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Fr. Principal's Message

Institutions of Higher Learning are not just places where knowledge acquisition happens, but these also need to be centres that promote critical thinking and holistic learning. A person who is only interested in acquiring knowledge and skills will be limited to one's own area of learning and wouldn't be able to contribute much to the society. But a person who cultivates critical thinking would continuously seek to find answers to the issues one faces through probing and searching for those answers. Along with this a holistic learning environment enables the seeker to acquire relevant skills and be sensitive to the environment comprising of people, life and nature. Today's higher education centres need to be centres that allow free and critical thinking, and promote holistic learning. Certain instances in the recent times in our country give an impression in the opposite direction. St. Claret College strives to promote holistic education and learning through different activities that we promote here. Our students have been very active in curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities this semester. We had national seminars; overall cultural championships at two college fests; Mayurika, the intercollegiate cultural fest, Sports Meet, and Recipro, the fest that amalgamates cultural diversities and promote social commitments. Along with these we had seminars, industrial visits, and guest lectures. Our students have won many accolades in different competitions and two of our students won University Ranks. We believe the steps we take are in the right direction in imparting holistic education to the Claretines that make them to acquire knowledge and skills, allow them to think critically and promote an environment of holistic learning.



Rev. Dr. Sabu George, CMF
Principal

Mayurika 2016 Celebration of Culture and Passion



The chief guest lights the lamp for inauguration

St Claret College conducted the sixth edition of the inter-collegiate arts and cultural fest "Mayurika 2016" on February 18, 2016. Mayurika provides a platform for students from various colleges to showcase their talents and abilities to the rest of the world.

The team from the upcoming Kannada movie *Simple Aagi Innondu Love Story*, including director Simple Sinu, lead actors Ms. Meghana Gaonkar and Mr. Praveen and award winning short film director Mr. Jayram were the chief guests for the day. Rev. Fr. Varghese Karukulathel, Manager; Rev. Fr. Joseph Mathew, Administrator, Rev. Dr. Sabu George, Principal, and Rev. Fr. Vineeth George, Vice Principal were also present with the dignitaries.

Mr. Praveen talked about his upcoming film. He also gracefully danced with Ms. Meghana, his co-star. Rev Dr Sabu motivated the students to follow their passion to achieve success in life.

Student from 29 colleges from all over Bengaluru participated in the events and thoroughly enjoyed the fest. Some of the events conducted were Group Dance, Pencil Sketching, Adaptune, Mime, Face Painting, Tattoo Designing and Fashion Show. The overall championship was bagged by Kristu Jayanti College.

Recipro

Celebration of Culture and Food

St Claret College celebrated the seventh edition of Recipro, a festival of food and culture on February 6, 2016. The annual event provided a platform for the students to embrace varied cultures and showcase different ethnicities. Kannada actors Mr Sourav Lokesh, and Sahana were the chief guests of the day.

The college was divided into six teams with students from various states which helped promote diversity and cultures. Different cultural programs - various dances, music and performance - were showcased during the fest. An ethnic fashion show was also held where each team displayed beautiful avatars from various places. The main aim of the event is to reciprocate what one has received



The chief guests Inaugurate Recipro - 2016



Bangalore University Rank Holders



Ms. Shabnam Fairoz,
I Rank
BCA - 2012-15

Congratulations



Ms. Ashwini C,
VIII Rank
BCA 2012-15

from the society. This year, Recipro intended to raise funds for meeting the medical needs and education purpose of the underprivileged in the society. The proceeds of the event included the money collected from the sale of raffle booklets for charity. The raffle prizes awarded were a 32" Samsung HD LED TV for the first place, two Lenovo 2 A7- 30 Tablets for the second, three Sony Cyber Shot Cameras for the third and ten Fastrack watches as consolation prizes.

Departmental News

Department of Commerce

- Cometa 2016: a kite flying competition for the Degree and PU students of St. Claret Institutions was organized on January 14, 2016. The competition was held on the occasion of International Kite Flying Festival. More than 60 teams participated in the competition.
- Department of Travel & Tourism organized an educational tour to Hyderabad from January 23-26, 2016 for B.Com (Travel and Tourism) students. The students were accompanied by faculty members Ms. Neepa Premodh, Ms. Chaitra K S, Mr. Banuprakash and Mr. Mohan Kumar. They visited several places like Birla Temple, Golconda Fort, Lumbini Garden, Salarjung Museum, Charminar and Ramoji Film City.
- The students of III year B.Com visited the Cocoa Cola plant for an industrial visit on February 23, 2016. These students were shown various processes involved in packaging and marketing the product.
- E-Cell Conducted several competitions from February 25, March 2016. The events included Poster Making, Product Launch, Business Quiz and Journey of an Entrepreneur.



Cometa-2016: Participants with their kites

Department of Humanities

- Extension Activity: Mr. Allan Fernandez, Co-ordinator of Dept. of Humanities accompanied by Mr. Madesh, HoD of Dept. of Languages along with a few students visited the office of Saraswathi Charitable Trust, Mathikere, Bengaluru on January 08, 2016 and handed over groceries and toiletries that were collected from the students of the college.
- Literary Week: The Literary Club conducted "Literary Week" from January 18-22, 2016. Students from various departments actively participated in poster-making competition by showcasing their innovative ideas through posters. Other events conducted included debating, essay writing, Short-story writing and movie review.
- A Guest Lecture on Business Journalism was held on February 20, 2016 for all the three BA batches. The Resource person was Mr. Shashwat Awasthi, North American News Team, Reuters.
- Claret Conference 2016 (A One-Day State Level Conference): Texts-Co-Texts-Pretexts and Contexts: Making Connections was held on February 22, 2016. It witnessed 52 paper presentations by PG and UG students of English from over 15 colleges across the state. The prize winners in each category are:
UG: Sarah Geevarughese of St. Claret College- I Prize, Aniseibo Antony of SFS College- II Prize, Aditya Kedia of Presidency College- III Prize
PG: T R Bhavani of Tumkur University – I Prize, Manohar S K of Jain University – II Prize, Umraz Fatima of Tumkur University- III Prize



Inauguration of literary week



Claret Conference Inauguration

Department of Computer Science

- IT Club conducted a collage competition on the topic "Networking" on January 6, 2016. Students of the department actively participated and won prizes.
- Guest lecture was conducted for III year BCA students on 'Importance of Java Technology in the Current Technology World' by Mr. Yasin, Corporate Trainer, Aptech, on January 6, 2016. The seminar covered aspects like the current trends in technology especially Java, its evolution and platforms, its importance and application, and its scope in terms of building a career and opting for higher education. This was followed by the commencement of add-on programme for the students of III year BCA in association with Aptech on January 13, 2016.
- Extension Activity: Computer Literacy Drive was organized for the ladies of the neighborhood from January 11 – 14, 2016 by students of the department. The participants were exposed to computer fundamentals and internet browsing.
- Alumni talk was held on 'Business Intelligence Visualization Tools' by Mr. Vishnu A. P., Wipro Technologies, Bangalore on January 16, 2016. He briefly discussed about Visualization, R language, Mongo DB, Qlick view and Qlick View Expressor.
- Students of II year BCA visited the STPI (Software Technology Park of India), Bengaluru on February 5, 2016. The students were accompanied by Ms. Menaka C., Asst. Professor, Dept. of Computer Science and Mr. Shinil M. K., System Administrator. The students were provided with the opportunity to know about working techniques, schemes related to computer networks and entrepreneurship skills required for starting new companies.



Aptech Seminar in progress

Department of Languages

- A Guest Lecture for the students of Hindi was conducted on January 16, 2016 on the topic "Hindi Bhasha Sahitya Aur Yuva Peedi". The resource person was Dr. Vinaykumar Yadav, HoD, Bishop Cotton Women's College, Bengaluru.
- A Guest Lecture for the students of Kannada was conducted on January 27, 2016 on the topic "Dasa Sahitya Review". Dr. N. Geethacharya, HoD, Kannada Dept., Sheshadripuram College, Bengaluru was the resource person.



Hindi guest Lecture: Chief Guest with faculty of the department



Guest Lecture on Kannada Dasa Sahitya

Department of Management

- Crisis Management session was conducted by Management Club on January 12, 2016. All the students of the department were divided into various teams class wise and given a situation to manage. They came forward to present their views on how to solve the crisis given using the resources provided to them. Sachin and team of final year and Sijo and team of II year were tied at first place. Second place went to Abhishek and team of final year and third place was won by Ajinu and team from II year.
- Industrial visit: I year BBA students visited Bangalore Dairy on January 21, 2016 accompanied by faculty Member Mr. Zameer Pasha. Students found the visit useful as they could see the various processes involved in milk processing under the guidance of the plant supervisor.

Christmas and New year Celebration



St Claret College celebrated Christmas and New Year on December 31, 2015. Students organized different programs to celebrate the joy of the festival. Rev Dr Sabu George, the Principal, gave the message of hope and goodness to the students.

ICMA Bangalore Chapter Conducts Career Guidance Program

Claret Center for Professional Studies (CCPS) conducted a career guidance programme for First Year B.Com and BBM students. Mr. Chidambara G., Chairman of the Bangalore Chapter of ICMA was the resource person of the day. He spoke about the ICMA foundation course and the benefits of doing the course.



The students greatly benefitted with interaction they had with Dr. Chidambara.

Green Day 2016

Environment Club of St. Claret College conducted various competitions on January 12, 2016, as part of Green Day celebrations. Some of the events conducted were Essay Writing, Slogan Writing, Collage Making, Rangoli, Face Painting, Caption Writing, Debating and Best-Out-of-Waste. Students participated in different events with enthusiasm.



CSA Students visit Thritwa Ashram

Christian Student Association (CSA) of St Claret College organised a visit to Thritwa Ashram, a home for the abandoned woman from the street, in Thanisandra, Bengaluru on January 23, 2016. The initiative was part of the annual outreach program of CSA to help the underprivileged of the society. Rev. Fr. Vineeth George, Vice Principal; Ms Seema Jose, Ms Anju Michael, CSA Coordinators; Ms Tina Martin and 45 student volunteers were a part of the visit. Students performed various entertainment programs for the inmates.



Session on "Suicide Prevention"

St. Claret College conducted a two-hour session on "Prevention of Suicide" on January 2, 2016. The resource person was Rev. Dr. Paulson Veliyannoor, Principal of St. Claret College, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh. He discussed the various reasons that lead to suicides and elaborated on the ways in which they can be prevented. The session on this socially relevant issue was an eye-opener for students.



Rev. Dr. Paulson conducting the session on "Suicide Prevention"

College celebrates the Birthday of Principal

St. Claret college celebrated the birthday of its principal Rev. Dr. Sabu George on January 14, 2016. The entire college participated in the celebrations hosted by the members of the Core Council. The Vice Principal, Rev. Fr. Vineeth George talked about Fr. Sabu's service to the college, praising him for his humility, punctuality, and spirituality.



Happy Birthday to our beloved Principal

Republic Day Celebration

NSS celebrated Republic Day on the college campus on January 26, 2016. Rev. Fr. Vineeth George, Vice Principal and faculty members Mr. Muniraju, Mr. Madesh, Ms. Nayana and Ms. Seema Joseph were present during the programme. Students showcased various patriotic performances during the programme.



NSS Camp

NSS volunteers of the college attended the NSS camp at NSS Bhavan, Jnana Bharthi, Bengaluru from January 14-20, January 2016. Mr. Madesh and Ms. Nayana, NSS co-ordinators accompanied the students. The camp incorporated informative guest lectures and vibrant cultural programmes. The Principal, Rev. Dr. Sabu George inaugurated the camp. Students also participated in a march from Central College to Kanteerava Stadium. Dignitaries like the Vice Chancellor of Bangalore University and Minister of Karnataka state Govt., Mr. Narendra Babu were also present.



Valedictory function of the NSS Camp

NCC

St Claret College organised an orientation programme on NCC on February 9, 2016. Col. Praveen Chauhan, the Commanding Officer of the 8th Karnataka & Goa BN was the resource person for the day. He informed the students about the scope and career opportunities of an NCC cadet.

Sports Club

Athenia - Sports Day

St Claret College organized the annual intra-collegiate sports fest "Athenia 2016" on January 23, 2016. Along with track and field events, various events like throw ball, badminton and tug-of-war were conducted. Keerthi Kumar of I Bcom was the individual boys' champion while Priscilla of III BCA became the individual girls' champion. Third year students were the runners-up and the overall trophy was lifted by the second year students.



Swachh Bharath Rally



Social Action Forum (SAF) and Environmental Club jointly organised 'Swachh Bharath' rally on January 28, 2016, in the neighborhood of the college. The rally aimed at creating awareness about cleanliness of trees. Students made posters and placards for this cause. More than 70 students enthusiastically participated in this rally.

SCC organises Eye Check-up Camp



Social Action Forum (SAF) and Environment Club jointly organised a free Eye Check-up Camp for students and outsiders at St Claret College on January 29, 2016. Doctors from Nethra Eye Hospital Bengaluru conducted the check-ups. Many people from the neighbourhood attended the camp and benefitted from it.

Faculty Achievements

Publications

- Ms U.Shashikala, of Dept of Humanities, published an article titled "Bandikane" in "Vishva Kavi Kuvempu Noornendu Nenapu", at Mysore on 29 November 2015
- Ms U.Shashikala, Dept of Humanities, published a book titled "Satyakana Vachanakalu and explanation", at Shimogga District, on February 19, 2016.
- Mr Mohan Kumar and Mr Vasu, Dept of Commerce, published a paper titled "Study on financial health of Steel Authority of India, Ltd" in the Empirical Journal of Interdisciplinary Research Vol. No.2, Issue 2, 2016, ISSN 2454-1362, pp 151-161.
- Mr Mohan Kumar and Mr Vijo Jose, Dept of Commerce, published a paper titled "An Emperical study of relationships between leverages and profitability of Bharti Airtel" in the International journal of current research Vol No. 8 Issue No.1 January 2016, ISSN-0975-833X pp 25829-25834.
- Ms Reema Harshith, Dept of Humanities, published a paper titled "Food, culture and diasporic identity: A study of Jhumpa Lahiri's fiction" in the proceeding of National Conference held at Garden City College of Science and Management Studies on February 2016, Vol No.6 ISSN- 2249-2542.
- Mr. Madesh N., HoD, Languages published a paper titled "Prastuta Shikshana Vyavasthe Edursitriiva Sadhyathe Mattu Savalgalu" in Jeevanmukthi Patrike dated January 15, 2016.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences Attended

- Mr Zameer Pasha, Dept of Management attended an International Conference on "Global Convergence of Management Education and Practices" organized by Canara Bank School of Management Studies, Bangalore University on November 25 - 26, 2015.
- Mr Zameer Pasha and Mr Raghavendra K., Dept of Management attended a workshop for 4th Sem BBM on January 19, 2016 at Vijaya College, Bengaluru.
- Mr Suraj, Dept of Commerce attended a workshop for 4th Sem BCom organized by Bangalore University on January 20, 2016, at MLA College, Bangalore.
- Mr Mohan Kumar, Mr Suraj and Mr Vasu, Dept of Commerce attended a 2 day workshop on IFRS on February 18 and 19, 2016 organized by Dept of Commerce Bangalore University in association with ISDC and ACCA at Central College, Bangalore.
- Mr. Madesh N., HoD, Languages attended a One Day National Seminar at Jnana Bharthi, Bangalore University on Decemeber 29, 2015.

Papers Presented

- Ms. Maria Rajan Thaliath, of Dept of Humanities, presented a paper on "The Yellow Wallpaper: Against a 'Gendered Madness'" in the International Conference on "Narrative and Narratology: Traditions and Innovations in Story Telling Patterns" on February 5-6, 2016 in Garden City College, Bangalore.
- Ms. Reema Harshith, Dept of Humanities, presented a paper titled "Defying the social norms in a quest for identity: A study of Kamala Das's "My story" in the International Conference on "Narrative and Narratology: Traditions and Innovations in Story Telling Patterns" that was held on February 5-6, 2016 in Garden City College, Bangalore.
- Mr. Allan Prashanth Fernandez, Dept of Humanities, presented a paper titled "Bhakti Poetry as a Vehicle of Protest against Society and Culture" in the National Seminar titled "Mapping Literature with Culture and Society" on February 9, 2016 organized by the Dept of English S/F.N.M.S.S Vellaichamy Nadar College, Madurai.
- Mr. Madesh N, HoD, Languages presented a paper on "Kannada Kalike, Bodhane, Sadhyathe Mattu Savalgalu" in the State Level Seminar organised by Jindal College, Bangalore on January 30, 2016.
- Ms. Neepa Pramodh, Dept. of Commerce, presented a paper titled "A study on Entrepreneurial Opportunities" in the UGC Level Conference on Indian Tourism and Entrepreneurship on February 23, 2016.

Consultancy

- Mr. Waseem Akram, Dept of Humanities was invited as an external judge for inter-collegiate Debate Quiz held at Babu Degree College.
- Mr. Waseem Akram, Dept of Humanities was a judge and resource person for Arts Exhibition held at St. Philomena's Composite PU College, Bidadi.
- Mr. Waseem Akram, Dept of Humanities was appointed as a member of governing council, the Bangalore Social Sciences Forum (R), Basawanagudi
- Ms. Cassandra Rane, Dept of Management, set question papers for I and III semester MBA for Rai Technology university for odd semester, January, 2016.
- Ms. Maria Rajan Thaliath, Dept of Humanities, set question papers for I semester English for Rai Technology university for odd semester, January, 2016.
- Ms. Rashmi B. H., Dept of Commerce, set question papers for Rai Technology University for Diploma students, odd semester, January, 2016.

Student Achievers

- **Intercollegiate Fest organized by Babu Degree College January 30, 2016**
Group Dance - III Prize- College Dance Team - Suvarna (III BCA), Vinam (II B.Com), Rashmitha (II BBM), Reetu (II B.Com), Aravind (III B.Com), Anil (II B.Com), Saurav (II B.Com TT) and Akhil (IBBM)
Solo Singing - III Prize- Sheetal of III B.Com
Business Quiz- II Prize- Jeffin & Joseph of III B.Com
Ice Breaker- I Prize- Alwyn (III B.Com), Kiran (III B.Com), Jim (III B.Com), Venkatesh (III B.Com), Vaishnavi (II BA)
Debate- III Prize- Sarah and Vaishnavi of II BA
- **Intercollegiate Fest, Indian Academy Degree College, February 12, 2016**
Group Dance- II Prize- College Dance Team
HR Event- I Prize- Saran Raj and Anitha R. (II B.Com)
- **Intercollegiate Fest, St. Anne's College, February 16, 2016:**
Group Dance- I Prize - College Dance Team
- **Intercollegiate Fest, Kristu Jayanti College, February 20, 2016**
Group Dance- I Prize- College Dance Team
Retro Dance- I Prize- Suvarna (IIIBCA) and Anil (II B.Com)
Folk Dance- I Prize- College Dance Team
College won the overall championship.
- **Tourism Fest at Jyothi Nivas College, February 23, 2016:**
Travel Writing- I Prize- Maria Bartholomea
- **National Level Intercollegiate IT Fest, Kristu Jayanti College, February 4-5, 2016**
IT Manager- I Prize- Simon Sebastian- III BCA
Best Tech Team- II Prize- Kalyan, Kaushik and Vinod, III BCA
- **Intercollegiate IT Fest, Sri Aurobindo First Grade College**
IT Rangoli- I Place- Mamtha and Swetha of III BCA
IT Manager- I Prize- Simon Sebastian- III BCA
On Spot Presentation- III Prize- Jobin
- **IJNM- Essay Writing on "Media Makes no Influence on our Lives"- I Prize - Sarah Geevarughese**
- **One Day NSS Student Seminar- Sheshadripuram College**
Paper Presentation- I Prize- Preethi Kumari (III B.Com) for the paper "Ambedkar and Indian Constitution".
- **National Integration Camp, Mangalore University**
Syed Imam and Rakesh R. participated
- **Humanities Fest- Mount Carmel College- December 11-12, 2015:**
Photography - I Prize- Sijo & Ajay (II BA)

Sports

- **Sindhi College Tournament:** Inter-collegiate Basketball matches on February 22-23, 2016 the college basket ball team won III place