying in Joseph's shared their thoughts and experience on the nurturing school environment, while educational experts discussed coaching and career opportunities (in the second session). The orientation helped parents with the tools to support their children's academic and personal



"Inspiring Leaders, Shaping the Future: A New Era of Leadership Begins!"

"True leadership is not in authority but in the service that inspires others to rise."

On 13 June 2024, St. Joseph's School held its Investiture Ceremony to welcome the newly elected Student Council. The ceremony opened with a grand entry of young leaders, followed by the presentation of badges, sashes, and flags by the dignitaries. Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida administered the oath of office, instilling a sense of duty in the council members. He outlined six core leadership qualities, motivating the students to lead by example. The Head Boy and his parent, Ms. Rasquinha, addressed the gathering, emphasising the importance of responsible leadership and parental support.



Bidding Farewell to a Visionary Leader

On June 13, 2024, St. Joseph's School honored Fr. John Lang Bosco for his remarkable contributions over two years. The farewell featured heartfelt tributes, a melodious performance by the Josephite singers, and a moving video presentation by Mr. Stephen. Speakers celebrated Fr. John Lang's visionary leadership and unwavering dedication, with Fr. Rohan D'Almeida highlighting his calm and compassionate nature. Fr. John Lang expressed his gratitude, and we warmly welcomed Fr. Royston as our new Finance Officer. As Fr. John Lang embarks on his next chapter, we wish him blessings, guided by Albert Schweitzer's words: "The only ones among you who will be truly happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve."





"Honouring Excellence: Annual Prize Day Celebration"

"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful." - Albert Schweitzer

On 15 June 2024, St. Joseph's School honoured the academic achievers of the year 2023-24 at the Annual Prize Day celebration. Distinguished guests included Mr. Anil John Sequeira, Rector Fr. Joseph D'Souza, Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, and Vice Principal Sr. Sheena. The event officially marked the inauguration of the Decennial Year, featuring an invocation dance, a musical performance, and a play inspired by Kalpana Chawla. The awards ceremony celebrated students' accomplishments, while motivational speeches encouraged them to dream big and pursue success.





"Igniting a Passion for Reading!"

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The School observed National Reading Day and Reading Week from June 19th, in honour of P.N. Panicker, the father of India's library movement. A variety of engaging activities aimed at instilling a love for reading and emphasising its importance among students, was conducted all through the week.







Journey of the Soul: A Transformative Retreat

The retreat for catholic students of Class 10 -12 was held on June 19 and 20, at Ashirvad, began with an introduction and ice-breaking activities, and goal-setting, centred on the theme: "Without goals, we are like a ship without a destination." Participants engaged in a Bible quiz and discussions on Agape, or unconditional love, followed by the veneration of the cross and the Holy Eucharist. Day 2 included a photo recap, discussions on social media, and reflections on religious vocations. A group activity exploring "God's presence in Nature" concluded with a "confession of love," the Holy Eucharist, and refreshments, making the retreat a deeply enriching experience.



Yoga Day: Embracing Wellness and Mindfulness

"Yoga is the journey of the self, through the self, to the self." — Bhagavad Gita

On June 21, 2024, school celebrated the International Yoga Day with around 200 students, highlighting the holistic benefits of yoga for mental and physical well-being. Participants demonstrated various asanas, including Surya Namaskara, Dhanurasana, and Tree Pose, showcasing the balance between stillness and movement. Through mindfulness practices, students embraced peace and unity, leaving the celebration with a profound sense of harmony and purpose.



World Music Day: A Celebration of Harmony and Talent

St. Joseph's School celebrated World Music Day with a vibrant showcase of musical talent from students across all grades. The event highlighted the power of music in bringing people together, as students performed a range of genres, from classical to contemporary. Through their performances, they expressed creativity, passion, and unity, fostering a deep appreciation for the universal language of music. World Music Day was a truly harmonious celebration of artistic expression and cultural diversity.





Curriculum Day at St. Joseph's School: A Celebration of Learning and Growth

St. Joseph's School marked Curriculum Day on June 22nd with a vibrant showcase of academic excellence, creativity, and innovation. The event offered a platform for students and teachers to present the diverse learning experiences that define our educational journey. The day began with an engaging presentation from the faculty, emphasizing the curriculum's focus on holistic development, critical thinking, and experiential learning. Interactive sessions allowed parents to experience St. Joseph's dynamic teaching methods, reinforcing our commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals. Teachers also shared insights into how the curriculum integrates Jesuit values, character-building, and social responsibility. Curriculum Day truly reflected the spirit of St. Joseph's School, where excellence, creativity, and values harmoniously come together.



Inauguration of AICUF at St. Joseph's School: Igniting the Spirit of Service

St. Joseph's School CBSE inaugurated its AICUF (All India Catholic University Federation) Unit on June 26, marking a new chapter in fostering social responsibility and faith-based service. The event was graced by John Shanth Kumar Joseph, SJEC alumnus and National Team Member of AICUF, who spoke about the movement's focus on social justice, human rights, and holistic student development. Under the leadership of Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, AICUF encourages youth leadership, activism, and community outreach.



Celebrating a Decade of Dreams: A Milestone of Unity and Vision

To earmark the completion of a decade of St. Joseph's School on June 27, 2024, a curtainraiser ceremony featured the unveiling of the decennial logo, symbolising unity and future aspirations. The flag-raising ceremony reflected the spirit of our vibrant community, while a captivating mime performance by Class 11, titled 'A Decade of Dreams,' depicted the school's ten-year journey through music, dance, and storytelling. This performance celebrated our achievements and inspired hope for a brighter future.





Alumni Meet: Reconnect, Relive, Reignite!"

After a two-year hiatus, on June 29, 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted its much-anticipated Alumni Meet, reuniting six batches of students that have graduated in the bygone years. Former students joyfully reconnected with classmates, peers, teachers, and juniors on the football grounds, sharing laughter and cherished memories. The day concluded with an inspiring ceremony where notable alumni shared their success stories, strengthening the bond among Josephites and revitalising the school's legacy.



"Retreat: A Sanctuary of Stillness in a World of Constant Motion"

On July 5, 2024, a retreat for Catholic students from Classes 6–9 and Class 11, themed 'Agape

- Experience God's Unconditional Love' was led by Br. Sohan Fernandes, Br. Abraham Clinton, and Br. Denver Pushpam, the retreat focused on the fruits of the Holy Spirit and Jesus' sacrifice. Interactive sessions, group discussions, and joyful action songs enhanced students' understanding of God's love. The day concluded with the Holy Eucharist, where Fr. Jerome SJ inspired students to be salt and light in the world, encouraging them to make a positive impact.



"Echoes of Compassion: Honouring Fr. Stan Swamy"

On July 5, 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted a special assembly titled "Voice of the Voiceless" to honour Fr. Stan Swamy SJ, an advocate for marginalised communities in Jharkhand. Chief Guest Fr. Francis Balaraj SJ inspired students to emulate Fr. Stan's dedication. Class 11 B presented a skit depicting his life, and the school choir performed "Sing a Song for the Peace of the People." Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida encouraged students to stand for justice and peace, while Ishaan and Pavitra expressed their aspirations to continue Fr. Stan's legacy.





Positive Parenting: Nurturing Curiosity and Creativity

On July 6, 2024, St. Joseph's School held a Positive Parenting session for parents of Pre-KG to Class 5 students. Mr. Murlidhar Koteshwar, was the resourse person. The session emphasised fostering curiosity, promoting creativity, and encouraging a balance of exercise and rest for children. Practical strategies, such as using affirmations and nurturing independent thinking, were shared. Anecdotes and videos made the session interactive and engaging.



Mastering the Stock Market: Insights for Future Investors

On July 6, 2024, the "Mastering the Stock Market" seminar equipped Class 11 and 12 Commerce students with key insights into stock market fundamentals and investment strategies. The session led by Dr. Saravana Krishnan V, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Christ (deemed to be University), explored market trends and practical applications. Students praised the speaker's expertise and the seminar's organisation, making it a valuable learning and networking experience.



"Charting Bright Futures: Empowering Students Through Career Guidance"

School hosted a Career Guidance Seminar for Class 11 and 12 Science students, on July 6, 2024, offering essential insights for informed career choices. Chief Guest Dr. Hareesha KS, Director and Professor at International Centre for Applied Science (ICAS), MAHE(Manipal Academy of Higher Education) shared practical strategies for navigating today's competitive landscape. The seminar highlighted global scholarship opportunities and encouraged students to reflect on their aspirations, motivating them towards future success.





AIKYAM: Celebrating Unity and Harmony

St. Joseph's CBSE hosted AIKYAM, its biannual interfaith event, on July 8, 2024, promoting peace and understanding among students and staff. The programme featured the school anthem, a prayer dance, a symbolic lighting ceremony, and religious readings on peace. A skit and theme dance enriched the event further. Chief Guest, Mr. Punchok Dorjey Vajira, General Manager, Maha Bodhi Society, Bangalore, delivered an inspiring speech on tolerance, while Vice Principal Sr. Sheena Joseph reaffirmed the school's commitment to inclusivity



Exploring Solar Innovation: A Visit to Nuetech Power Plant

On July 11, 2024, 54 Commerce students visited the Nuetech Solar Power Plant near Magadi Main Road, Bangalore. The visit provided insights into sustainable energy models and solar technology applications. Students explored key sections of the plant, learning about photovoltaic cells, energy conversion, and operational costs. An engineer offered valuable insights into plant operations, enhancing students' real-world understanding of renewable energy.



Empowering Service, Shaping the Nation!"

On July 12, 2024, Classes IX and X attended an inspiring orientation on Civil and Defence Services, conducted by Mr. Narasimhappa, KAS. He emphasised the honour, stability, and growth associated with these careers, offering valuable exam preparation tips. Encouraging students to pursue their passion for serving the nation, he delivered a lasting message on leadership, duty, and resilience.





Fun & Frolic - Cartoon Carnival: A Day of Joy and Laughter

On July 12, 2024, our kindergarteners celebrated "Fun and Frolic" Day, themed around cartoons such as Doraemon, Ben 10, and Peppa Pig. Dressed as their favourite characters, they participated in creative activities, including wristband-making, feeding the cartoon, bubble fun etc. The event, inaugurated by Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, concluded with the screenings of shows like Masha & the Bear.



Cultivating Mathematical Minds: Insights from the Workshop

Dr. Pankaj Jain led the "Seed to Sapling" workshop on July 23, 2024 equipping teachers with innovative strategies to make mathematics engaging across all grade levels. Participants explored playful techniques, problem-solving, and tech integration through hands-on activities and discussions. The workshop boosted teachers' confidence and provided practical tools to transform math instruction, promoting collaboration and creativity



Captivating Insights: Class 10 Visits Vidhana Soudha

Class 10 students visited Vidhana Soudha, on July 24, 2024, where the building's grandeur, and the halls adorned with portraits of national leaders instilled a sense of pride in our heritage. Students explored departments like Finance and Women and Child Development, and they attended sessions where ministers discussed the current budget and school development. This visit deepened students' understanding of democracy and the government's vital roles, leaving them motivated and informed.





Inigo Cup: "Igniting Passion and Unity Through Sports!"

St. Joseph's School proudly hosted the Inigo Cup on July 27, 2024, featuring spirited competitions among various St. Joseph's Indian nstitutions across Primary, High School, and Senior Secondary categories. The event commenced with an inaugural ceremony led by Rector Rev. Fr. Joseph D'Souza and Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, who inspired students to play with vigour and strive for excellence. The tournament concluded with thrilling victories in Throwball, Basketball, and Football, celebrating sportsmanship and camaraderie.



Embracing Ignatian Values: A Celebration of Faith and Fellowship!

St. Joseph's School celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola from July 18 to 28, 2024, with a series of spiritually enriching activities, including Novena prayers and competitions that reflected the saint's core values. The celebrations culminated on July 28 with a Eucharistic Mass officiated by Rev. Dr. Mons. Arokiaraj Satis Kumar, Auxiliary Bishop Elect, Archdiocese of Bengaluru, highlighting the importance of sharing God's blessings. A special programme by students with Fr Arun Kumar, Socius to Provincial as the chief guest and SJII staff gathering, with Guest of Honour Rev. Fr. Jerome D'Souza, emphasised St. Ignatius' values, concluding with festivities that united the school community in faith and joy.









Arcanum 2024: Elevating Excellence Beyond the Ordinary

On August 1-2, 2024, St. Joseph's School, Bengaluru, proudly hosted its inaugural inter\(\text{School}\) fest, Arcanum-Beyond the Ordinary, uniting students from across the city for an exhilarating range of competitions in music, sports management, legal advocacy, and problem\(\text{Solving skills}\). Chief Guest Mr. Ian Thomas inspired participants with motivational insights, while St. Joseph's Boys High School emerged as the overall champions, showcasing the significance of time management and teamwork. The fest concluded with an electrifying DJ night, leaving attendees eagerly anticipating the next edition. Arcanum served as a platform providing the students with invaluable opportunities for skill development, event management, and effective communication.





Celebrating Our Guiding Light: Fr. Rector's Birthday

On August 5, 2024, the staff of St. Joseph's School CBSE gathered to celebrate the birthday of Fr. Joseph D'Souza, the esteemed Rector and guiding force of the institution. Heartfelt wishes for his mission of providing education and support to the less fortunate were exchanged, along with a token of appreciation as a symbol of gratitude. The day was marked by warmth, unity, and admiration for Fr. Joseph's inspiring leadership and unwavering dedication.







AICUF Unit: "Embracing Wayanad: Extending Our Hearts and Hands in Times of Crisis"

The AICUF Unit at St. Joseph's School CBSE, led by Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida and Vice Principal Sr. Sheena, organised a relief drive for victims of the natural disaster in Wayanad. The school community—including staff, students, and parents—generously donated essential items such as clothing, stationery, toiletries, and food. This initiative not only addressed the immediate needs of those affected but also demonstrated the school's commitment to social justice and volunteerism, showcasing the power of compassionate leadership and collective action in times of need.



Interhouse Independence Day Cup: Celebrating Unity and Sportsmanship

The Interhouse Independence Day Cup at St. Joseph's School was a spirited celebration of unity, sportsmanship, and national pride. Students from all houses competed with enthusiasm and determination in various events, embodying the values of teamwork and perseverance. The event not only marked the spirit of Independence Day but also fostered healthy competition, bringing the school community together in a memorable and inspiring celebration.



"Honouring Freedom, Celebrating Unity!"

On 15 August 2024, St. Joseph's Indian Institutions proudly celebrated India's Independence Day. The celebration began with the flag hoisting by the Chief Guest, Major General George N. The national anthem evoked deep pride among attendees, while a stunning March Past featuring eleven troupes from all SJII units symbolised unity and discipline. This traditional event served as a poignant reminder of our responsibility to uphold the values of courage, unity, and dedication: "Let us remember those who fought for our freedom and honour their legacy."





Jolly Joeys 2024: Nurturing Young Hearts for a Greener Tomorrow

St. Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru, celebrated Jolly Joeys, an engaging event for Classes 1 and 2 focused on the theme 'Caring for Our Common Home' on 16 August 2024, Aimed at fostering environmental consciousness, Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida shared inspiring insights on protecting our planet. Highlights included a captivating dance performance by Class 2 students and the symbolic distribution of plants grown in coconut shells, reinforcing the school's commitment to nurturing eco-responsibility from an early age. Jolly Joeys was a joyful celebration of environmental stewardship.



"Dino-Mite Adventures: Unforgettable Day at Jollywood!"

St. Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru, organised an exciting one-day picnic for Class 6, 7, 8 and 10 students to Jollywood, a captivating theme park featuring a dinosaur park and vibrant cultural displays. The day began with thrilling water rides, followed by an array of exciting dry rides after lunch. This outing offered students a refreshing break from their academic routines, allowing them to unwind, socialise, and create cherished memories together.



Sciplore 2024: Innovating the Future

St. Joseph's School proudly hosted its Annual Science Exhibition, Sciplore, on 24 August 2024, themed Innovating the Future. The event showcased students' creativity and scientific acumen, with projects highlighting the role of Artificial Intelligence in fostering sustainability. Chief Guest Dr. Anant R. Koppar, CEO of Kushagramati Analytics, inspired attendees, emphasising curiosity and innovation as key to technological progress. Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida shared an inspiring message, encapsulating true innovation with the acronym DICEE (Deep, Intelligent, Complete, Empowering, and Enhancing Life).





The exhibition featured a captivating darkroom setup simulating a forest environment, reinforcing the theme of "Caring for Our Common Home." As the school celebrates its decennial year, parents involved in research and sustainability were recognised, and Aschelle Rodrigues from Class 10 was felicitated for having her research published in the American Journal of Student Research.



"Beyond the Finish Line: Celebrating a Decade of Inspiration and Athletic Excellence!"

St. Joseph's School CBSE celebrated its Annual Athletic Meet on 6 September 2024, marking a decade of achievement. The event welcomed Chief Guest Ms. Sucheta Deb Burman, an accomplished ultra-marathon swimmer and proud Josephite, who inspired attendees with her remarkable speech. Presided over by Rector Rev. Fr. Joseph D'Souza and Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida SJ, the meet commenced with a solemn prayer and the symbolic release of white pigeons, representing hopes for a joyful day. The festivities showcased thrilling races, captivating drills, and performances by Pre-KG students. Inter-Jesuit competitions in the 400m and 4x100m relays added excitement. The closing ceremony concluded with a spectacular grand finale.











"Honouring Linguistic Heritage: Hindi Diwas Celebration at St. Joseph's

On 9 September 2024, St. Joseph's School celebrated Hindi Diwas with an assembly led by students from Classes 6 to 9, beginning with an oath in hindi. Risha Gupta from Class 10 emphasised the importance of linguistic heritage and Hindi's relevance today. Chief Guest Ms. Neha highlighted the role of practice in language proficiency, while Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida encouraged students to cherish their mother tongue. The event awarded the winners of the Hindi Prathibha Pratiyogita and concluded with a call to promote Hindi in daily life.



"Celebrating the Pillars of Knowledge: Honouring the Heart of Education!"

On 11 September 2024, St. Joseph's School marked Teachers' Day with a heartwarming celebration, featuring a special assembly and a vibrant cultural programme. The event was highlighted by captivating performances and an inspiring address by the Chief Guest, Mr. Leo Lobo. Teachers were honoured for their decade-long service in a special tribute, recognising their unwavering dedication to shaping young minds. Principal Rev. Fr. Rohan D'Almeida expressed profound gratitude for the educators' commitment to fostering students' holistic growth, leaving the teaching community with a deep sense of pride and purpose.



"Empowering Educators: A Transformative Training for Trainers at St. Joseph's School"

The CBSE and ISTM successfully hosted a Training for Trainers (TOT) Programme at St. Joseph's School, Bengaluru on 20-21 September 2024. Esteemed guest speakers, including Mr. Vipin Kumar Bhargava and Mr. Sandeep Kumar Jain, enriched the experience. In alignment with NEP 2020, this initiative emphasised Continuous Professional Development, mandating 50 hours of annual training for educators and school leaders. The programme aimed to equip trainers with innovative methodologies and skills, enhancing teaching effectiveness and fostering academic excellence within schools.





CBSE Cluster VIII Basketball Tournament: A Showcase of Skill and Teamwork

St. Joseph's School for the First time hosted the CBSE Cluster VIII Basketball Tournament, bringing together talented teams from across the region. The event was a thrilling display of athleticism, skill, and teamwork, with students showcasing their passion and determination on the court.

The tournament featured intense competition, with each team striving for excellence. Our students demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship, with standout performances in both individual and team events. The event not only highlighted the importance of physical fitness but also fostered a spirit of camaraderie among the participating schools. The tournament concluded with a sense of pride and achievement, reflecting the school's commitment to promoting sportsmanship and excellence in extracurricular activities.





Igniting Creativity: Lil' Big Fantasies Launch at St. Joseph's School

On 27 September 2024, Sunfeast Dark Fantasy launched its Lil' Big Fantasies initiative at St. Joseph's School, inspiring over 100 students to explore their creativity. The panel included former ISRO Director Mr. Prakash Rao, psychologist Dr. Megha Mahajan, actress Mandira Bedi, Principal Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, and ITC COO, Mr. Ali Harris Shere. Panel discussions highlighted the crucial role of imagination and creativity in education, with Mr. Rao advocating observing nature and Dr. Mahajan stressing logical development alongside creativity. Mandira Bedi emphasised balancing screen time and real-life experiences, while Fr. D'Almeida focused on innovative teaching methods. Students left inspired to harness their imagination for academic and personal growth.





CBP: Empowering Educators for Student Well-Being

On September 28, 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted a Capacity Building Programme for Life Skills (Basic), with over 60 educators participating, including those from Widia Poornaprajna School. Led by Ms. Shyamashree Chatterjee and Ms. Leelavathi KP, the training emphasized equipping teachers with crucial Social-Interpersonal, Emotional, and Cognitive skills to enhance student behavior and well-being. The engaging day had included activities like role-playing, and idea exchanges, inspiring teachers to implement dynamic and impactful classroom strategies.



Fostering Stronger Family Connections

On October 5, 2024, St. Joseph's School CBSE, Bangalore, hosted an insightful Positive Parenting session led by Ms. Gowri Mirlay Achanta. The session emphasized the importance of self-care, effective communication, and trust-building, equipping parents with strategies to tackle challenges like gadget addiction and improve study habits. Through practical guidance, parents were inspired to nurture stronger connections and instill discipline with empathy and understanding.



"A Masterstroke of Talent: St. Joseph's Students Conquer the Inter-School Drawing Competition!"

St. Joseph's School is proud to announce that our students have won all three top prizes, in the Inter-School Drawing Competition organized by BSNL. On 22nd October 2024. With 2118 participants, the event aimed to promote "Smart Learning Using BSNL Bharat Fiber." Our students exhibited extraordinary artistic flair, creativity, and a deep understanding of the theme, leaving the judges in awe of their vibrant, innovative masterpieces.





Staff Birthday Celebration (June - October)

Celebrating staff birthdays is always a delightful occasion, showcasing the camaraderie and appreciation among colleagues. St. Joseph's School held a grand birthday celebration for the staff who celebrated their birthdays from June to October. The celebration began with a prayer, followed by a birthday message and heartfelt video presentation. The heartwarming and vibrant celebration, perfectly blending thoughtful gestures, spiritual moments, and sheer fun.



Exploring Futures: UCAS University Connect at St. Joseph's School Career Fair

On 22nd October 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted the UCAS University Connect Career Fair for students in classes 9 to 12. This event offered a unique opportunity for students to engage with representatives from renowned universities worldwide, broadening their understanding of higher education options. Students interacted with admissions counsellors, gaining valuable insights into application processes and university offerings. The event also featured expert talks on various career paths, helping students explore potential professions and educational avenues. The fair was a resounding success, inspiring students to consider diverse educational and career possibilities.



Fun n Frolic (Dance & Music)

The kindergarten team of St. Joseph's School organised Fun n Frolic Day themed 'Dance and Music' on 25th October 2024, bringing joy and laughter to students. Event was officially inaugurated by the Principal, Fr. Rohan D'Almeida, and Vice Principal, Sr. Sheena Joseph. The children came dressed in costumes of different dance forms and showcased their talent through a ramp walk. LKG and UKG students presented captivating songs and dances. It was heart-warming to see the young students explore and learn through fun-filled activities.





Principal's Birthday Celebration

The staff of SJS celebrated their Principal Rohan D'Almeida's birthday on 26th October 2024. The celebration began with a prayer and a toast by Vice Principal, Sr. Sheena, followed by cake-cutting ceremony. The staff presented Father Principal with greeting cards, gratitude notes, and thoughtful gifts followed by an entertaining cultural programme. A video montage of birthday wishes from the school staff. Rector Father Joseph D'Souza shared fond memories of Father Principal. Fr. Rohan expressed his gratitude, reflecting on his many blessings in his address.





Infusing Creativity into Education

On October 30, 2024, St. Joseph's School hosted an enlightening workshop on Art Integration, led by distinguished experts Dr. Gowri Prabha Prasad and Ms. Jerry Brinda Solomon. Educators explored innovative strategies to seamlessly incorporate the arts into their teaching, enhancing creativity, critical thinking, and emotional well-being. The session highlighted the transformative power of holistic education through visual arts, music, drama, and dance, enriching pedagogical approaches and promoting an inclusive and engaging learning environment.





English Articles

"Our future is built on the foundations we lay today." As we celebrate a decade of learning, we must consider how we, as students, can shape the next 10 years through innovation, compassion, and responsibility to foster peace in our school and community. With a shared vision, our students are ready to lead the way."

By implementing student-led workshops, tech projects, and mentorship programs, we foster innovation and compassion. These initiatives, along with a dedicated Peace Week, will create a vibrant and responsible school community for the next decade!

- Ruth Sheminitha Samuel, 9 'D'

"Our curiosity drives innovation, compassion builds community, and responsibility ensures accountability. By embracing these values, we can foster peace and unity, shaping a bright future for our school and beyond."

- Aaryman B.H., 10 'A'

"Looking ahead, we believe in our potential and the power of hard work. By embracing innovation, compassion, and responsibility, we can lead with purpose and build a lasting legacy of peace and progress."

- Kashika, Class 11 'A'

A brighter future begins with observing our surroundings, taking responsibility for change, and believing in ourselves and each other. By staying curious and questioning the status quo, we lay the groundwork for improvement. With a positive attitude, we can cultivate confidence, teamwork, and critical thinking to create a better, more peaceful world.

- Aritri Paul, Class 12 'A'

Education flourishes when used for the betterment of society, enabling us to apply knowledge from subjects like physics and business to address community issues. By taking responsibility for our school and supporting one another, we foster compassion and harmony. Through love and care, we can cultivate true peace within our community.

- Keenan Issac Rasquinha, Class 12 'A'

Hindi Articles



" दशकोत्सव वर्ष: व्यवहार, करुणा और जिम्मेदारी के माध्यम से आगामी दस वर्षों में विद्यालय के उत्थान में अपना योगदान"

1."हमारे विद्यालय का दशकोत्सव वर्ष हमें यह याद दिलाता है कि छात्रों की भूमिका हमारे विद्यालय के विकास में कितना महत्वपूर्ण है। अगले दस वर्षों में हम सभी विद्यार्थियों को ज़िम्मेदारी के साथ विद्यालय की उन्नति में योगदान देना होगा। नई तकनीकों को अपनाते हुए सामाजिक गतिविधियों में भाग लेकर एक सकारात्मक बदलाव लाना होगा। सहानुभूति के साथ अपने साथियों की मदद करते हुए एक सहयोगी वातावरण भी बनाना होगा। इस प्रकार छात्रों की सक्रिय भागीदारी से विद्यालय की प्रगति की दिशा में एक नई ऊर्जा और प्रेरणा का संचार होगा।"

- Aschelle Tricia Rodrigues, 10 'A'

2."सेंट जोसफ स्कूल का हर छात्र एक दीपक की तरह है, जो अपने ज्ञान और गुणों से समाज को रोशन करता है। दशकोत्सव वर्ष हमारे लिए एक नया संकल्प है—अगले दस साल में हम नवाचार, करुणा और ज़िम्मेदारी को अपना मार्गदर्शक बनाकर विद्यालय को अद्वितीय ऊँचाइयों पर पहुँचाएँगे। नवाचार से हम न केवल अपनी शिक्षा पद्धित को आधुनिक बनाएँगे, बल्कि ऐसे समाधान खोजेंगे, जो भविष्य को बेहतर बनाएँ। करुणा हमें एक-दूसरे के प्रति सहानुभूति और सहयोग की भावना सिखाएगी, जिससे हमारा विद्यालय केवल एक शिक्षण संस्थान ही नहीं, बल्कि एक परिवार बन जाएगा। ज़िम्मेदारी से हम हर चुनौती का सामना करेंगे और विद्यालय की प्रतिष्ठा को गर्व से आगे बढ़ाएँगे। हम सब मिलकर आने वाले वर्षों को प्रेरणादायक बनाएँगे और यही हमारी सबसे बड़ी देन होगी।"

- Himani, 8 'B'



Kannada Articles

"ದೇಶದ ಪ್ರಗತಿಗೆ ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆ ಜೀವವಿದ್ದಂತೆ ಜೀವವಿದ್ದಂತೆ- ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ ನಾಗರಿಕನಾಗಿ ಬೆಳೆಯಲು ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ಸಾಧನವಾಗಿದೆ ಈ ನಿಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಉತ್ತಮ ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟದ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ ನೀಡುವಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇಂಟ್ ಜೋಸೆಫ್ ಶಾಲೆಯು ಶ್ರಮಿಸುತ್ತಾ 10 ವರ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಗತಿಯ ಪಥದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಗಿರುವುದು ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ.

ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಶೈಕ್ಷಣಿಕ ಹಂತದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರವಲ್ಲದೆ ಅಂತರರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಮಟ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾರತ ದೇಶವನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಸುವ ಕ್ರೀಡಾಪಟುಗಳು, ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಕಳಕಳಿಯಿಂದ ದೇಶವನ್ನು ಮುನ್ನಡೆಸುವಂತಹ ಧೀಮಂತ ನಾಯಕರು, ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಚಿಂತಕರು, ಮತ್ತು ಯುವ ವಿಜ್ಞಾನಿಗಳು ಈ ಶಾಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಯಾಗಿ ಜಾಗತೀಕರಣದೊಂದಿಗೆ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಾಮರಸ್ಯ, ಶಾಂತಿ ಸೌಹಾರ್ದತೆಯನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸುವಂತಹಾಗಲಿ.

-ಚೇತನ ಹೆಚ್, 10 ನೇ ತರಗತಿ

ಸೇಂಟ್ ಜೋಸೆಫ್ ಶಾಲೆಯು ದಶಮಾನೋತ್ಸವವನ್ನು ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತಿರುವ ಈ ಸುಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ನಾನು ಶುಭ ಹಾರೈಸುತ್ತಾ. ಈ ಹತ್ತು ವರ್ಷದ ಸಾಧನೆಯನ್ನು ನೆನಪಿನಲ್ಲಿಟ್ಟುಕೊಂಡು, ಮುಂಬರುವ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಯಾಗಿ ಭ್ರಾತೃತ್ವ, ಸಹಕಾರ, ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಐಕ್ಯತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮಾನವೀಯ ಮೌಲ್ಯಗಳಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೂತನ ಸಮಾಜಮುಖಿ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾ, ದೇಶದ ಪ್ರಗತಿಗೆ ಮತ್ತು ಶಾಂತಿ ಸ್ಥಾಪನೆಗೆ ಕೈಜೋಡಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಆದರ್ಶ ಶಾಲೆಯ ಉತ್ತಮ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಯಾಗಿ ಜೀವಿಸಲು ಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ

- ಆಯುಷ್ ಕಿಶನ್ ಭಾಗವತ್, 10ನೇ ತರಗತಿ





Hridhi of class 8A secured 1st place in 200mtrs U-15.



Jithya of Class 6 secured 1st place in long jump U-11.



Ishaan of Class 11 secured 3rd place in 100mtrs U-17.



Ishaan of Class 11 secured 1st place in 200mtrs U-15.



Hridhi of class 8A secured 1st place in U-15 400mtrs.



Jithya of Class 6 secured 1st place in U-11 200 mtrs.



Krishiv of Class 8 D secured 3rd place in U-13 400 mtrs.



U-12 Masters Nationals Fencing Championship 2024.



Organised by Odisha State Fencing Association, Odisha



Aschelle Tricia Rodrigues of Class 9, who had been enrolled for the Anveshana Research Project last year successfully completed her project and her teamwork got published in the 'American Journal of Student Research (AJSR).'



Tanmaya Prasad of Class 12 won Silver Medal in National Javelin Day competition for gilrs U-18 years.

Anya Maria D'Souza of Class 8C of St Joseph's School, CBSE, Bengaluru, secured 3rd place at the Karnataka State Selections for the National Gymnastics Championship in Mysuru. She will represent Karnataka at the Nationals in Surat, Gujarat, this December.





St Joseph's School, Eco Club students attended an Eco Pals Training session to care for our common home, to Love, to Live & to leave a Legacy . They aimed at promoting environmental awareness and sustainable living among our members. The workshop was designed to encourage participants to adopt ecofriendly habits and become ambassadors of change in their communities. Overall, the Eco Pal training equipped the participants with practical knowledge to make a positive impact on the environment.



Vaishnavi, a student of Class 9A from St. Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru, has won a Bronze Medal in the U-17 South Zone II Taekwondo Championship. The competition was held at Atma Malik International School, CBSE, in Shirdi from the 20th to the 23rd of September, 2024.

The students of St Joseph's School CBSE, participated in the District Level Yogasana Competition organized by Vivekananda International Prakruthi Yoga Academy on 4th August, 2024 at Srirama Samudaya Bhavan, Malleswaram under the categories of U-12, U-14 and U-17 and both, girls and boys have won prizes.



The students of Class 5 of St Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru participated in the Aura Vernacular Duet Singing competition held at Baldwins Boys High School and secured third prize in the Junior category at EUDAIMONIA FEST 2024.



A student of Class 5 of St Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru participated in the Cadence 2024 Competition held at St Joseph's Boys High School and secured first prize in the Junior instrumental.



Vaishnavi, a student of Class 9A from St. Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru, has won a Bronze Medal in the U-17 South Zone II Taekwondo Championship.



Master Gabriel Elisha, a student of St Joseph's School CBSE, Bengaluru has bagged a bronze medal in the Dussehra CM Cup Fencing Championship 2024(Open Age) held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Mysuru.



Vice Principal's Message

St Joseph's School.... An Enduring Legacy "Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life" - Melody Beattie

On this wonderful ocassion of the Decennial year I would like to congratulate the school for its success and wish very best for the further growth and blessings today and the years ahead.

When we look back the journey that began in 2014 with 197 students from LKG to class 1, today it has grown as a big tree with 2000 plus vibrant students. From 2014 to 2019 within 6 years' time, our school has reached the peak of having Grade 10 and had the first valedictory ceremony and also received the Innovation Award for the Best School. During these growing years the school had conducted many curricular as well as extracurricular activities like Synergy, Sciplore, Annual Day, Sports Day, Creative Splash, ARCANUM etc... the list goes on...in their learning expansion.

I thank the entire dedicated Principals and the Management of Jesuit Priests' for their commitment in the field of education, to ignite the flame to help the children think intensively and critically and become persons with higher values, wider perspective of life in an ever developing society.

In the year 2021 another milestone marked by the expansion of beginning of class 11th providing opportunities for the young minds, to enhance their talents and thirst for knowledge in this challenging and competitive world. In 2023-2024 our students excelled in various subjects in All India Senior Certificate Examinations of Grade 12, and Grade 10 with 100% result in the CBSE Board Examination.

Congratulations, to Rev Fr. Rohan D'Almeida the principal, for his extraordinary leadership for the past six years and of his relentless efforts, also of the Faculty members and the entire Team for their passionate commitment and dedication in imparting knowledge and right values to the students to become Men and Women Caring for the Common Home. As we are in this Decennial year, at this remarkable phase of the school, I take this opportunity to wish all the Josephites' to soar high from strength to strength and shine ever more brightly with lots of good fortune and success in the field of education.

Sr. Sheena Joseph DW Vice Principal

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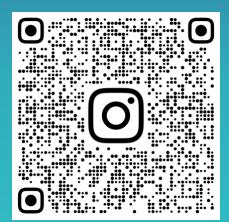


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