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Annual Report 2023-24

**'Success is the sum of small efforts,
repeated day in and day out.'**

Theme of the Academic Year - 'JOY OF GIVING'

Here is a bird's eye view of the academic and other events through the academic year 2023-24.

St. Arnold's Central School, Mysore has completed 17 years of committed service to all its stakeholders and continues to tread on the path of innovative milestones by moulding its students to become citizens who will contribute constructively to society at large.

Our school is lead by an able dynamic Principal Rev. Fr. Jossie Fernandes who keeps his students close to his heart. Being supported by the Vice Principal Rev. Fr. Edward Ferrao and the Treasurer Rev. Fr. Solomon Reddy who jointly guide in the administration to put into practice our mission and vision which aims at all round development through curricular and extra-curricular activities.

St. Arnold's Central School has a set of "68 Committed Teachers and 20 non-teaching staff. The enrollment of the students is 1580 which includes 702 girls and 878 boys.

The CBSE Exams 2023-24 has seen our 12th batch of Std X securing a cent per cent result in succession. Out of 97 students 29 has secured distinction, 34 first class. Tanusha Loksha is the topper of the school securing 95%.

The academic year commenced on 27th May with a Welcome of the new Principal Fr Jossie and a Farewell to the outgoing Principal Rev. Fr. Sunil Menezes. The students were warmly welcomed by the class teachers to create a colourful and attractive classroom environment.

The theme for the academic year 'Joy of Giving' was declared by Rev Fr Jossie, the new principal on his opening address during the assembly which was welcomed with a thunderous applause. He emphasized the significance of giving which is ingrained in the fabric of Indian Culture which needs to be carried forward to the less privileged. And our efforts to live up to the school academic theme - 'Joy of Giving' had been fruitful. Parents and students contributed generously in the form of food grains, stationery, toiletries & toys, clothing. The 'Joy of Giving' was shared to the victims of Manipur incident.

To integrate memorable milestones each year, the school organizes a number of activities which are meticulously planned in advance and reflected in the school calendar. On 24th May and 25th May we had the orientation programme for teachers by our resource person Mrs. Manju Shah of Delhi Public School, Bangalore who conducted training programme on 'Effective Classroom Management, Curriculum and Dealing with Emotional imbalance in children to establish meaningful connections with their students.'

The Investiture Ceremony on June 20, 2023 saw the induction of the school council after a democratic exercise of elections was preceded. The Head Boy Master Junaid and Miss Angelina as Head Girl and the other members of the student council were sworn in the presence of all stakeholders.

The Environment Day conducted by the School Eco Club organized various activities to promote love and respect towards nature the theme being 'Beat Plastic Pollution.' Plantation drives are a regular feature to make the school clean and green.

The International Yoga Day was observed on June 21. The PE teachers demonstrated and instructed the students on the significance and advantages of Yoga. The entire school took part in the exercise on the school ground.

Parent-Teacher Meeting is a regular feature in our school and it is arranged to acquaint the parents about their partnership with the teachers to foster and enhance a healthy learning atmosphere and safety of their children. Punctuality was the core of the PTA 2023-24.

On August 2, 2023 the Extra Curricular Activities was inaugurated to launch games like Football, Karate, Basketball, Volleyball, Dance and Art. The coaches demonstrated the various techniques to motivate students to enroll and showcase their abilities/talents.

The school also invites students join in Scouts and Guides both junior and senior wings which helps them learn life-skills, enjoy outdoor adventure and explore their environment beyond the classroom. In addition, it helps to inculcate the values of self-discipline, social service and patriotism.

The School Band Group was initiated to permit a sense of promote in teamwork. Bandmaster Mr. Jagadish was called in to train our students.

CELEBRATIONS:

Kargil Diwas was celebrated with great solemnity, remembering our war heroes who laid down their lives to protect and give us a sense of security. A special prayer assembly was commemorated in their honour.

Independence Day with the theme, 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' was celebrated to mark the 76th Anniversary of our independence. Dr Joyline D'Sa, Associate Professor and Head of the Dept. of ECE, Sahyadri College of Engineering was the Chief Guest. Students exhibited their patriotism in their presentation of Dance, Skit, Pyramids and Singing.

Celebration of Raksha Bandhan strengthens the bond between brothers and sisters to infuse the value of brotherhood.

Celebration of Teachers Day, the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishna marks the importance of teachers who impart knowledge and instill values and life skills that guide their students to unveil a world of opportunities to discover. Students of Class X organized a special programme for teachers.

Founders Day celebrated on the 8th of September was celebrated with great fervor.

Hindi Diwas was celebrated on 14th September. A special assembly was organized to mark the occasion and its importance.

Gandhi Jayanthi is celebrated every year on October 2nd. It marks the birth day of our revered Mahatma Gandhiji who played a key role in our country's freedom.

Picnics are one of the best treasures of school life. During the month of October students were grouped and taken for picnics to various tourist places in Mysore, Mangalore and Hyderabad.

Sports is given importance in school for all age groups to develop invaluable lessons of teamwork, dedication and perseverance. Our students are coached by efficient Physical Education Teachers. In the academic year 2023-24 our school had taken part in Inter School Football Championship which was held in Mysore Public School and stood 4th place. The same team had taken part at Delhi Public School too. Students participated in Inter School Kho Kho competition held at De Paul Public School. They took part in Inter School Cricket Championship which was held in CFTRI School. Our student Mohammed Ahyan of Class 9th had taken

part in CBSE State Level Skating Championship and secured 2nd place. Rithvik S Raj, Chirag Gowda, Mohammed Zain, the students of our school had taken part in under-14 cricket tournament. A two day Sports Day was organized for students to showcase their athletic skills. The Yellow House emerged as the winners scoring 183 points.

Our students participated in the Olympiad Exams organized by Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF), Hyderabad. 55 students out of 320 secured gold medals in subjects of Maths, Science, Social, English and GK.

In the Debate Competition organized by Sapient College, Ishaan P Sanjeev and Panshul Poovaiah secured the II Place winning a cash award and certificate.

The PTA was constituted after the first Parents' Meeting. Ten parents from various classes representing their membership to the PTA. The President being the Principal of the School and the VP one of the parents. The PTA met twice to discuss the improvement procedures for slow learners through Remedial Classes. The PTA also met in January 2024 to brief the parents and students of Std X to enhance their performance in the CBSE Board Exam.

The SMC has helped to ensure active community participation by its members, meeting to help/render financial support for the Manipur victims.

A session on career guidance was organized for the students of Std 9 and 10 along with their parents.

Scholarships for students acquiring the highest marks in individual subjects as well as for the highest percentage for the academic year and for the Best Outgoing Girl and Boy students were awarded.

A Health Talk was organized to create awareness among students to ensure proper habits of cleanliness, food, sleep, exercise and recreation.

In conclusion, we acknowledge that we have miles to go and will surely continue to improve the all-round development in our students for one should realize that there is no end to education in this evolving world we live in.



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