



## HARMONY WEEK CELEBRATIONS



'Harmony Week' at SJBHS came with the message that 'positive thoughts create a positive world'. The students of Std. 10 chanted verses from religious text other than their own while the students of Std. 8 brought in photographs to show their visit to holy places other than of their own faith. The Harmony Week highlighted the message that communal harmony with nature ought to be the only religion for a progressive existence.

The 18th of August was celebrated as 'Harmony Day' at SJBHS, the first of its kind in the history of the school. The Guests of Honour were Old Boys of the batch of 1989: Dr. Shuaib Razvi, Mr. Samir Stewart, Mr. Suraj Chhabria and Mr. Arjun Unnikrishnan. They participated in a panel discussion about harmony and spoke about their understanding of religion and the role of educational institutions in bringing about religious harmony.

### LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

On Harmony Day held this term, our old boys spoke about the secular upbringing this school had offered them, and how grateful they were for these learnings. It was very heartening to hear that. Our school is based on Christian values of tolerance and respect for everyone and we make a concerted effort to follow these values in our everyday lives. We will continue with our efforts to raise boys and girls who are considerate and compassionate. There is no place in our world for hatred and bigotry.

Safety for the students in our care is our paramount concern and we are doing everything within our power to ensure this. I request our parents to fully cooperate with us, make sure you know

who is picking up your child and his / her name, current photograph and details are updated with us. This is your responsibility; please ensure that it is done and you have verified it. Also spend time learning about your child's life in school and outside so that you are completely aware of what is happening. We are happy to hear your suggestions in this matter, so do come forward.

By the grace of God, we have had a busy and eventful term. On behalf of the management and staff, I wish you all a wonderful festive season.

Thank you  
**Fr Clifford Sequeira, SJ**



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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## A STAFF ORIENTATION

was held on the 30th & 31st of May, 2017. The guest speakers were Mr. Stephen Chinnaswamy, CEO of Strides Consultants Inc., who focused on the 'empowered teacher'; Fr. Eugene SJ, who highlighted the salient features of the Protection of Children at School (POCSO) Act of 2012 and the various dimensions of child exploitation. He also touched on the pitfalls of indulging in corporal punishment; and Fr. Prasanth Martha SJ who stressed on the ethos, pathos and logos that should be prevalent at SJBHS. Fr. Swebert SJ gave a brief on IPP (Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm) bringing into sharp focus the context, experience, reflection, action and evaluation techniques of IPP.

## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

was celebrated on 5th June, 2017. The Chief Guests Dr. Surendra Varma, Senior Research Scientist IISC and Mr. Bharath AJ IISC, Founding Director of Young Innovators Educational Services Pvt. Ltd. applauded the efforts of SJBHS in saving the environment through small yet innovative methods in the academic year 2016-17, namely LED Lighting and Solar Lighting to reduce the consumption of Electricity.

**ORIENTATION FOR THE ELEVENTH** graders was held on 9th June, 2017. The new entrants were initiated into SJBHS through a brief introduction by the ISC Coordinator, Mr. Robin Colaco followed by a talk by Mrs. Jaicy George who spoke on the Jesuit ideology. Senior teacher, Mrs. Gowri Achanta spoke on Ignatian Pedagogy.

## AN INTER-RELIGIOUS PRAYER SERVICE

was held on 15th June, 2017. Harmonious reflections and readings from various religious texts were the highlight. Mr. Manish Paul, Old Boy, was the Chief Guest and spoke on the significance of being a peaceful, genuine and humble individual always thanking God for His mercies.

## THE PTA ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

was held on 16th June, 2017 in the presence of Chief Guest Rev. Fr. Joseph Royan. The Annual Report was read by Mrs. Reena Pereira, Secretary of the PTA.

## THE OBA BUZZ

It is a platform for students to express their talents and participate in healthy competition with an eye on the holistic development. Events included Debates, Dumb Charades, Mock Rock, Air Crash, Elocution, Dance, Painting, Sketching, Drawing, Creative Writing, Mad Ads, JAM, skits, music as well as the newly introduced marketing event 'Best Manager'. During the last week of June the entire school was 'Buzzing' with excitement!

## THE SENIOR SCHOOL ANNUAL SPEECH & PRIZE DAY

was held on the 14th of July, 2017. It was time to celebrate the hard work, dedication and commitment of the academic achievers for the year 2016-17, who had made their parents and teachers extremely proud! The Chief Guest for the occasion was Dr. Govind Nandakumar (MD, FACS, FASCRC), Chief of Gastroenterology and GI Surgical Oncology, Columbia Asia Hospitals and Old Boy along with the Guest of Honour, Rev. Fr Anthony Joseph, Rector of St. Joseph's Institutions.

Fr. Rector's message while congratulating the awardees and their parents, cautioned the students about being afraid of failure. The Chief Guest, Dr. Nandakumar, while reminiscing on the best days of his life as being a student at Joseph's, asked the award winners to crystallize and coalesce their dreams while adopting perseverance and resilience as their cloak and shield.



## ECO JOSEPHITES GO GREEN

The Go Green team spearheaded by Mrs. Janet and Mrs. Augustina, have chalked out a programme for the academic year 2017-18. A number of competitions were held earlier in the year along with a tree planting drive and more recently the collection of reusable clothes and books all with the aim to make the Josephites Eco-Sensitive.

## THE PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIZE DAY

was held on the 15th of July, 2017. It was the day when the academic achievers of the Primary Section of SJBHS were to be honoured for their diligence, tireless striving and indefatigable spirit of healthy competition. The Chief Guests for the occasion were Dr. Vijay H D Kamath (MBBS, MS- Orthopedics, FNBE Spinal Surgery) Dept. of Orthopedics and Spinal Surgery/Old Boy and Dr. Mrs. Anne Marie Kongari Kamath along with the Guest of Honour, Rev Fr Anthony Joseph, Rector of St. Joseph's Institutions. The Rector congratulated the winners, applauded the efforts of the teachers and parents for their dedication and hard work while inviting them to be collaborators in the Jesuit education at SJBHS. The Chief Guest told the young Josephites that the school motto of 'Faith and Toil', which is always uppermost in his mind, made it possible to achieve his life's goals.

## IGNATIAN WEEK

was held at the end of July, 2017. The celebrations were an amalgam of activities ranging from essay writing, collage making and drawing for the students to a fun quiz for the teachers. The celebration ended with a short programme conducted by the students and the staff at the school auditorium to commemorate the life, works and ideology of our beloved patron. A special mass was held in the chapel for the Catholic students.

## A PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

FOR THE NON-CATHOLIC STUDENTS OF STDS. 10 & 12 was held on 30th June, 2017. The three part seminar was an exercise in introspection, an eye-opener to the value of having a goal in life and a tryst with the connotations of inculcating soft skills in one's persona. Interactive sessions, power point presentations and inspirational movies were part of the programme.

## RETREAT FOR CATHOLIC STUDENTS

of Stds 10 & 12 was held on 30th June and 1st July, 2017. The two day retreat further helped the students to renew their faith in God, to spend time in prayer and give thanks for the blessings received. Sermons, testimonies and video presentations made the students draw parallels with the life, works and teachings of Jesus.

# NEWS IN PHOTOS



**TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS:**  
Father Principal greeting the teachers on 5th Sept; a special wish from the management of SJBHS



**FESTAL MASS:** A concelebrated mass to commemorate the life, works and ideology of St Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of Jesuits.



**INDEPENDENCE DAY** -15th August, 2017. Proud to be Indians! Chief Guest, Lt. Col. Aiyappa B.N, Old Boy commissioned into the Indian Army in 2002, saluted the Indian Flag along with the Josephites.



**THE CLC BOYS AT THE JEEVARATNI HOME** for Abandoned Children in Nallur, on the 1st of July, 2017. At SJBHS, being socially sensitized to the needs of the under privileged goes hand in hand with academics.



**INTER RELIGIOUS PRAYER SERVICE**-At SJBHS the universal religion is love, brotherhood and humanity



**SJBHS GARDEN WINS AWARD AGAIN!**  
Congratulations Mr. Francis, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Stephen & Mr. Shivanna.

## ANNUAL SPEECH & PRIZE DAY (SENIORS)

with all the dignitaries present



## OBA BUZZ

Buzzing with excitement



# SPORTS NEWS



SJBHS blanked Vidya Shilp Academy 5:2 in the U-14 finals to lift the **Eric Vaz Trophy** & in the U-17 category; Vidya Shilp Academy beat Baldwin Boys 2:0 to lift the **Centenary Shield**.



The SJBHS U-16 team beat Vidya Shilp in the finals of the **Inter School Hockey Tournament** hosted by Vidya Shilp Academy held in August, 2017.



The SJBHS Junior cricket team beat hosts Bishop Cotton Boys while the Senior Cricket team ousted the **Ebenezer International Boys** to bring home the prestigious **Interschool Cottonian Shield**, guided and supported by the Principal Rev. Fr. Clifford Sequeira SJ and the School Cricket Coach, Mr. Syed Mahaboob.

The ISC Team garnered the second place in the **Karnataka ICSE Tournament** conducted in June 2017

The U-16 Team of SJBHS was placed third in the **Bangalore Youth Football Cup** and **Game Changer Tournament** held in August 2017



The ISC Girls relay team won the 1st place in **4\*100 meters relay** organized by **St. John's School**. The team consisted of Raquel Rodricks, Simone Roy Thomas, Muthamma M B and K R Nischitha..



The ISC Boys took part in the **4\*100 meters inter school relay** organized by **St. John's High School** and were also placed first. The team consisted of Mohammed Shanin, Naman Bafna, Aravind Kannan and Mohamed Omar Shariff



The SJBHS U-16 Basket Ball Players were Runners Up in the **Clarence School COPA Tournament**

# SPORTS NEWS



On the 12th of August, 2017 the Josephite staff gathered on the SJBHS Grounds not as organizers or spectators or cheer leaders but as participants in their very own 'Sports Day', which was the first of its kind. Enthusiasm, competition and sportsmanship spirit all competed with each other as colleagues rivalled each other to make their mark. A day of fun, frolic and rejuvenation for the erudite staff of SJBHS!

## ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET (PRIMARY SCHOOL) JUNIOR JOSEPHITES PUT UP A GRAND SHOW!

Taking centre stage were the Chief Guests, Mr. P. Rabindra Pai, Old Boy and Managing Director, Century Real Estate Holdings Pvt. Ltd. and his wife Mrs. Kiran Pai along with the Guest of Honour, Rector of St. Joseph's Institutions, Rev. Fr. Anthony Joseph SJ. The day belonged to the junior Josephites. The march past, the torch ceremony and the oath taking showed the level of commitment to the games.

The drill displays were resplendent with colour, beauty and creativity. The tiny Tendulkars of Std. I educated the audience in the different batting strokes from backward defense to sweep to square cut, on drive and paddle sweep. The Zumba dancers of Std. III and the Freeze Dance by the students of Std. II brought to the fore the importance of exercise mixed with a healthy dose of fun. The LKG students, who performed for the very first time, set the mood for rhythm and vigor through their Afro Tribal Dance. Not to be left behind were the students of UKG with their Hooplas executing the various exercises with precision, making the hours of dedication put in by the teachers, Jump Bunch and Leap Start Teams worthwhile.



## ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET (SENIOR SCHOOL) PRECISION MARKS THE DAY

The inclement weather, with its torrential downpour from the previous night, had no bearing on the indomitable Josephite spirit. The management, staff and students descended on the grounds mopping and levelling the inundated land and within no time setting the record for teamwork, camaraderie and solidarity! The Chief Guest for the day was Mr. Arvind Mani, Old Boy, International Swimmer and Ekalavya Awardee. He was escorted to the dais along with the Guest of Honour, Rector of St. Joseph's Institutions Rev. Fr. Anthony Joseph SJ.

The March Past with the salute by the four contingents, the torch relay and the solemn oath set the tone for a fair yet competitive Sports Day.

The Closing Ceremony was honoured with the presence of Chief Guest, Dr. Gerard V. Aranha, Old Boy and Specialist in General Surgery and Surgical Oncology, Loyola University Medical Centre in Maywood, Illinois, United States and his wife Mrs. Rose Aranha. The blue and white Danube Flag Drill by the students of Stds 5 & 6 the dance by the students of Std 7 and the drill by the students of Std 8 culminating in the formation of five blooming lotuses depicting the Indian National flower formed a package encompassing rhythm, vigour, talent and harmony. The crowning glory, however, executed with panache was the Club Swinging Display by the students of Stds 9 & 10. Not a step went amiss and not a club was dropped to end in the formation of SJBHS 2K17.



# JUNIOR BUZZ

## L.K.G. ORIENTATION HELD ON 9TH JUNE, 2017

With broad smiles, some amount of trepidation and a whole burden of worries for the future, the parents of the tiny Josephites of L.K.G. gathered in the school auditorium to be welcomed by the Principal Rev. Fr. Clifford Sequeira SJ and the administrator of the Primary School Rev. Fr. Robert Rodrigues SJ. The speakers on the occasion Dr. Debmata Dutta (Parenting and Wellness Consultant) and Mr. Krishnan Vasudev (Parenting Expert, Family Therapist and Motivational Speaker) highlighted the values of love, understanding, hygiene, proper diet and promoted the use of etiquette. They stressed on the need for proper parental guidance, quality interaction and security as the yardstick for the child's balanced growth.



## FUN DAY - JUNE SENSE ORGANS

The theme focused on bringing attention to the five senses in a human being's life and its importance and significance in our daily routine. The sense of smell entailed exposure to a variety of fragrances as well as some not so fragrant odours while the sense of touch was brought to the fore by feeling different patterns designed on a chart. Blind folded students were asked to guess a few objects teaching them the value of sight while the sound of pebbles and marbles helped the juniors to distinguish distinct rhythms. Lastly, they used their taste buds to find the sweetness of sugar, the saltiness of salt and the bitterness of bitter gourd. All in all, all five senses were tested.



## FUN DAY – JULY COLOURS

Colours and shapes are beautifully expressed in nature and the Fun Day for the month July 2017 was conducted to celebrate the same. The day was filled with activities in which teachers introduced the different shapes and colours. The students were dressed in hues of red, blue, green, yellow and orange and were made to identify objects in a spectrum of colours.



## FUN DAY - AUGUST MERA BHARATH MAHAAN

August means Independence Day, National leaders and loads of patriotism. Fun day this term kept to the theme of Independence and the dress code was ethnic wear. Besides, some students represented the national symbols - the national flag, national bird – peacock, the national animal - tiger and the national flower - lotus. Students were made to say a few lines on each and draw and colour the National flag. Thus, prompting the young ones to have love and patriotism for their motherland!



# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM



## TEACHERS' SEMINARS

The Commission for Catechetic and Bible Studies had organized a workshop for the **Primary School Catechism** teachers on the 21st of June, 2017 at Palaana Bhavan. **Mrs. Charmaine Vierya and Mr. Brian Mckertish** attended the same.

**Mrs. Gowri Miralay Achanta** attended a seminar titled **‘The Idea of India’** held in Kolkata. The concept of India as a Nation, nationalism and new ways of teaching History were discussed. India’s noted historian, Romila Thapar, graced the occasion and gave her inputs.

A seminar on **Eco-sensitization** was attended by Mrs. Mary Janet and **Mrs. Augustina** in the month of July, 2017. The Seminar was organized by JESAT (Joseph’s Eco-Sensitization and Action Team) for empowering the teaching community to create awareness among students about environmental issues and providing practical solutions that will enable us to be the change we want to see.

On the 6th of July, the staff of SJBHS attended the talk on the **Policy For Protection Of Children And Vulnerable Adults From Sexual Abuse And Maltreatment**. Fr. Felix SJ and Fr. Praveen SJ, through power point and film presentations, brought to the audience the statutes under the POCSO Act of 2012, the Protection of Women Act of 2013 as well as the Province Policy on the same.

A **training programme in English Language** was organized by the ICSE Board at R.V. School, Lalbagh on 16th August, 2017. **Mrs. Aruna Madan Kumar and Mrs. Sheena Sam** attended the programme to keep abreast with the curriculum for the Board Exam (2018-19).

The ISC staff and students were given a talk on **Anti-Bullying** on the 24th of August, 2017. Mr. Benjamin, the resource person, highlighted the power imbalance that leads to bullying. He asked the students to be mentally strong and morally upright.

Pre-Primary teacher’s **Outbound Programme** to Claret Nivas, Sarjapur Road on the 15th and 16th of September, 2017 was an exercise in team building, learning through doing and creative thinking. Mr. Jatindar, corporate and educational soft skill trainer was the resource person.



## INNOVATIVE LABS

Thinking out- of-the-box while thinking in terms of usefulness to society, the Innovative Lab Project by the students of Stds 7 to 9 will be on display in November though the thought process has already been put in motion by the OBA. Originality, Creativity and clarity of thought will be given credit as the teams battle it out for the attractive prizes.



▶ **CAREER FAIR-** The young Josephites encounter a plethora of career options- a peak in the future!

# LAST WORD

## COMMERCE FEST BRIDGES MANY GAPS



### BIFROST 2017

In Norse mythology, Bifrost is a rainbow bridge that serves as the only permanent connection between all the worlds. The ISC commerce students believe that they need to be the bridge that connects producer to consumer, that connects the government and the public, and most importantly, that connects the rich and the poor and reduces the gap between the two.

Bifrost 2017 witnessed a total of 13 institutions participating in this two-day event held on 4th and 5th August. There were an additional 13 individual participants, taking the total to 143 participants. The six event competition truly embodied the spirit of Bifrost, constantly tackling problems, opening new avenues to learn and forging new weapons to succeed. Mr. George Ollapally, Old Boy, was the Chief Guest and gave away the prizes.



### CONGRATULATIONS!

**Abhyuday** of Std 5B won the 1st prize in an **Essay Writing Competition** held at Lalbagh on the 14th of August, 2017 for his Essay on Rashtra Kavi Kuvempu.

**Hayden D'Souza & Rithwik Saldanha** qualified in the quarter final round of **NEWS WIZ**, a national inter school quiz, conducted by India Today Group. We wish them the very best for the Semifinals to be held later in the year.

**Mr. Robin Colaco**, Mathematics Teacher of the ISC section of SJBHS was awarded '**The Best Teacher**' by IIHM, Bangalore. Congratulations Sir!

### DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL MUN

**Aleena Fatima Khan** 11A Special Mention  
**Ritwik William Saldanha** – 11A – Best Delegate  
**Aditya Vijaykumar** – 11A – Honourable Delegate  
**Hayden D'Souza** 11 – Commendable Delegate  
**Sutanshu Seth** – 12A – Honourable Delegate  
**Nikhil Anand** – 12B – Commendable Delegate  
**Shaun Kurian Paul** – 11A – Commendable Delegate

RESURGENCE, Commerce Fest at Bishop Cotton's Boys School  
**Shefali Chethan & Sylvan** from Std 11 won the **THIRD PRIZE** in the event 'Orange Revolution'.

### SJCC ROTA MUN

Special mention for **Denzel Joyson & Mohamed Zaid** Std 11 and **Aaditya Abraham & Chanakya M** Std 9

### MAGNACHRISTA – CHRIST COLLEGE FEST WINNERS

**WESTERN ACOUSTIC GROUP** 3rd Place  
**Arun, Ralph, Abhay, Vineet, Markdev, Raquel, Rachel D'Silva**

**PROPEL THE PEDDLE** 1st Place  
**Tamara Marin Robbins, Arpi Bhansali, Gaurav Gera**  
**Tismehar Singh Seghal**

**DEADLOCK** 1st Place  
**Shubhangi Anand, Shashank Agarwal, Harshit R, Rhunmayi**

**SPECULATIVE RIVER** Team 1: 1st Place  
**Shraman Siyal, Rishab Paresch Jain, Rahul Shah**

Team 2: 3rd Place  
**Mihir, Ashwin, Josh**

**FIGURE IT OUT** 2nd Place  
**Taral Rodrigues, Savio Bastian, Hridhay Sakaria, Chirayu**

**CERCA TROVA** 2nd Place  
**Adarsh F. Delavictorie, Rony Joseph, Nurail Shariff**

**SPELL B** 2nd Place  
**Rahul V**

**WESTERN ELECTRIC** 2nd Place  
**Ralph, Vineet, Arun, Markdev, Sujay**

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