## FOUNDER DAY CELEBRATION

The much-anticipated Founder Day celebration Day celebration at Christ Academy was held with great enthusiasm and participation from students, faculty, and staff. This annual event marks the founding of the school and serves as a reminder of the values, legacy, and vision established by its founder Saint Kuriakose Elias Chavara.

The event brought together the entire teaching fraternity of Christ Academy group of Institutions, namely The Kindergarten school, Christ Academy CBSE School, Christ Academy ICSE School, Christ Academy Junior College, Christ Academy Institute for Advanced Studies, and Christ Academy Institute of Law. The programme started with the prayer dance by the kindergarten teachers. The Chief Guest of the day Dr. Jose CC CMI Vice-Chancellor, Christ University reminded the principles of St. Chavara and how we need to inculcate the same in our dealings with the students. Following the address of the Chief Guest, the faculties of different institutions presented a series of cultural performances that showcased their talents and creativity. The performances included dance, music, and drama, all of which were met with applause from the enthusiastic crowd.

## **IGNISIA 2025**

A Spectacle of Unity, Competance and Celebration Christ Academy proudly hosted IGNISIA 2025, a vibrant and momentous celebration that brought together the spirit of sportsmanship, cultural heritage, and teamwork. Set amidst the lively grounds of Christ Academy, this year's annual school fest stood as a beacon to the flame of unity, the fire of competition, and the joy of celebration. A Grand Beginning The event commenced with the warm welcome of the Chief Guest,

Shri Madhusudhan Kulkarni, Head of Customer Solutions, Amazon and the Guest of Honour, Rev. Dr. Fr. Jose Nandhikkara, Provincial, Devamatha Province, Thrissur. The dignitaries were accompanied by esteemedmembers of the Christ Academy family, including Fr. Sebi Palamattathu,

Fr. Antony Davis, Fr. Lebin Davis, Rev. Fr. Joy, and Fr. Thomas Kannanaickal. Their presence added grace and inspiration to the evening. The ceremonial lighting of the torch symbolized the indomitable spirit that drives every athlete. This year's torchbearers—Sasha Laju, Sirisha, and Nissi Gloria Balaraju—illuminated the path with their extraordinaryachievements in karate and throw ball, inspiring the audience with their dedication.

The March Past and Parade of Contingents One of the most captivating moments was the majestic March Past, where contingents from various school houses—Shamrocks [Green], Bluebells [Blue], Tulips [Red], Aster [Purple], Iris [Orange], and Daffodils [Yellow]—marched in perfect harmony. The Guard of Honour, inspected by the Chief Guest and Fr. Thomas Kannanaickal, showcased the precision and poise instilled in Christ Academy's students. After the march past, the audience was enthralled by the grand Procession. Leading this majestic line-up of procession was St. Chavara,

the shining beacon of wisdom and service. St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara,

the visionary who founded the CMI congregation. The vibrant parade featured the equestrian display, Royal Enfield motorbikes, and cultural representations of Indian states, namely Karnataka, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Goa, Manipur, Jammu and Kashmir, West Bengal and Telangana. Each contingent, bursting with creativity and energy, brought the richheritage of India to life.

## A Cultural Extravaganza

IGNISIA 2025 also featured mesmerizing performances that celebrated art, culture, and pressing social themes. The tableau presentations brought history to life, depicting moments such as the Kargil War, the Jallianwala Bagh massacre, and the Mysore Dasara. Themed dances highlighted the major issues faced by our beloved state Karnataka, like deforestation, the Kaveri River, and the challenges faced by farmers, weaving stories of resilience and awareness through rhythmic movements. From the electrifying beats of the Lezim Dance to the colourful vibrancy of Punjab's folk traditions, every performance resonated with energy, pride, and creativity. The younger participants stole hearts with their fun games and displays, while the final dance, " The Life of a Soldier, & quot; paid a moving tribute to India's armed forces. Sports and Achievements True to its theme, IGNISIA 2025 celebrated the joy of participation and the thrill of competition. The track events and relays saw students pushing their limits, cheered on by an enthusiastic crowd. The fun games, including tug-of-war and balancing activities, brought a touch of camaraderie and excitement. A Remarkable Closing As the sun set on IGNISIA 2025, the closing ceremony reflected on the day's triumphs and memories. IGNISIA 2025 wasn't just a fest; it was a celebration of unity, talent, and the human spirit. The echoing cheers, synchronized steps, and cultural symphony will forever remain etched in the hearts of all who witnessed this spectacular event. With the values of St. Chavara guiding the institution, Christ Academy continues to shine as a torchbearer of holistic education.