

ANNUAL REPORT OF 2019-20

As the school celebrates its 17 years of committed service and incredible growth I feel honored to appraise the activities and achievements during the academic year 2019-20, as well as to commend and compliment all who made yet another fruitful year possible. Following the Dominican's vision of education and the ideals enunciated by our patron, St. Dominic, we provide a holistic education aimed at grooming our children into academically excellent, intellectually talented and socially acceptable human beings and efficient enterprising global leaders. We have always been committed to create an environment in the school which helps the young minds to blossom and provide a platform for individual thinking and holistic development of the child's personality.

STUDENTS AND STAFF

This year we have more than 1400 students on roll at St. Dominic's School including Kindergarten. Working incessantly for their welfare, we have 46 professionally competent and dedicated teaching faculties; we also have 20 members as part of the supporting staff. The dedication, commitment, and generosity of the teaching and non-teaching staff are important factors in the incredible growth of the school in the scholastic and co-scholastic areas.

SCHOOL P.T.A.

St. Dominic's School is ever blessed with an understanding and cooperative parent community, which plays an active role in all the activities of the school. The annual general body meeting of the PTA was held on June 29th 2019. And a motivation session of 3 hours was given by Rev.Dr.Arun Kalamattathil on the topic of "New Generation Parenting" for the parents. Representatives from each class were elected as executive members and Mr. Akbar and Mrs. Anns were elected as President and Vice President respectively.

PTA meetings are held at regular intervals to review the performance of the students and seek parent's participation through feedback. Their constructive criticism, and valuable feedback, has always been helpful and appreciated. I extend my special thanks to the energetic P.T.A President, Mr. Akbar, and executive committee members for their valuable support.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Achieving academic excellence is at the heart of our endeavour as educators. A perfect blend of focus, hard work, determination, and discipline, blessed with God's Grace, resulted in the outstanding results in the Board Examinations of Class X 2019. In the AISSE [Class X], out of 57 students 55 passed with distinction and 6 students got full A1 Grades. Aparna. K achieved 100/100 for Mathematics and Social Science and she stands as the topper of the school. The A1 holders, subject toppers were awarded merit certificates and trophies by our honorable MLA of Mannarkkad, Adv. N Shamsudheen. This year, we have 71 students appearing for class X Board Exams. I wish them all success in the upcoming exams and earnestly solicit your prayers and blessings for their success.

SAHODAYA FEST

I proudly announce the winners of Sahodaya Dance Fest which was conducted at Shornur Carmel School on October 11,12,13. Sanjana S of our school secured 1st place in district and state kalotsav. . For the group item One Act Play, Group Dance – UP and HS section won 1st prize in District Sahodhaya. For the first time in the history of St Dominic school, we could get the overall first in the group item.

Our students bagged a couple of prizes in the district Sahodhaya Literary Meet conducted at Bharathamatha CMI Public school Palakkad. In Versification English Devika NV won 1st prize. Our school band bagged 3rd place in state kalotsav conduted by CMI Public school Vazhakkulam, Ernakulam. Our students also participated in English Fest and secured A Grade.

TRAINING PROGRAMMES FOR STUDENTS:

Leadership Training and Personality Development:

St. Dominic's School is committed to groom the leaders of tomorrow. The development of personality and skills, especially leadership skills, has become a necessary factor in today's competitive world. Taking this into consideration, the school offers leadership training camps and personality development workshops, conducted by eminent trainers.

English Language Training:

Today, the importance of English cannot be denied nor ignored. In order to help students and teachers improve their standard of English, expert trainers are available on campus throughout the day. Activities like debate, quiz , spelling bee, anchoring and public speaking and many more are used in training the students.

SKILLS TRAINING:

a. **The class magazine:** Apart from promoting the creative and literary skills of the students, the class magazine paves way for improving interpersonal and leadership skills , competitive mind and team spirit among the students .

b. **Theme Based Notice Boards** – Each club and house is provided with a notice board, to display their knowledge and skills. Articles on the theme of the week, drawings and personalities for the month were put up. Creating such articles motivates them to draw inspiration from these themes and personalities on how to succeed and live a value based life.

c. **Remedial classes-** Special care was given to the low achievers in order to improve their academic quality. We keep morning and evening classes for weaker students.

GUIDANCE & COUNSELLING : The school not only provides the necessary initial support to the troubled students but also organizes personality development programmes and career guidance seminars for students and orientation programmes for teachers and parents. To ensure that our students are well equipped with knowledge to face any challenge, we have focused sessions on special topics including Disaster Management, Basic Life Support, Health and Hygiene, Career Counseling, Leadership Skills, Career Planning and Development

SEMINAR FOR TEACHERS

A one week orientation programme in the month of May, we provide for all teachers to energise teachers in their teaching field. And other Orientation programs and workshops for teachers are an integral part of every academic year. On November 2nd, teachers had a seminar on Teachers Enrichment and Communicative English. The class was taken by Mr. Hari Chandran, Master Trainer and Resource Person of Oxford University.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular activities classes are held on Tuesdays. Children are given special coaching in Instrumental Music (Keyboard, Guitar, Violin), Dance (classical & Western) Karate, Yoga, Roller Skating, Art and Archery. Gagan of Class VII is one of the Guinness Award Winner for doing Roller skating for 24 hours continuously.

VALUE BASED EDUCATION

Apart from regular subjects, we impart value based and life oriented education, which help students stand the test of time. We have various programmes for this purpose.

1. Moral and Religious Instruction

In addition to the weekly value education class , retreats and spiritual renewal programmes by renowned preachers were conducted for students and teachers.

2. Social Service & Community Reach out Programs

School opened its doors to the flood hit people of Nilambur. We collected a sum of Rs . 2 lakhs to help the victims of flood and for other social welfare scheme. Along with the students and faculties spent time with the people of Kavalappara.

RE-OPENING DAY

Academic activity is the pivotal point, and all other activities revolve around it. Along with regular class work, the students are motivated to have life oriented education and personality development, both of which are very essential for a successful life. The academic year began well on June 5th for classes I to X with special assembly and prayers, seeking God's blessing in all our endeavors and motivating the students to 'Perceive, Persevere and Be Productive'. The Health inspector of Karakurussi, Mr. Jayaram inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp. The PTA president, Mr. Basheer felicitated over the function and exhorted new comers to strive for excellence.

ACADEMICS

- Syllabus is divided into two terms and to check the academic proficiency school conduct periodical tests & half yearly as well as annual examination. Every months parents are allowed to meet teachers. And evaluate the academic excellence.
- Scholarship - DCL Scholarship exam conducted in the month of November for class LKG to VIII.

ENVIRONMENT DAY

Our school celebrated World Environment day on 5th June with much vitality. The theme for 2019, "beat air pollution" is a call to an action to come together to combat the global crisis for fresh air. The Health inspector of Karakurussi Mr. Jayaram inaugurated the event by planting a

sapling to mark the importance of the day. Various activities such as tree plantation, poster making, and essay writing competitions are conducted to motivate students towards their environmental safety.

READING DAY

Our school observed reading day with a variety of activities. Our chief guest Mr. Assis Beembanad pointed out the P N Paniker's contribution to the cause of literacy, education and library movement on the occasion.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Investiture Ceremony signifies the reliance and confidence that the school consigns in the newly invested office bearers. The School has witnessed election for the school parliament and house captains with a democratic election process on 26th June. The elected leaders were conferred with badges and sashes by Sir. Jayaprakash, Civil Excise Officer. Dilraj of Grade IX selected as Head Boy and Avanthika of Grade X as Head Girl. The School Parliament is instrumental in leading the activities of the students. This year the School Parliament, consisting of Head boy, Head girl, 4 house captains, Sports minister, Arts minister, and Discipline minister took oath of office during the Investiture Ceremony.

YOGA DAY

Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition .

International yoga day was celebrated in our school on 21st June .

DOCTOR'S DAY

The celebration of the Doctors' Day is an attempt to emphasize on the value of doctors in our lives and to offer them our respects by commemorating one of their greatest representatives. Our School celebrated Doctor's Day on 1st July. Our Chief Guest .Dr. Shelvi had given an awareness class to IXth and Xth students about adolescence

KCSL INAUGURATION

KCSL was inaugurated by Rev Fr. Eby Porathoor on 18th July in our school and he conducted an informative and enriching seminar on moral issues concerning the present generation.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Various clubs are formed to develop a child physically, morally, socially and mentally and to hone skills in co-scholastic areas. Such as Language club, Science Club, Social Science & Health club, Maths club , IT club, which give a number of opportunities to students to explore their interested areas . Students are segregated in different club based on their likeness. Regular Club Activities are held in which the students participate and display their calibre.

EXHIBITION

The exhibition was organized in our School on 17th July. Our chief guest Prof. Sabu and PTA President Akbar inaugurated and felicitated the function. It gave the students right exposure and platform where they could showcase their innovative inherent talents.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Our school celebrated Independence Day with festivity and patriotic fervour our chief guest most Rev. Fr. George Thuruthipally, unfurled the national flag and inspected the parade and conveyed the Independence Day message. House wise patriotic song and quiz competitions were held to promote patriotism among children.

TEACHERS DAY

Teachers' Day is one such event for which students and teachers equally look forward to. Teachers' Day is important for the students as it gives them a chance to understand the efforts put in by their teachers to ensure that they get proper education. Our school celebrated Teachers Day on 3rd September Thursday. On this Day Student Teachers had taken the responsibility of teaching.

ONAM

Onam, the most colorful harvest festival of Kerala was celebrated with much enthusiasm by our students and teachers on 5th September Thursday. Onam was celebrated with a glimpse of nostalgic traditions, that our ancestors followed. The students celebrated and enjoyed the day with floral carpet, mega thiruvathira, Pulikali, tug o' war etc.

CLEAN CAMPAIGN

On Kerala Piravi Day, October 1st, our school celebrated Clean Campaign. The students cleaned school environment.

ENGLISH FEST

English fest is held in our school under the leadership of CE faculties on 9th October with the aim of familiarizing the students with the modern English learning techniques like ASL (assessment of speaking and learning) introduced by the CBSE. It also aims at facilitating interactive language teaching practices.

PICNIC

Students were taken to different locations as a part of their study tours and field trips. This was an opportunity for them for both enjoyment and enrichment of their knowledge. The present outgoing batch was taken for 2 days tour to Mysore and Bangalore, on October 17th. Classes LKG to II std were taken to fantasy park Malambuzha, III to VI to silver storm and snow storm and VIII to IX to Wonderla Ernakulam. This provided them a venue for fun and relaxation.

SPORTS MEET AND ATHLETIC MEET

Sports competitions inculcate the spirit of positive challenges & sportsmanship among the students and prepare them for the life ahead. Our School conducted School Annual Athletic Meet on November 7 & 8. Renowned Indian international athlete Kunhu Muhammed was the Chief Guest for the programme. Sports Academy in the school was also inaugurated by the Guest

It has been put in place to help young athletes and emerging players discover their sporting potential in athletics, kho-kho, hand ball, and football. The athletes of our school made a spectacular victory by bagging couple of prizes in the district sahodaya athletic meet conducted at Vyasa Vidhya Peethom Kallekkad. Stezy S won 1st prize in high Jump U-14 and our secured overall 6th place in the district Sahodaya athletic meet

KIDS DAY

In remembrance of Birth Day of Jawaharlal Nehru, Kids Day is celebrated on November 23rd. The famous serial and drama actor and folk musician Mr. Suresh Thiruvalli inaugurated the function. We are happy to note that the confidence of the children increased multifold after Kids Fest

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is the festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. Soaking in the spirit of Christmas we celebrated the festival with enthusiasm on December 18. The school was beautifully decorated and everybody was dressed in red and white. The students sang melodious carols and danced beautifully to wish their teachers and classmates.

The significance of the festival was explained to the students by Fr. George thuruthipally. To inculcate the spirit of sharing the students distributed a small Christmas gift among themselves.

Since inception, we have been blessed with many solicitous persons whose imagination, insight and courage called forth, the best in teachers, and students alike, and united them around a shared sense of purpose. I wish to express our most sincere gratitude, and heartfelt recognitions, to our Manager, Sr. Elsy Kachappilly. O.P for all that she has been to this great institution. I thank the supportive management whose continuous support to our ideology of education has enabled the school to come this far. We are really blessed to have Rev.Fr. George Thuruthippally , whose inspiring motivation and spiritual support helped us achieve success with ease. The school is fortunate to have a happy team of committed, competent teachers whose passion for teaching and love for the school has played a vital role in all our achievements. We wish to thank our non-teaching staffs, who work relentlessly for the smooth functioning of the school. We are privileged to partner with enthusiastic, engaged parents whose trust, understanding and unstinted support been a great source of motivation to us. It's our students who made all our efforts, truly meaningful and rewarding, by their significant effort to do their best, and becoming knowledgeable, skilled and responsible citizens.

On this joyous moment, we thank each and every one for your valuable support and encouragement; your dedication and untiring efforts have taken our school to the towering heights of success and accomplishments. We will continue to provide a holistic education that turns out capable students well equipped with 21st century skills to take on the challenges that the world will throw at them.

May I conclude by invoking the blessings of the Almighty, to enable us to continue, the tradition of excellence in all our pursuits.