

TEACHER'S ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

“Great teachers believe that each student has something special that can be built upon.”

The orientation for the teachers began invoking the Almighty's grace at the Canisium auditorium that was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Sebi CMI, Manager of Christ Academy, followed by a warm welcome from the Principal, Rev. Fr. Thomas CMI. It was organized from 20 th May to 28 th May 2024.

The Christ Academy family was indeed honoured by the presence of the Provincial, Rev. Fr. Dr. Jose Nandhikkara CMI, who enlightened the teachers with his profound wisdom.

Rev. Fr. Teny CMI, Principal, Chavara English School, Nandurbar, Mumbai, is an extraordinary trainer for teachers at various schools and is an exquisite orator. He ignited the teachers with his expertise on 'Teaching Styles' to create a spark in students towards the love of learning.

Rev. Fr. Jijo Theethai, CMI, Former Vice Principal of Christ Academy, Rev. Fr. Joy Alappat CMI, Principal, Christ Vidyaniketan, Kerala, Sr. Bernadette, Mother General, Congregation of Our Lady of Fidelity, UK, and Sr. Catherine, Former General of the same congregation were a few of the distinguished guests who rendered their valuable insights on the roles and responsibilities of teachers.

The input sessions by Dr. Sebastian P.G., the coordinator of ICSE, on 'Active Learning' and by Dr. Nilanjana Basu, the coordinator of CBSE on 'Making an effective question paper', enhanced and empowered the teachers with effective teaching skills for a fruitful learning experience for the students.

The week-long session was an enriching experience with an extravaganza of competitions for teachers such as music, concept-based skit, dance, a cultural presentation - Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat and cookery. The performances were spellbound and captivating. Teachers were given a platform to showcase their talents and encouraged them to build team-spirit amongst themselves. This also enabled teachers to be lively and engaging as they need to portray this vibrancy in their classrooms as well.

ENVIRONMENT DAY

World Environment Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Christ Academy ICSE School, on June 14th, 2024. The event focussed on the theme 'Ecosystem Restoration', emphasizing the importance of reviving and protecting our natural habitats.

Dr. Shanthi Thummala, the guest of honour for the day, has been an esteemed environmentalist and advocate for sustainable living, who addressed the students from Grades 1 to 9, inspiring them to take active roles in protecting the environment.

Activities and Programmes: The celebration included a series of engaging activities and programs designed to educate and motivate students about environmental conservation:

- The day began with introduction of environment day, followed by lighting of the lamp and presentation of the theme of the year.

- The theme presentation was followed by grade-wise presentation on the significance of the day.
- An inspiring speech was delivered by Dr. Shanthi Thummala highlighting the importance of ecosystems and the role of young people in restoration efforts.
- She shared personal anecdotes and experiences from her environmental work, making her message relatable and engaging for the young audience.
- Dr. Shanthi Thummala emphasized simple actions that students can take, such as reducing waste, planting trees, and conserving water.
- Various competitions were conducted for different grades.

TREE PLANTING CEREMONY:

- A symbolic tree planting ceremony took place in the school garden, where Dr. Shanthi Thummala planted a sapling.
- This activity aimed at instilling among the students a sense of responsibility and establishing a connection with nature.

The Environment Day celebration at Christ Academy ICSE school was a resounding success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of students and the inspiring presence of Dr. Shanthi Thummala. Her address left a lasting impression on the young minds, motivating them to take concrete steps towards protecting the environment. The various activities and programs conducted throughout the day effectively educated and engaged the students, reinforcing the importance of ecosystem restoration and sustainable living.

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

International Yoga Day is observed every year on 21st June to create awareness about the ancient practice and to celebrate the physical and spiritual prowess that yoga has brought to the world. It is a practice which plays an important role in relaxing the mind and body and boosting the immune system.

On 21st June 2024, the students and teachers of CHRIST ACADEMY SCHOOL, Bengaluru, celebrated International Yoga Day with great vigour and enthusiasm, with the theme, "YOGA FOR SELF AND SOCIETY". The programme was graced by the Principal Fr. Thomas, Fr. Sebi, Manager Christ Academy institution.

The event began with a brief introduction on the significance of International Yoga Day by MC Mr. Finny and welcoming the guests with a "Rhythmic" yoga performance by Miss. Shruthakeerthi, a student of grade 5. Students from grades 3 TO 9 performed few yoga postures, simultaneously with an explanation about the importance of those asanas under the able guidance of Mr. Ashok & Ms Neelama (Yoga instructor). A few advance and complicated asanas were also displayed by the school yoga team. At the end of the

programme, the principal Reverend Father Thomas appreciated all the teachers and students of Christ academy and explained the importance of yoga in a student's life. He further encouraged the students to practice yoga, daily at home, for a sound mind and body. The entire programme was conducted by the teachers of the Sports Department.

CISCE REGIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 2024

Christ Academy ICSE school hosted 2024 CISCE regional basketball tournament for girls on behalf of the ICSE council. A total of 86 schools participated for this three-day event held on 24 th June to 26 th June 2024.

The categories were under 14 with 50 teams, under 17 with 64 teams and under 19 with 22 teams. On the whole, 136 teams participated with great zeal and enthusiasm. It was a privilege to host the basketball tournament for two years in a row.

Our sincere thanks to all the athletes and coaches for participating and making this event a grand success. Our heartfelt thanks to the referees for the smooth functioning of the tournament matches.

The closing ceremony was graced by Rev.Fr.Thomas K CMI, Principal, Christ Academy ICSE school on 26 th June. The winners were given the winning trophy by our beloved Principal. The coaches were appreciated for their support towards this tournament.

We would like to thank the ICSE council for giving us the opportunity to host the CISCE regional Basketball tournament for Girls and we would also like to pay our heartfelt gratitude to Dr.Mrs.B Gayethri Devi, Principal of Little Flower Public School for her constant support and guidance.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The momentous day of Investiture Ceremony was held on 28 th June, 2024 to bestow responsibilities on the deserving young talents of the school to lead their school from the front with their commitment, confidence and competence. To inculcate the leadership qualities in students and to give them a feel of being an important and integral part of the administrative body, 'Student Council' is formed every year.

The event began with the march by the School Band welcoming the Chief Guest Shri. Darshan Alagur- Sub Inspector of Police, Electronic city police station to the stage along with the School Manager- Rev Fr. Sebi Palamattath, the Principal-Rev. Fr. Thomas Kannanaickal and the

Academic coordinators of ICSE & CBSE. Academic Coordinator, ICSE, Dr. Sebastian P.G. welcomed the dignitaries on the stage.

The ceremony started with evoking the blessings of God through a prayer by the School Choir team. Rev. Principal administered the oath to the Head Boy, the Head Girl and School Captains and in turn, the Head Boy, the Head Girl and the Captains did the same to the other members of the prefectorial body. All the dignitaries pinned the badges and sashes and handed over the flags and certificates to the members of the prefectorial body.

The Chief Guest motivated them to do what they say and say what they do. He also appreciated the contribution of school's convention of delegating responsibility to the newly elected office bearers to pass on the rich legacy of values to the students.

PRIZE DAY

The prize day for the felicitation of Grade X and XII rank-holders and toppers was held on Saturday, 29th June 2024 with much pomp and fervour. Pride and gratitude were writ large on the faces of the prize-winners and their parents, while the hearts of the teachers swelled up at the sight of their meritorious students. The programme was presided over by the Chief Guest, Dr Manish Kothari, Chairman of the ISBR group, in the esteemed presence of the Manager, Fr Sebi Pallamatath CMI, Administrator and Principal, Christ Academy School, Fr Thomas Kannanaickal CMI and Principal, Christ Academy Junior College, Fr Lebin Davis CMI.