

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

1. INTRODUCTION

“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you” (1. Peter 5:6).

Respected dignitaries on the dais, distinguished guests and dignified audience,

Keeping faith in God, our journey progresses with the expectation that the divine light will lead us to a better, brighter tomorrow.

These blissful moments are to pause and look back with pride at the fruitful academic year gone by. As the new Principal of the school, I feel blessed, as I could move forward with a group having strong synergy and optimistic attitude, proving that great things are done by a series of small things brought together. Our team work was incredible ensuing inestimable outcomes. With the blessings of our founder St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, I feel extremely glad, proud and privileged to present the SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT, the gist of our activities and the consistent upward graph of our achievements during 2023-'24. I would like to thank each one of you for being a significant part of this glorious journey.

2. ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Viswajyothi Public school is one of the flourishing institutions under the renowned Sacred Heart Province, Kochi. The solid links of the Management are Very Rev. Fr. Benny Nalkara CMI, the Provincial, Rev. Fr. Augustine Mampilly CMI, the Manager, Rev. Fr. Angelo Chakkanattu CMI, the Associate Director, Ms Reena Rajesh, the Principal, Ms. Shaly Jose, the Vice Principal and Ms Sajini Susan Philip, the KG Headmistress. The boundless blessings of God Almighty, strongest aspirations of the Management, earnest dedication of the teaching and non-teaching staff, ardent support of the parents and sincere hard work of the students are the constituents, raising this institution to covetable heights.

The school has 2281 students (1111 Boys and 1170 Girls) and 210 staff members on its roll & gives equal importance to the academic and co-curricular activities.

Heightened Facilities:

“Being environment friendly will soon cease to be an option ... they will become a necessity.” The school has added more facilities to improve its quality, for the benefit of the students.

- a fully equipped open gym 'Shape and Smile'
- Two state- of the art basketball courts designed to combine “exercise with sociability”.
- Mini computer lab of 45-member capacity for the students of classes 1 to 4.
- A Multipurpose Hall for conducting mass assemblies.
- Renovated long jump pit, throw ball pit, football court, cricket pit with new net and a new Kho Kho court, two portable badminton court.
- The instrumental music department of the school has been equipped with 21 new guitars and 10 new keyboards.

Streams: -

The Senior Secondary section provides a range of streams in accordance to the required combination of the students.

3. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & ACHIEVEMENTS

"Excellence is an art won by training and habituation".

The Class XII (SSCE) and Class X (SSE) results of the Academic Year 2022-'23 really proved that Excellence is the gradual result of constant striving.

Class XII

In the SSCE exam, out of the 134 students appeared, 120 passed out with distinction. 23 students got all A1 and 7 students scored centum in different subjects.

Abhiya Johnson is the School Topper and Topper in Commerce stream, scoring 98.6%, Elita Ann Binu is the Science stream Topper, scoring 97.2% and Ann Sithara Jimmy and Angel Mariya Antony are Humanities stream Toppers scoring 96.8%.

Class X

In the SSE exams, out of the 185 students appeared, 149 passed out with distinction. **Diya Noby is the school topper with 98.2%**. 10 students scored full 100 in different subjects. 17 students got all A1.

- **Our school won the ACADEMIA-MLA's Award -2023, given for the top schools with 100% results in the Board Exams of Classes X & XII from Mr. Roji M John, MLA, Angamaly in presence of Mr. SHASHI THAROOR, M P**
- **We also won the award for academic excellence, given by Kochi Metro Sahodaya, an association of CBSE Schools in Kochi.**
- *In the survey of Education World India School Ranking, our school is ranked SECOND in Kochi and FOURTH in Kerala.*

Participation in competitive exams

Many students participated in the **International and National Olympiads** examinations conducted by various competent institutions.

4. FAREWELL to Fr. Joshy Koottumkal CMI & Fr. Don Manjaly CMI

It is painful to say goodbye to those who are close to our heart. A fond farewell was given to the visionary Fr Joshy Koottumkal CMI, our beloved Principal whose sincere efforts brightened this institution and to Fr. Don Manjaly CMI our Vice Principal who was a strong support to all of us. Our prayerful wishes for their bright future.

5. PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent Teacher Association plays a vital role in this institution. The encouragement, co-operation, trust and enthusiasm that the parents have shown through their sincere involvement in the School activities need appreciation and applause. The PTA President Mr. Naijo Areekkal and the strong PTA Executive team have extended their liberal cooperation in all the activities in which the PTA had involved.

Effective parenting is very significant to build a strong and close relationship between the home and school for parents and teachers to work together towards a common goal in the education and well-being of children. The School had arranged orientation programmes on effective parenting by Dr.Ms. Angela Susan

Mathew, Asst. Prof, Rajagiri Business School, Kalamassery and conducted open house meetings with the parents after assessments. This enabled the parents to know about the progress of their wards. Parents of Viswajyothi students, we thank you for your interest, enthusiasm and constant support of our endeavours.

6. HUMAN RESOURCE AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES.

STAFF ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES

In the vast and diverse field of education, staying updated forms a vital parameter to enhance the process of teaching and learning. According to the recommendations of the CBSE, our teachers constantly strive to learn and hone their skills by attending workshops and training programmes.

Teachers orientation programmes were conducted in the school on 26th and 27th of May by Mrs Mala B Menon, Principal Cochin Refineries School, EKM and by Dr. Joseph Inchody.

Enrichments programmes were also conducted by Ms Reena Rajesh, the Principal and the teachers Mr. Sajan S, Ms Dhanya P.M, Ms. Jayasree K, and Ms. Sreeja S.

Informative sessions on Life Skills and wellness were conducted by Mr. Vishnu Vijayan and Ms. Thankam.

The Principal and teachers have been attending periodically, various seminars and webinars organized by the CBSE Board for continuous professional development to learn new ways, methods, strategies and tools.

School Innovation Ambassador Training Program (SIATP) is an initiative of the Ministry of Education's Innovation cell, AICTE and CBSE for mandatory skilling of teachers. 5 teachers of our school are the ambassadors.

7. AWARENESS PROGRAMMES & COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PROGRAMMES.

The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action. Many activities were conducted to make students aware of the currently relevant social issues.

- The senior students from classes IX to XII actively participated in flash mob and silent march against the social evils at present prevailing in the society.
- Students took pledge against drug abuse.
- Safety is always our priority. The school bus drivers were given an orientation class by the RTO.
- The students of classes 9 and 11 had a class on Road safety by Mr Siju Joseph, Asst. Motor Vehicle inspector, which was organised by the Rotary club of Cochin Airport.
- A motivational talk for the student council and class 12 students was given by Ms Irene Benny, an alumna.
- As a part of the Comprehensive School Health Programme, Annual Health check up was done by Wellness Solutions, Ernakulam and Health cards were issued to all students.
- According to the recommendations of the CBSE, Art Integrated Learning (AIL) and Design Thinking & Innovation were introduced in the process of learning.

8. CULTURAL ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

“Keep your dreams alive. In order to achieve anything requires faith and belief in yourself, vision, hard work, determination, and dedication.”

The school gives equal importance to scholastic and co-scholastic activities. The students enthusiastically participated in cultural & literary activities and achieved a lot.

- The literary Association “TARANG” was inaugurated by Baby Dev Nandha, an upcoming child artist.
- In Viswa Fest - 2023, the mega school art festival, students participated and proved their talents.
- Kochi Metro Sahodaya conducted its second cultural festival at Naipunya Public School Thrikkakkara. Our team participated and won many awards and medals.
- In the CBSE, State Sahodaya Kalotsav, conducted in Sree Sarada Vidyalaya, Mattoor, our students participated, won prizes and their efforts have placed our school in the second position under Kochi Metro Sahodaya.
- In the Inter-school Competition FRINGES 2023 organised by the Choice School, our team won the overall championship. In

Fresco, conducted by Rajagiri Christhujayanthi School, our team won the Second runner up trophy.

- Elaina Sara Edwin of class 2 secured third prize in the reading competition held at Chavara Cultural Society.

9. HEALTH & PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

SPORTS

Viswajyothi imparts training in Physical Education, Swimming, Yoga, Athletics, Basketball, Football, Cricket and Skating after the school hours by coaches in the field.

SWIMMING

Viswajyothi Swimming team had marvellous performances during this academic year. Our team proved their excellence in the National, Zonal, State, District and Interschool competitions. We are proud of our swimming team. The achievements are as follows:

1. In the 49th Junior & 39th Sub Junior National Aquatic Championship held at Bhubaneswar 8 students represented our school. They are:

JOSEPH V JOSE, VARGHESE NEJO, AARON AUGUSTINE, CAREN BENNY, POORNIMA DEV, INDRAANY M MENON, NICOLE POLY AND GAYATHRI DEV.

POORNIMA DEV, CAREN BENNY AND JOSEPH V JOSE SECURED NATIONAL BRONZE MEDALS.

Our national performers and the coach Mr. K Anil Kumar were honoured in a grand ceremony at Trivandrum, organized by the Kerala State Aquatic Association.

2. In the 37th National Games held at Goa, out of the 20 swimmers from Kerala State, 3 are from our school

JOSEPH V JOSE, NICOLE POLY AND CAREN BENNY. CAREN BENNY GOT 4TH POSITION

3. **JOSEPH V JOSE, CAREN BENNY AND NICOLE POLY** represented Kerala State in the 71st Senior National Aquatic Championship 2023 held in Hyderabad.

It is a matter to be proud of that our junior students participated in the Open Senior National Level.

4. In the CBSE South Zone Swimming Championship held at PSSEMR School Karnataka 35 students participated and 25 of them secured gold, silver and bronze medals.
5. In the CBSE National Swimming Championship held at Rishikul Vidyapeeth, Haryana 25 students participated and 13 of them secured silver and bronze medals.
6. In the 49th Junior & 39th Sub Junior Kerala State Aquatic Championship held at Dr. B R Ambedkar International Aquatic Complex, Thiruvananthapuram, 17 students represented from our school and we secured 24 gold, 13 silver and 11 bronze medals.

NICOLE POLY BECAME THE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION.

FIVE INDIVIDUAL STATE RECORDS FOR:

- **JOSEPH V JOSE** IN 100M FREESTYLE AND 200M FREESTYLE
- **INDRAANY M MENON** IN 100M FREESTYLE AND 400M FREESTYLE
- **CAREN BENNY** IN 800M FREESTYLE

FOUR RELAY STATE RECORDS TO:

JOSEPH V JOSE, CAREN BENNY, NICOLE POLY AND IRIS MANOJ

7. In the 70th Kerala State Senior Aquatic Championship 2023 held at Dr. B R Ambedkar International Aquatic Complex, Thiruvananthapuram, 12 students from our school represented the Ernakulam District team. Our team won 5 gold, 10 silver and 6 bronze medals.
8. In the 15th Ernakulam District Senior Swimming Championship 2023 held at M A College Kothamangalam, 19 students represented from our school. We secured 15 gold, 17 silver and 7 bronze medals and the **Champions Trophy** with 226 points in women's category and **overall runner up position** with 357 points.

JOSEPH V JOSE AND CAREN BENNY BECAME THE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS.

9. In the 21st Ernakulam District Junior & Sub Junior Swimming Championship 2023 held at M A College Kothamangalam, 46 students represented from our school. We secured 41 gold, 20

silver and 18 bronze medals, **Sub Junior Championship and Junior Runner Up.**

The SIX INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS are:

- * GROUP 1 BOYS - **JOSEPH V JOSE**
- * GROUP 1 GIRLS - **NICOLE POLY**
- * GROUP 2 GIRLS - **CAREN BENNY**
- * GROUP 3 GIRLS - **POORNIMA DEV**
- * GROUP 4 BOYS- **DAVID JOHN JIJO**
- * GROUP 5 BOYS - **JONARTH SOBIN**

10. In the Visio Aqua Swimming Meet 2023 organised by Chavara Darsan Public School, Koonammavu, 24 students participated from our school. We got **overall championship** with 244 points and secured 18 gold, 12 silver and 8 bronze medals.

11. Our team marvellously performed in the Rajagiri Christhujayanthi Swimming Championship-2023 and won the **OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP** With 25 gold, 17 silver and 11 bronze medals together with a cash prize of Rs.10000/-. Our team scored 218 points.

The **individual championship winners** are, RUSSEL JOHN JUDE, CAREN BENNY, NOCOLE POLY, INDRAANY M MENON, POORNIMA DEV, DAVID JOHN JIJO, VARGHESE NEJO AND JONARTH SOBIN.

OTHER TOURNAMENTS

Our students participated in various championship tournaments at Interschool, District, State & National Level & won prizes.

Interschool tournaments participated:

- In the Visio Interschool Football Tournament 2023- Our football team participated and won the Runners up trophy.
- In the 67th Ernakulam District Athletics Championship 2023-24, Adithya A. K (Shot put), Joseph Biju (400mH) and Feona Maria Bijo (Triathlon) got selection for the State competition.
- Sanjay Sivadas (High Jump), Adithya A.K (Short put) and Jose Paveen (Table tennis) participated in the CBSE Cluster Athletic Meet and National Event.

- Jose Paveen of class 10 participated in the Thrissur District Table Tennis Championship held at Don Bosco School, Irinjalakuda and was the winner for **boys Under 17 category, Under 19 Men's-runner up, Under 17 boys doubles- winner, Men's doubles- runner up** and the **Junior Boys Champion**. He also participated in CBSE Table Tennis Nationals at Bhopal and won 5th position.
- Anna Paveen of class 6C won 2nd runner up in the **under13 category girls** TABLE TENNIS and was winner in the **UNDER 13 girls** doubles.
- Maria Biju won bronze medal for 47 kg category in the 44th Ernakulam district KARATE fighting competition which was held at Govt Higher Secondary School, Kadayiruppu
- In the CBSE South Zone II skating championship 2023, held at National Public School, Kalaburgi, Karnataka, **Anandjith Sarathkumar** got silver medal in 300mtrs RINK race.
- In the Kerala State Roller Skating Championship held at TYSA Roller Sports Arena, Palakkad, **Anandjith Sarathkumar** bagged Gold medal in 1000 Mtrs, 500Mtrs and 200 Mtrs rink race. He also participated in CBSE National skating competition held at Global Heights School, Haryana and stood at the 5th position.
- Jeffrey Jaijo of class XII and Kesiya Elsa Motty of class 9 participated in the Lawn Ball National Championship held at Guahati, Assam.
- B Krishna of VIII D became the 2nd runner up in the IGU South Zone Golf Tournament in Chennai Gymkhana Golf Club.
- VARIOUS INTERHOUSE GAMES WERE ALSO HELD IN THE SCHOOL FOR INCULCATING HEALTHY SPORTING SPIRIT AMONG THE MEMBERS OF the 5 HOUSES.
- ANNUAL SPORTS MEET 2023 was inaugurated by Mr. Anuroop John, an international Athlete. RUBY HOUSE stood first with 379 points, SAPPHIRE bagged the second with 356 points and OPAL secured the third position with 327 points.

10. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- The school newsletter "Viswadhvani", the voice of Viswajyothi reached the parents and well-wishers each month.

- School news channel named VPS Speaks, an initiative by the audacious talented students, trains the future news reporters and technicians.
- The inauguration of Manorama Vayanakkalari and Mathrubhumi – Madhuram Malayalam were steps to enhance the knowledge of current affairs through the medium of our mother tongue.

a. **Election and Investiture**

The School Head Boy, Head Girl, and the other leaders were elected by the students. In the Investiture Ceremony the Chief Guest Comndt. Anshuman Raturi, along with the school authorities invested badges to the School Leaders.

- b. **EXPO- 2023**, the Science, Social Science and Mathematics Exhibition was inaugurated by Dr. SANANTH H MENON, SCIENTIST/ENGINEER S G, ISRO, ALUVA.
- c. During the **Language Day Celebration**, students showcased their diverse language talents.
- d. **Reading Day** was celebrated with reading and a book fair. The three-day Book fair conducted by “Once Upon a time” was inaugurated by the poet Dr. Molly Joseph, Retd. Professor, St.Xavier’s College, Aluva.
- e. Our students took part in the **Science Conclave** at VSSF, Kakkanad in connection with the Space Week and interacted with Dr. Somnath S, the ISRO Chairman.
- f. **Field Trips-2023**:- Field trips are powerful learning experiences. The commerce and humanities batch students visited the Court complex at Perumbavoor to observe the court procedure.
- g. The students from classes 1 to 12 were taken for tours to experience the joy of sharing and caring, and to foster leadership qualities.
- h. **CLUB Activities**: Club activities help students develop a sense of unity and teamwork and help learners to develop social skills. There are various clubs in the school like Literary Club, Innovation

Club, Science club, Community, Nature, Health and Well Being and Yuva Club. Students actively involve themselves in various clubs to enhance their talents.

11. SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- The teachers start the day, with a prayer session in 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 are conducted in every month, led by different classes and Special Prayer Meetings, refined thoughts and actions.
- There was a special Holy Mass to pray for the departed souls of our founder Manager Fr. Jose Padayatty CMI and the class IV student Therese Sijo.
- Annual Retreat for two days in July, 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.

12. SOCIAL CONCERN & CHARITY: -

- Thirumulkazhcha, honouring the senior citizens was on 26th August; Dr. C. K Eapen was the Chief Guest. Students of Classes XI and XII gifted Onakkodi to the invited senior citizens
- The school's Charity Wing STF& Social Service Club could collect and distribute a considerable amount as charity through various activities like I SHARE, Birthday Charity and putting up stalls during celebrations.
- As a part of the outreach programme, we sponsored 50 financially backward students and study materials were distributed to them before the school re-opening.
- The members of the school Community Service Club distributed Pothichoru to the patients in the Medical College, Kalamassery.
- They also contributed a Pedestal fan and Story Books to Snehasadan, Mattoor.

- There was a book collection drive by the Jesus Youth Club of Rajagiri College of Management and Applied Sciences. We donated books for the same.
- Viswajyothi ground hosted a sports day RotSports for the differently abled student community, organized by the Cochin Airport Rotary Club.

13. CELEBRATIONS IN THE SCHOOL

All the important days were celebrated in the school. International Yoga day and Music Day were celebrated on 21st June. Various Yoga postures were demonstrated. The students from classes 1 to 12 sang songs in different languages.

Onam celebrations were spectacular. Independence Day, Manager's Feast Day, Birthday, Teachers' day, Children's Day, Management Day, Pi day etc. were celebrated in a befitting manner. Christmas Celebrations were grand and I hope the most beautiful and spectacular pageantry, the Jyothis Utsav, will be another feast to the eyes.

14. KG ANNUAL REPORT

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

With a grateful heart, let me present the Annual Report of Viswajyothi Kindergarten, for the year 2023 24.

The academic year started with a blissful and joyful opening ceremony. Our team of 20 dedicated teachers and 14 non-teaching staff welcomed 316 students (162 boys and 154 girls) with immense enthusiasm.

The **renovation** of our school's lounge improved the ambience and elevated the spirits of our school community.

We bid a **fond farewell** to our former principal, Rev. Fr. Joshy Koottumkal CMI and the Vice principal Fr. Don Manjaly CMI and extended a warm welcome to our new principal, Mrs. Reena Rajesh and the Associate Director Rev. Fr. Angelo Chakkanattu CMI.

The **teacher's orientation program** held on 26th June set a positive tone for the journey ahead. The **Orientation Programme for parents** held on 24th June served as a valuable opportunity to familiarize parents with the **curriculum** we have designed to provide a holistic

education for our children together with improving reading skills and communication abilities.

We engage our students in hands-on activities that foster a deep appreciation for the world around them. We prioritize health and wellness of our students and activities are planned accordingly. Our curriculum includes art, craft, music, and movement to encourage creative expression (pic).

Parent teacher association

The commitment and support of the KG Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) are commendable. This year, the PTA was formed in the month of June consisting of an enthusiastic group of parents. Dr. Paul Joy is the President and Dr. Lisa Davis is the Vice president of the KG PTA.

Newsletter

The launch of the monthly newsletter "Gigglez," providing exciting and enriching experiences happening at our kindergarten, has undeniably been a standout feature of the year.

Celebrations and observances of days

Birthdays and Feast Celebrations of our Manager and Associate Director served as a mark of gratitude. In order to make our students familiar with the rich tapestry of our culture imparting essential values, traditions, and a profound sense of unity, all the important days were celebrated.

Environment day planted seeds of Eco consciousness, **Reading Day** encouraged a love for books and **Teachers' day** was a beautiful occasion to reinforce the bond between teachers, students, and parents.

Independence Day celebrations instilled a deep appreciation for our homeland, the **Grand Onam Celebration** gave colour to our vibrant traditions and Diwali filled our minds with joy, fostering unity and togetherness.

Keralappiravi Day highlighted the origin and culture of Kerala.

Children's Day was made unique by Costume Day where Children dressed up as their favourite book characters.

In addition to these, we celebrated **International Fruits Day, Friendship Day, Paper Bag Day, World Smile Day and World Food Day.**

Christmas celebration presented by the Pre-KG students brought in the true Christmas cheer, showcasing their talents and sharing the joy of the season.

Talent fest was conducted to celebrate the unique talents of our children and trophies were awarded to each child with the message that every child is valued and capable.

Field Trips and day outs:

We believe that learning extends beyond the classroom. Field trip to the local post office was fun and educational, highlighting the art of communication through letters. Another field trip and annual picnic are planned for the third term

Achievements

Viswajyothi Kindergarten emerged as the overall champions at the Rajagiri Kids Fest. Out of the 61 participant schools, our kindergarten lifted the coveted trophy.

In **conclusion**, let me take this opportunity to express my HEARTFELT GRATITUDE to the Management for their invaluable guidance and encouragement, SINCERE GRATITUDE to the Principal, Vice principal and the staff of Public School for the love and support they have been consistently providing and my DEEPEST APPRECIATION to the PTA for their outstanding support in our educational journey.

I feel immensely thankful to my dedicated team of teaching and non-teaching staff.

Above all, I want to express my deep appreciation for our wonderful kids. They brighten our days with their innocence and smiles, reminding us of the true purpose and joy of education.

The road ahead holds immense promise and potential. Let us move forward hand in hand, fuelled by our shared vision and determination, as we shape a brighter and more promising future for our school and, most importantly, for the young minds entrusted to our care.

15. OBITUARY

Amidst our bright days, we had certain shocking dark days during our journey. We lost the beloved presence of our founder Manager Fr. Jose Padayatty CMI. The fragrance of his gentleness, care, concern and amiable leadership still lingers here. The unexpected demise of our cute little Therese Sijo of a class IVD was also a great loss. We share the sorrows of both these bereaved families together with other Viswajyothi families who lost their dear ones. May their souls rest in peace.

16. CONCLUSION

The only constant factor in life is change and that truth presents us with countless new blessings. I take this time to thank the Management, Parents, Teaching, nonteaching staff and dear children for extending your sincere and liberal cooperation. Indeed, these are proud moments for me, to follow the footsteps of many great Principals who were instrumental in raising this temple of learning to enviable heights.

I bow before God Almighty for his merciful blessings to fulfil our vision of perfecting holistic students' development, trying our best practices to mould morally upright, socially responsible and resourceful citizens.

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.

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

I remain. Thankyou.