

VISWAJYOTHI CMI PUBLIC SCHOOL, ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

THE ANNALS OF 2017-18

1. Introduction

I am very proud and privileged to present the highlights of our activities and achievements in the academic year - ANNALS 2017-18.

As the new Principal of the School, I feel blessed by our founder St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and the new academic year 2017-18 provided a time to look back with pride and look ahead with vision and the focus of our journey was the pursuit of excellence in Education, equity and opportunity to all, sourced from a variety of avenues.

2. About The School

Viswajyothi CMI Public school is managed by the renowned Rajagiri Sacred Heart Province, Kochi. Fr. Dr. JOSE KURIEDATH CMI is the PROVINCIAL, Fr. JOHN BERCHMANS KOITHARA CMI is the MANAGER, Fr. JOSHY KOOTTUMKAL CMI is the PRINCIPAL and Fr. SIBIN PERIYAPPADAN CMI, is the VICE PRINCIPAL. Mrs. JAYAMOLE GEORGE is the ACADEMIC COORDINATOR and Mrs. SMITHA KOMATH is the HEADMISTRESS of the Primary Section. This team work, the dedication of faculties, support of the parents, hard work of the students and ABOVE ALL, THE BLESSINGS OF GOD ALMIGHTY, proves our strength in unity and raise this institution to greater heights.

The new academic year started in the PUBLIC SCHOOL and for UKG on **1st June** and the LKG on **10th June**. The school has **2447** students (**1241 boys, 1206 girls**) and **175** staff members on its Roll.

3. Academic Excellence

Viswajyothi students excelled in their performance in the Board Examinations of Classes X & XII 2017 and the results were exemplary.

In the AISSE [Class X], 161 students appeared, all passed with distinction and 39 got all A1 Grades.

In the AISSCE [Class XII], 148 students appeared, all passed with high first class, 120 scored Distinction and 10 students got A1 in all subjects. Mas. Tom K Thomas & Mas. Sarathchandran P M scored 100/100 in Computer Science and Business Studies respectively. We feel proud of the excellent performance of Mast. Antony Saju of Commerce Stream who became the School topper with 96.8% and Geo Paul Madassery, the Science stream topper with 95.2%. The school is very proud to put up the glorious fact that a few of our students are the subject toppers among the 109 CBSE schools of the Central Kerala Sahodaya.

4. British Council's International School Award 2017-20

The British Council International School Award (ISA) is an accreditation scheme that recognizes and celebrates exemplary practices of internationalism in schools. Viswajyothi Public School, Angamaly is elated to receive this prestigious award for the second time by meeting the international criteria through the combined effort of the Management, staff and students. The school Principal Fr. Joshy Koottumkal CMI & the ISA Coordinator Mrs. Jayamole George received the award and certificate from the British High Commissions Director of British Council in a grand function at Chennai on 15th December 2017.

5. Farewell to Fr. Jose Padayatty CMI & Fr. Martin Mundadan CMI

A heart touching farewell was given on 20th June to the two visionaries Fr. Jose Padayatty CMI, our founder Manager & Fr. Martin Mundadan CMI, former Principal who were the strong pillars of the school. We wish them all the best for their bright and healthy future.

6. Human Resource and Enrichment Activities

Higher aspirations and sincere efforts enhance quality and bring best results.

The Principal Fr. Joshy Koottumkal CMI attended the Annual Sahodaya Conference and All Kerala CBSE Principals' Conference 2017 to update with the changes. He received the prestigious award for the **third best school magazine** in the All Kerala CBSE Schools' Magazine Contest from the Hon'ble Union Minister Shri. Alphonse Kannanthanam.

Viswajyothi is ever ready to chisel & sharpen the talents of every Viswajyothian. Teacher Enrichment workshops and orientation programmes, Effective parenting workshops, Student enrichment activities like Summer vacation camps, Club activities, Career designing programmes like "Lakshya, the launching pad" by YMCA, Nedumbassery, Seminars and classes on Civil Service, leadership Camps like RYLA by Rotary Club, etc, provided opportunities for all to widen perspectives and outlooks. We provide ample opportunities for the students to enhance their competency in academics through various level Olympiads, VSSC'S Bright Spot Excellence Exam, Quizzes, debates etc and we are very proud that many of our students won prizes and secured commendable positions. To enhance global citizenship behaviour, Logan Dehart, a student from USA joined in Class XI. To emphasize on quality reading, Madhura Malayalam, Mathrubhumi Vaayanakalari was inaugurated in the school by FISAT chairman Sri. Paul Mundadan.

7. Awareness Programmes & Comprehensive Health Programme

To make the students and staff aware about the child rights and different forms of abuse like physical, emotional, neglect, sexual etc, an awareness talk was given by Adv. Litto Palathingal, a leading advocate of the Kochi Court.

An Anti-Narcotic club was inaugurated in the school to assure safe campus free from the dangers of narcotics.

Short debates to improve vocabulary competence and **Street plays to create awareness on various social issues** were conducted.

As part of the Comprehensive School Health Programme, Annual **Health check-up** was done and health cards were issued to all the students by Wellness Solutions, Ernakulam. Following the Central and State Govt's orders, **Measles-Rubella Vaccination** was given to all the students from LKG to class X after an orientation class about this to the parents. Awareness class on health & hygiene was conducted for the girls and their mothers by Proctor & Gamble.

8. Cultural Activities And Achievements

Even in the manifold activities of the curriculum, the school provides a spectrum of activities for the students to prove their mettle in art, music, dance and drama. To give a vibrant start to the cultural activities, the School literary Association 'Saarang' was inaugurated on 30th June by the famous music composer Mr. Jerry Amal Dev.

Hundreds of students participated in Viswa Fest, the mega school art festival which provided every student a platform to showcase their talents. This year, participation in interschool activities was limited to individual items only as our focus was on academics. To place on record, we were the 2nd runners-up in the spectacular inter school competition CMI State Kalotsav held at CMI Public School, Chalakkudy. Our students participated in the prestigious interschool competitions like Central Kerala Sahodaya Kalotsav, CBSE State Kalotsav, DCL Zonal competition etc and won many prizes.

The inter school programmes organized by our school like Vismaya, Viswaprathibha Quiz and Debate gave ample opportunities even to the neighbouring schools.

9. Health & Physical Activities and Achievements

Viswajyothi's care for the holistic development of the students is evident in the co-curricular activities. The school imparted training in Physical Education, Swimming, Yoga, Athletics, Basketball, Karate, Football, Cricket and Skating by Master trainers in the field. Annual Sports Meet 2017 was inaugurated by Shri PR Sreejesh, Captain of the Indian Hockey Team.

The All Kerala Interschool Tournaments like Basketball Tournament for Fr. John Pynadath Endowment Trophy inaugurated by Mr. Jackson Peter, Circle Inspector, Kochi Metro, All Kerala CBSE invitational Cricket tournament for Fr. Jose Padayatty Endowment Trophy inaugurated by Mr. Basil Thampi, Indian Cricket Team Player etc. were organized in the school. Viswajyothi hosted the Central Kerala Sahodaya Football tournament and is proud to have the **hat-trick win of the CKSC Football Championship**. In the CMI State Sports Meet held at CMI PS Chalakkudy, Viswajyothi

won the 2nd Runners Up and in the Sahodaya Sports Meet, Viswajyothi reached the 4th position among 109 schools.

Our Swimming Team proved that they are unbeatable performers in various level competitions. In the Ernakulam District and the State Aquatic Championship, they won many prizes and accolades. **The top swimmers of the school represented the state at the National Junior and Sub Junior Aquatic Championship held at Pune.**

The team won silver at the CBSE South Zone Swimming Championship held at Nagpur. In the Anu Memorial Aquatic Championship held at Pala, our team won the overall 2nd position.

Mast. Rohith J Nair of Class VI won Gold medals in the CBSE south zone Judo Championship and Kerala State Sub Junior Judo Championship. He represented Kerala State in the National Judo Championship.

10. School Activities

All the important school events in each month, reached the parents and well wishers, through the School News Letter Viswadhvani .

As a part of NIE (News Paper In Education) programme, all the classes from V upwards, are provided with the newspapers in the morning, to develop their reading habits and to update their knowledge in current affairs. The Class Magazines of all classes, were released as Wall magazines and the best magazines were given prizes.

Election and Investiture

The School head boys and head girls of all sections, were nominated by the Management, and the other leaders were elected by the students. Dr. J Letha, Vice Chancellor, CUSAT, invested the leaders with badges.

School Radio The school Radio – ‘Viswavani’ continues to broadcast.

Exhibition

Expo-2017 exposed the creative skills of the students, in various fields of Science, Mathematics and Social science. As different from the previous years, the students themselves made, the charts and models in the school itself, which was a true display of the artistic and inquisitive minds.

Book Fair

This year's, three day book fair, organized by the Scholastic publishers, was colourful with a variety of books, and attractive with lucky dips.

Field Trips

Students of all classes from 1 to 12 were taken for, field trips and tours, to experience the joy of sharing and caring, and to foster leadership qualities. Tea factories,

Industries, Botanical Gardens, Historical Museums, Amusement Parks, Lulu Mall Sparky's etc. provided them a new experience.

11. Eco-Friendly Activities

The World Environment Day reminded everyone, the importance to conserve nature. The students brought and planted saplings in the campus as a part of "Connecting people with nature". On Gandhi Jayanthi day, the school premises and the road sides near the school, were cleaned by the staff and the students. A Cleanliness awareness class under the auspices of "Bin It India," and cleanliness drive, as defence against monsoon diseases were conducted. As part of the Swachhata Pakwada (a Fortnight Cleaning Campaign by the Central Ministry), staff and students took oath, debate & drawing competitions, campus cleaning etc were conducted. As a part of nallapatam (Best Practices) under the auspices of Malayala Manorama, students planted plantain saplings in the school vegetable garden and Vegetable harvesting was also done.

12. Spiritual Development Activities

The teachers start the day, with a 'prayer session' at the Principal's room and the students start the day with a 5 minutes meditation to restore positive energy and concentration. Holy Mass and Spiritual Classes in every month by different classes are in the lead and Special Prayer Meetings on every Wednesday, refined their thoughts and actions. Annual Retreat in our school offered the students to the divine providence. October was observed as the Holy Rosary month, and the last day was made pious, with prayers in respect of Mother Mary.

13. Social Concern

The school's Charity Wing STF& Social Service Club could collect and distribute a considerable amount as charity to the needy persons in and around the school through various activities like I SHARE, Birthday Charity and putting up stalls during celebrations. The Management could contribute, 1 lakh rupees for the treatment of our staff member Mr. Davis and 5 lakhs for the liver transplantation of one of our Class IV students. As a part of the **outreach programme**, we sponsor 50 financially backward students and study materials were distributed to them before school re-opening.

14. Celebrations In The School

The colourful procession of festivities started with the inauguration of the Literary Association. Thereafter all the classes proved their talents on the stage during various celebrations like Independence Day, Onam with "Thirumulkazhcha", Teachers' day, Freshers Day, Kerala Piravi, Childrens' Day, Management day, Christmas etc.

Fr. Jose Padayatty CMI, Former Manager who celebrated the golden jubilee year of ordination was honoured on the Management Day.

15. KG Report

I am very glad to share the updates of our activities and I take the modesty to say that we did our best as we had planned.

The new Academic year started for UKG on 1st June and for LKG on 10th June.

The Kindergarten has 333 students (167 boys and 166 girls) and 20 staff on its roll. We feel great delight and pride to say that, in the past Academic Year 190 kids graduated and were promoted to Class I.

Teaching Methodology

Viswajyothi always believes that the parents and teachers are co-educators of the children. Young children need to have strong, secure and trusting relationship with their teachers, parents and peers in order to be confident and creative at the outset of their journey of learning and to make learning enjoyable.

Teachers at Viswajyothi Kindergarten are trend setters, who use latest teaching technology in imparting education. In keeping with new educational concepts, our syllabus is dynamic and in accordance with the need of time and change. Our teaching methodology ensures that children enjoy learning through play, hands on activities and interaction with others. The technologically advanced smart board in each class not only provides the benefits of visual presentation but also helps to improve concentration. All children experience innovative learning which gives emphasis on literacy, numeracy and communication skill. The kids are also trained in the practical side of life through fun filled activities which are meant to strengthen their muscular and intellectual abilities.

Kindergarten teachers are abundant in enthusiasm, fairness, effectiveness, knowledge and patience. They are experts in developing a love of learning and also have a genuine affinity to the children and care them with empathy and respect.

Activities & Celebrations

Various activities are being conducted throughout the year by means of competitions, cultural activities, sports, etc. This is mainly because we dedicate our time and resources for the accomplishments of students in curricular and co-curricular activities alike.

We celebrated World Environment Day, on 5th June to highlight the importance of protecting Mother Earth. Independence Day and Manager Rev Fr. John Berchman's feast day was celebrated on 14th August with colourful programmes.

Vismaya 2017, the 10th Inter Kindergarten Fest was organised jointly by the Management and PTA of Viswajyothi Kindergarten. 25 neighbouring Kindergartens participated in this fabulous event.

Onam, was celebrated on 30th August with traditional fervour and style in the presence of Mahabali.

Kids Fest, the festival of talents, was conducted on 20th and 21st October. We are happy to note that the confidence of the children increased multifold after the Kid's Fest.

The KG students gave a wonderful visual treat for the whole school on 1st November by celebrating Kerala Piravi.

In December, we had the opportunities to celebrate and enjoy the Birthday and Feast Day of our beloved Vice Principal Fr. Sibin Periyappadan CMI, and also the Christmas festivities.

Upcoming events of the Kindergarten are the Sports Day and Graduation Day.

PTA

The Parent Teacher Association plays a vital role in this institution. A great deal of credit for what we are today, goes to you parents for your encouragement, co-operation, trust and enthusiasm that you have shown through your sincere involvement in the Kindergarten and the Public School activities. This year, the PTA elected Maj. Dr. Jude John as the President and Mr. Paul Varghese as the Vice president in the Public School and Mr. Shibu T as President and Mrs. Pazhampilly Sreedevi as Vice President in the Kindergarten. The presence and co-operation of the PTA was strongly felt in the school when various events were conducted in the school. The School arranged orientation programmes on effective parenting and conducted open house meetings with the parents after assessments. This enabled the parents to know about the progress of their wards. To the parents of Viswajyothi students, thank you for your interest, enthusiasm and constant support of our endeavours.

Before I conclude, let us pay homage to the dear departed. Some of our staff members and students have lost their dear ones during this Academic Year. We express our deep sorrow to the bereaved families of the beloved departed souls and pray that all these souls may rest in peace.

Ladies and gentlemen, that was the retrospection of the Academic Year 2017-2018

I bow before God Almighty for his merciful blessings to fulfil our vision of perfecting holistic student development, trying our best practices, processes systems and co-curricular excellence moulding morally upright, socially responsible and resourceful citizens.

I am profoundly grateful to the staff members for their commitment, determination and dedicated service.

My wholehearted appreciation for the keen interest taken by the parents, students, all our associates, sponsors, media people, well-wishers and above all, our neighbours and the general public of Angamaly who always co - operate with us in all our needs..

We are in the path of excellence and I hope that the blessings of God Almighty, the prayers of our founder St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, our hard work, team work and aspirations together will make our future days brighter.

With this I conclude this report. Wish you all a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

I remain. Thank you.
