

ST. JOSEPH'S PUBLIC SCHOOL, MAZGAON

PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT, 2023-24

INTRODUCTION

The academic year 2023 - 2024 has been as the most significant in the history of St. Joseph's Public School. As we share the yearly updates of our activities, we take the modesty to say that we did our best to do as we had planned, and we are proud of our students and teachers who strive hard to achieve beyond expectations.

STAFF & STUDENTS

St. Joseph's Public School is fortunate to have a team of talented teachers. The Holy Family comprises of 32 well trained, well experienced, dedicated teaching staff and 18 Supporting staff including Clerical Staff, Assisting staff and Conveyance staff. We duly appreciate the tremendous co-operation on the part of everyone associated with the institution who have strived their best to mould our students to work hard to make their dreams and aspirations come true. Academic Year, 2023- 24 witnessed 926 students in the school campus.

ACADEMICS

Academics forms a major thrust in our scheme of activities. Lessons are planned well in advance to the last details. The use of teaching aids, stories, games, activities, projects, worksheets, etc. are incorporated into teaching plans. Correction and follow up works are regularly monitored and evaluated. Teaching methods and techniques are constantly reviewed at regular intervals to determine their effectiveness. This year, we have also introduced Skill Modules for the students of STD VI – VIII on an experimental basis. We also organize Remedial Classes for the slow achievers from January to March every year.

TESTS, EVALUATIONS AND RESULTS

The academic year is divided into two terms and the Periodic Tests, the Term Tests and Internal Assessments are conducted and results are sent to the parents for appraisal.

STUDENT COUNSELLING

Ms. Mridusmita Sarma, the student counsellor of our school, strive hard to understand the various emotional problems of the students. Their timely interactions and interventions with the students and parents met with very effective results.

ENGLISH SPEAKING

The school is trying to put in the maximum efforts to enhance the English-speaking skills of the students. To motivate the students to speak in English, the best English speakers are selected from each class on a weekly basis and are given trophies as a token of appreciation.

ACTIVITIES

St. Joseph's Public School prioritize a pedagogy which focuses on activity centered teaching and experiential learning. Hence numerous activities are scheduled in advance to keep the spirits of the students always up. These activities, I would say, have certainly augmented the confidence of the students and accelerated their energy.

MONTHLY THEMES

Every month of this Academic Year began with the invocation to a monthly theme which is an integral part of imparting value education.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

St. Joseph's Public School conducts morning assembly with various activities. Students are trained in different dimensions, which enrich their intelligence and modifies their conduct. The school assembly is arranged on certain activities as follow:

- **MONDAY:** Based on the "Theme of the Month" students exhibit their talent through demonstrations and skit.
- **TUESDAY:** To foster general awareness, several G.K. Questions are asked. The presentation on a popular Assamese poet or story writer is also part of the Tuesday assembly. The students of STD I & II exhibit their talents through a theme-based performance on Tuesdays.
- **WEDNESDAY** is a day of yoga and meditation for the students. The Club Activities are scheduled to happen on Wednesdays.
- **THURSDAY:** To enhance Hindi language learning, the entire assembly is in Hindi. Every week children will learn a few new words in Hindi. In the higher sections, students will present a story in Hindi. The kindergarten students are given an opportunity to showcase their talents on that day based on a theme.
- **FRIDAY:** St. Joseph's Public School always opens a stage for the talented children. So, on Fridays children display their talents in the form of dance or song or any other creative events on the stage.
- Theme based School Assembly Presentations by STD I & II Students:
 - Ambition by STD II A
 - English Poets by STD II B
 - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle by STD II C

- Traffic Signals by STD I A
- Personal Hygiene by STD I B
- School Discipline by STD I C

SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

The following programmes were held in the school during this Academic Year:

- Parent Teacher Meetings on 20th & 21st March 2023
- Inauguration of the Academic Year on 5th April 2023
- Inauguration of School Clubs on 15th April
- Investiture Ceremony on 3rd June
- Inauguration of School Houses on 21st June
- Independence Day on 15th August
- All Subject Exhibition 19th August
- Teachers' Day on 05th September
- Gandhi Jayanti on 03rd October
- Non- Teaching Staff Day on 03rd October
- Sports Day on 4th to 6th October
- No Book Day on 27th October
- Children's Day on 14th November
- Axom Divas on 2nd December
- Arts Fest from 5th to 7th of December
- Bihu celebration on 8th December
- Republic Day Celebration on 26th January 2024

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

These are integral part of the School Curriculum. We believe these complement the personality aspect of the child's progress. To make the ECA periods of Wednesday more active and vivid, there are 10 varieties of extracurricular activities such as Abacus, Chess, Classical Dance, Classical Music, Drawing, Guitar, Karate, Keyboard, Calligraphy and Yoga..

CLUB ACTIVITIES

This Academic year witnessed to the exhilarating performance of 7 School Clubs such as Anti Narcotic Club, Eco Club, Health & Wellness Club, Literary Club, Maths Club, Science Club and Social Club. The following Activities were held under the banner of these clubs:

- World Environment Day on 06th June
- World Blood Donor Day on 14th June
- National Reading Day on 19th June
- International Day of Yoga on 21st June
- International Day against drug abuse on 26th June
- World Calligraphy Day on 16th August
- World Photography Day on 19th August
- National Sports Day on 29th August
- National Hindi Day on 14th September
- World Ozone Day on 16th September
- International Day of Peace on 20th September
- World post office day on 9th October
- National cancer awareness Day on 7th November
- Ambedkar day on 6th December
- International day against corruption on 9th December
- National Youth Day on 12th January
- National Girl Child Day on 24th January

INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS

The following competitions were held in the school during this Academic Year:

- Colouring for STD I on 6th May
- Handwriting for STD II on 6th May
- Paper Craft for STD III on 6th May
- Identification of National Personalities for STD IV on 20th May
- Handicraft with ice-cream sticks for STD V on 20th May
- Bottle Art for STD VI on 17th June

- Jewel Making for STD VII - VIII on 01st July
- Inter House Badminton Tournament on 1st July
- Inter House Basketball Tournament on 2nd September
- Inter House Cricket Tournament on 2nd September
- Inter House Football Tournament on 28th October
- Inter House Chess Tournament on 28th October
- Inter House Carroms Tournament on 28th October

TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

The following training programs were held in the school during this Academic Year:

- Teachers' Training on pedagogy & Teaching-Learning Strategy on 27th to 29th March 2023
- Session on Fire & Safety for STD VI - XIII on 05th June
- Teachers' Training on NEP, 2020 on 7th August
- Teachers' Training on Experiential and Art Integrated Learning & Multi model form of resources on 13th to 14th October
- Sexual Education for STD VII - VIII on 21st October.

DAY TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS

- Day Trip of students to Guwahati Zoo for STD I - STD V on 20th September
- One Day Trip to Guwahati Planetarium STD VI - VIII on 22nd December

SOCIAL OUTREACH

- Act of Charity: Food distribution to flood affected area in Mazgaon Village in the month of July
- Free Eye Medical Check up for villagers and staff.

HOLY INNOCENTS KINDERGARTEN:

We have a vibrant Kindergarten Department which has been sportive and active throughout his academic year. The various programs conducted by the Kindergarten were:

- Glissando Arts Fest on 02 & 03 of August
- Lemonade Day on 16th August

- Sanskriti, 2023: The exhibition on world cultures on 07th October
- No Book Day & Movie Day on 27th October
- Sports Fest on 27 October
- Theme based School Assembly Presentations by Kindergarten:
 - Parts of Plant by UKG A
 - Current Political Leaders by UKG B
 - Festivals by UKG A
 - Nature by UKG B
 - National and State Symbols by LKG
 - Body Parts by LKG
 - Vegetables by LKG

CONCLUSION

Before concluding this report, I bow my head in reverence to the Almighty God for the blessings upon this institution. May I take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to students, staff both teaching and non-teaching, parents, benefactors and well-wishers for the wholehearted co-operation and support. Thank you. God bless you all.

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