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# Dear Well-wishers! Greetings from Bishop Agniswamy College of Education.

The college is a place for academic excellence and holistic approach. Our college aims at transforming the future teachers into architects of the nation. For this, we provide enough opportunities for the student-teachers and work for their integrated growth, by helping them to become intellectually competent, morally upright, psychologically mature, physically healthy and above all socially acceptable. We offer them a dynamic educational and a democratic environment with esteemed faculty and excellent educational programmes. Here we flash the triumphs of the academic year 2012–2013.

#### **Academic Admission**

Admission is done based on merit and as per the eligibility norms prescribed by the Government for the B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses. 100 students for B.Ed. and 35 students for M.Ed. were admitted as per the teacher pupil ratio insisted on by the National Council for Teacher Education.

# Inauguration of the Academic Year

The College began its academic year 2012-2013 officially on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2012 with the blessings of Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education, Muttom. He insisted on the speciality of the institution and responsibilities of the student teachers during his inaugural address.

# **Bridge Course**

To know the previous knowledge, communication skills and teaching aptitude of the students, bridge course was conducted from 30<sup>th</sup> July 2012 to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012. Mr. P. David Balasingh, Rtd. Chief Educational Officer, Mr. P. Muthuswamy, St. Joseph's Higher Secondary School, Chellamkonam, Prof. Rosario Ignatius, Vice Principal, Bethleham College of Engineering, Mr. P. Andrew Valsan, St. Mary's Higher Secondary School,

Colachel, Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Assistant Professor and Dr. A. Dennis, Principal of our college were the resource persons.

# Micro Teaching and Demonstration Classes

Micro teaching was conducted from 27<sup>th</sup> August 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> August 2012. The demonstration classes were conducted on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2012. The students from All Saints Higher Secondary School, Muttom were invited along with the subject experts. Mrs. Arunothayam and Sr. Uthiriya Mary from All Saints Higher Secondary School, Muttom, Mrs. Mary Vimala Kumari, Mrs. Darwin Rani and Mrs. Jaya from St. Mary's Higher Secondary School, Colachel and Prof. Nesamoney handled demonstration classes effectively.

#### **Student Council Election**

Student council election was conducted on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2012. Student leaders and departmentwise secretaries were elected. Student council meeting was presided over by Rev. Dr. A. Dennis, Principal of our college. He explained in detail the various responsibilities of the student council members.

# Inauguration of Clubs and Associations

Inaugural function of the subject clubs and associations were held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012. All the club and association secretaries presented the objectives, future plans and activities of their clubs and associations. Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary of the College presided over the function. Dr. A. Amal Raj, Principal, St. Jerome's College, Ananthanadarkudy was the Chief Guest. Rev. Dr. G. Felix, Parish Priest, Colachel felicitated the gathering.

# Activities of Clubs and Associations

#### Darwin Club

The Science Club - DARWIN organised an awareness programme on Deforestration on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Mrs. Lilly Stella Bai, PG Assistant, Babuji Memorial Higher Secondary School, Manavalakurichi was the Chief Guest and she delivered a lecture on deforestration.

#### Heroic Club

The History Club - HEROIC celebrated Human Rights day on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Dr. S. Jasmine Sheila Burney, Assistant Professor, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education, Muttom was the Chief Guest and she gave a talk on "Respect for Human Rights". Mebin, B.Ed. Trainee of our college gave a speech on "Awareness on Human Rights".

#### Kavimani Club

Tamil Literary Association - KAVIMANI CLUB celebrated Bharathi's Birth Day on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Mrs. J. Teransi, Lecturer in Tamil, St. Xavier's Catholic



Teacher Training Institute, Muttom was the Chief Guest and delivered a lecture on "Life Style of Bharathi". Mary Sibi Ajith, B.Ed. Trainee read Bharathi's verses.

# Shakespeare Club

English Literary Association – SHAKESPEARE CLUB organised a special meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education, Muttom delivered the presidential address. Mrs. Josephin Kebin, Principal, St. Xavier's Teacher Training Institute, Muttom delivered the key note address. Roshi Rohini, B.Ed. Trainee delivered a speech on "The Life and Achievements of the Greatest Dramatist William Shakespeare". The Staff Adviser Mr. S. Pushpadhas felicitated the gathering.

### Consumer Club

Consumer awareness programme was organised by our consumer club on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Mr. P. Vel Murugan, Assistant Professor, Bishop Agniswamy



College of Education, Muttom was the Chief Guest and he spoke on "Consumer Awareness".

#### Physical and Health Club

Physical and Health Club organised a Cancer Awareness programme in collaboration with CEDO, a Non-Governmental Organisation on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2013. They also checked the blood group of our students on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2013.



Women's Club

The International Women's Day was celebrated on 8th



March 2013. Mrs. Mary Radhika was the Chief Guest. She gave awareness on how a woman in India, especially in Tamil Nadu should play her role both in her family and in the society.

#### Eco Club

The Eco Club celebrated Water day on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013. Mr. Devasahayam, Forest Ranger, Nagercoil was the Chief Guest. He spoke about the importance of water, green life and wild life. Our students staged a skit related to the importance of trees and the ill effects of deforestation.

#### Blood Donor's Club

Blood Donor's Club arranged a blood donation camp in our campus on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2013. A team from Government Hospital, Thuckalay came to our college and conducted the programme. Dr. L. P. Sastha, Medical Officer gave the Chief Guest's address. Mrs. M. Maria Christy gave Awareness on Blood Donation and collected twenty five units of blood from our students.

#### **Observation**

We arranged observation classes on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> September 2012. All the trainees were sent to nearby schools to observe the classes of senior teachers to have a first hand experience of the teaching learning process,

which would help them in their preparation for the intensive teaching practice.

# Teachers' Day Celebration

On 5<sup>th</sup> September 2012, the students took up the Teachers' day celebration in their hand to honour all the teachers with their lively programmes.

# Colloquium for M.Ed.

Colloquium for M.Ed. students was arranged on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2012. Dr. P. Vijayal, Former Principal, V.O.C. College of Education, Thoothukudi acted as the Chairperson of the programme. She pointed out the purpose of conducting colloquium and handled the session fruitfully. Our M.Ed. students presented their research proposals and clarified their doubts.



# Orientation on E-journal

The Orientation Programme on E-journal was organised on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2012. Dr. P. Saravanan, Librarian, Lekshmipuram College of Arts and Science, Neyyoor, Kanyakumari District was the resource person. He explained the list of e-journals through powerpoint presentation. He conducted demonstration class on how to use *inflibnet* for research. Our B.Ed. and M.Ed. students and the faculty members participated in the orientation programme and clarified their doubts.



#### Model Class for ALM

The model class for Activity Learning Method (ALM) was arranged on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012. Mr. Xavier, Mr. Paul Raj and Mr. Arul Dhas, Training Staff, SSA, Killiyoor conducted the classes.

# **Intensive Teaching Practice**

After developing the skills of micro teaching and the skills in macro teaching by the subject experts, the students were sent to various schools for their intensive teaching practice from 5<sup>th</sup> October 2012 to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

#### Data Collection for M.Ed.

The M.Ed. students went for data collection for their projects from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012 to 12<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

# Cancer Awareness Programme

Cancer Awareness Programme was conducted at Pillaithoppu on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2012. Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education presided over the programme. Rev. Fr.Alwin



Rex, Paris Priest, Muttom delivered the keynote address. Dr. S. Justin, St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai acted as the resource person.

# **Special Coaching Classes for UGC-NET Exam**

The Special Coaching Classes for UGC-NET Examination 2012 was conducted on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012 and 1<sup>st</sup> December 2012. Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education delivered the presidential address and felicitated the programme. Dr. Sheeja V. Titus, Assistant Professor of Education, St. Ignatius College of Education, Palayamkottai, Mrs. Padmakala, Assistant Professor of Education, Holy Trinity College of Education, Melpalai,

Mr. L. Xaiver Prince, Coordinator, M.Ed. Programme, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education, Muttom and Mr. S. Parthiban, Assistant Professor of Education, Ruben College of Education, Thadikkarankonam were the resource persons.



# **Alumni Association Meeting**

The Alumni Association meeting was organised on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2012. There was a discussion about the development of the college and some suggestions and



action plans were put forward for execusion. The next alumni association meeting was organised on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2013. They met together and shared their experiences in the work settings. They passed a resolution to conduct TET coaching classes in the college campus by the college Management.

#### **Parent Teacher Association**

The Parent Teacher Association meeting was organised on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Mr. Azhagesan, President of the association presided over the meeting.



Parents discussed the growth and development of the college and their children. They proposed some action plans for the development of the college to be implemented in future.

#### Guidance and Counselling by Staff

Our students were randomly selected by lot and each staff was given 10 students for counselling on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2012. The students shared freely about their family and academic problems and got guidance and counselling from our staff members. They were also asked to meet the concerned staff during the break hours to get guidance if needed.

#### NAAC Peer Team Visit

The NAAC Peer Team visited our college on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Prof. J.H. Pancholi, Former Vice-



Chancellor, Hemachandracharya North Gujarat University, Gujarat was the Chairperson, Prof. N. Govindarajulu, Former Professor and Head, Department of Physical Education and Sports, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry was the Member Coordinator and Dr. Babu



Kochamkunnel, Principal, P.K.M. College of Education, Kerala was the member of the peer team. They keenly observed the infrastructural and instructional facilities of the college and submitted the report to the NAAC office, Bangalore. Based on their recommendations our college got 'B' Grade with 2.72 CGPA points.

# **Sports Day**



Sports day was conducted on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Rev. Fr. Victor was the Chief Guest and he distributed the prizes to the winners.

#### **Christmas Celebration**

The Christmas Day was observed on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2012. Rev. Fr. Justus, Vicar Forane was the Chief Guest of the Christmas function. He delivered an inspiring message



about Christmas. The students gave cultural programmes related to Christmas and Carols with a Santaclaus. It was really a cherishing one.

# Workshop on Soft Skills for Professional Excellence

A workshop on "Soft Skills for Professional Excellence" was organised in our college on 5<sup>th</sup> January



2013. Rev. Fr. M. Stanley Sahaya Seelan, Secretary of our college delivered the inaugural address. Mr. Rose Cyril Xavier, Sub-divisional Engineer, BSNL was the resource person. Dr. S. Jasmine Sheila Burney, Principal of our college delivered the valedictory address and distributed the certificates.

#### Citizenship Training Camp

Citizenship training programme was organised from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at Bishop's House Campus, Nagercoil. Mr. Rose Cyril Xavier handled the first session



on Reflex Action, Dr. Arulraj gave a talk on Human Rights, Miss. Malarvathi, the winner of this year's Sahitya Academy Award for Young Writes, delivered a speech on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace, Mr. Soosai Michael spoke on Thiruvalluvar and his Cultural Heritage, Mr. Saravanan gave a talk on 108 Ambulance Service, Rev. Dr. Nelson gave an awareness on Addiction, Dr. James R. Daniel gave a talk on Social and Political Analysis and Fr. Gunabal gave a talk on Personality Development. Murasu's folk arts programmes were also conducted. Our student-teachers visited Shanthi Nilayam, the special school for mentally challenged children on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013.

#### Fine Arts Day

Fine Arts day was celebrated from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2013. Essay writing, Verse writing, Drawing, Painting,



Rangoli, Ad-Mad, Mime, Elocution, Group song and Group dance competitions were held. Rev. Fr. Victor distributed the certificates and prizes to the winners.

# Top-Notch in the Cultural

We are happy to record that our students have participated and bagged many prizes in the cultural competitions organised by other colleges during this academic year. The list of the prize winners are given below:

Winners of Inter Collegiate Cultural Competitions held during 2012-2013					
Sl. No.	Name of the Festival and Venue	Events	Prize Winners	Place	Group / Solo Event
1	Elocution Competition United Janatha Dal  1st November 2012	Elocution	D. Mebin	First	- Solo Event
			G. Arockia Amala Sherly	Second	
2	Inter-Collegiate Cultural Competition (GRACE FEST) Grace College of Education, Padanthalumoodu 22nd February 2013	Group Dance	E. Benisha Joy A. Abigail Alexander Y. Beny Romiyo V. Suci Felin H. Gladit Mary M. Simel Melba	First	Group Event
3	Inter-Collegiate Quiz Competition Bethlahem College of Education, Karungal, 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2013	Quiz	Freaderic A.Halish & C. Mahendra Kodilan	Second	Group Event
4	Inter-Collegiate Cultural Competition Holy Trinity College of Education, Melpalai, 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2013	Fusion Dance	E. Benisha Joy A. Abigail Alexander J. Jenibha Merlin H. Gladit Mary T. Auxilia A. X. Sahaya Minmis Sajini	First	Group Event
2 * 1		Group Song	A. Sunil Jenila B. Benista M. Thiruvasaham T. Usha Devi K. Sindhu S. Akila Mary	Second	Group Event
0 9		Elocution	D. Mebin	First	Solo Event
		Classical Dance	E. Benisha Joy	Second	Solo Event
5	National Level Quiz Competition R.P.A College of Education, Mamootukadai, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2013	Quiz	Freaderic A.Halish & C. Mahendra Kodilan	Second	Group Event

# **Pongal Celebration**

Samathuva Pongal was arranged in a grand manner on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2013 with the help of the students' council. Sweet pongal cooked by our students was distributed to the staff and the students. It was a happy get-together of the Tamil festival.



# Field Trip

One day field trip was arranged for the B.Ed. students on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2013 to Trivandrum and Kovalam. They



visited Zoo, Art Gallery, Planatorium and Aquarium. Our staff members accompanied the students.

#### **Educational Tour**

On 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013 our college students and staff members went on a tour to Bangalore and Mysore. They



visited Visvesvaraya Industrial Technological Museum, Lal Bagh, Tippu Palace, Chamundi Hills, Mysore Palace, Brindavan, Wonder la and Infant Jesus Church. After the successful completion of the tour they returned home safe to the satisfaction and happiness of the parents on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2013.

#### National Voter's Day

National Voter's day was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013. Mr. S. Pushpadhas, Assistant Professor, Bishop Agniswamy College of Education addressed the gathering and spoke about the importance of the day, the duty and



responsibility of every citizen in voting. Our students took the oath related to voter's day.

#### **Practical Examination**

Practical Examination was conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013. Dr. Punitha Mary, Assistant Professor, St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the Convener, Mrs. Gomathi, Assistant Professor, Sri Saratha College of Education for Women, Tirunelveli and Bro. Domnic Savio, Head Master, All Saints Higher Secondary School, Muttom were the external examiners.

#### Placement Cell

The employers from Tamil Nadu and other states prefer our trainees for employment in their institutions.



The placement cell looks after the employment opportunities. AKT Academy Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Kallakurichi sent its request for teacher recruitment on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2013. St. Treasa Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Valukkamparai sent its request on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2013. Infant Jesus Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Kalpakam visited our College on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2013, St. Joseph's Matric School, Nagercoil and St. Joseph's Matric School, Simoncolony conducted interviews and selected many candidates for placement.

# **Red Hand Campaign**



The Red Hand Campaign was conducted on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2013 in our college. Mr.Y.Siluvai Vasthian, Director, Human Education and Action for Liberation Movement (HEAL), Nagercoil spoke about the importance of red hand campaign. He conducted practical classes and estampage handprints from the students and took pledge.

# **Graduation Day**

The Graduation day for the students of 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 batches were held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2013 at 10.00 a.m.



in our college auditorium. Dr. A. Amalraj, Principal, Sri Saratha College of Education, Tirunelveli delivered the Graduation Day address and distributed the diplomas. Both B.Ed. and M.Ed. students received their degrees.

#### College Day

The College day was celebrated on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2013 at 2.30 p.m. Most Rev. Dr. Peter Remigius, Bishop of R.C. Diocese of Kottar presided over the function and delivered



the college day address. Proficiencies in various fields were recognised and rewarded. Our college Governing Board members gave their messages and blessings to all the students.

# Releasing of the LHJRE Journal

Our college published a journal namely *Light House Journal of Educational Reflections* (LHJRE) on 3<sup>rd</sup> May

2013. It is an ISSN registered bi-annual journal of social science. The first issue of the journal was released by Most Rev. Dr. Peter Remigius, Bishop of R.C. Diocese of Kottar and received by Dr. S. Jasmine Sheila Burney, Principal of our college.

#### **Exam and Evaluation**

The first and second terminal exams were conducted during September 2012 and January 2013 respectively.



The first and second revision exams were conducted between 8<sup>th</sup> April 2013 and 8<sup>th</sup> May 2013. The model exam was conducted on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013. All the exam papers were evaluated. The failures and the slow learners were given guidance and counselling and the know-how of scoring high marks in the exam.

