



St. Thomas Higher Primary School, Byndoor

Annual Report 2024-25

United we stand, as one we pray,

Cor onum, in love we will find our way.

With heart united, we will shine so bright,

Guided by love, in the light of delight.

A very good evening one and all present here,

President of the program His Excellency Most.Rev.Dr.Gee Varghese Mar Makarios.Todays Program Inaugurator Shri.Gururaj Gantihole,MLA,Byndoor.Guest of Honour Dr. Kavitha Umashanker Mishra. Guest Shri.Nagesh Naik,BEO,Byndoor, Pricipal Rev.Fr.Adv.Rooble Ayiravely, Vice Principal Mrs.Shilpa Shetty, all the other dignitaries on and off the dais, beloved parents, teaching and non-teaching staffs, students and well-wishers.

Its with immense pleasure and heartfelt gratitude to God Almighty that we present the 24th annual report of St.Thomas Residential School,run by Maria social service society of Puttur Diocese under the graceful patronage of His Excellency Most.Rev.Dr.GeeVarghese Mar Makarios.

History

Saint Thomas School was established on June 6, 2001, under the benevolent patronage of His Excellency, Most Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Divannasios. The school's founding was made possible through the vision and leadership of its first manager, Rev. Fr. Philip Nellivila.

In honor of the apostle of India, the school was named after Saint Thomas, who is revered for his unwavering faith and missionary zeal. With a humble beginning of just 40 students and 2 staff members, Saint Thomas School embarked on its academic journey, driven by a passion for excellence and a commitment to nurturing young minds.

At present, Saint Thomas Residential School stands as a testament to excellence, boasting a robust infrastructure, academic distinction, discipline, hygiene, and a strong focus on cognitive development, all while instilling a sense of social responsibility in its students. Our motto, "For God and the World," remains at the heart of our mission.

Now our school is blessed with the leadership of our Manager and Principal, Rev.Fr. Advocate Rooble Ayiravely, Mrs.Shilpa Shetty as Vice Principal,Mrs.Sneha Pradeep as section head of High School, Mrs.Revathi Gajanana as section head of Upper primary, Mrs.Shaila as section head of lower primary and staff secretary, Mrs.Mariamamma Bose as section head of Kindergarten.

Currently, our school is proud to have a team of 33 dedicated teaching staff and 32 non-teaching staff, who work tirelessly to support the educational journey of our students.

Facilities

Our institution takes pride in offering a comprehensive and supportive learning environment, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and a team of dedicated educators.

To facilitate a technology-driven learning experience, we have established a well-equipped computer lab with high-speed internet facilities, enabling students to access a vast array of educational resources and stay connected with the digital world.

Our classrooms are transformed into interactive learning spaces through our smart class system, which integrates multimedia content and other innovative tools to create an immersive and engaging learning experience.

Our library is a treasure trove of knowledge, housing an extensive collection of books, journals, and digital resources that cater to diverse interests and academic needs. The library provides a quiet and conducive environment for students to study, research, and explore new ideas.

In addition to these facilities, our science laboratory is equipped with modern equipment and technology, allowing students to conduct experiments, investigations, and projects that foster hands-on learning, critical thinking, and scientific inquiry.

The mid-day meal scheme has been successfully implemented in our school, providing nutritious meals to our students.

Our campus is a serene and picturesque haven, carefully designed to harmonize with nature. The sprawling grounds provide ample space for outdoor games such as basket ball, hand ball, throw ball, valley ball, football, cricket, shuttle etc. We also offer indoor game facilities like chess, caroms, ludo, table tennis etc.

Key reforms and innovations

Under the dynamic leadership of principle Rev. Fr, Adv. Rooble Ayiravely, our institution has undergone a transformative journey, revolutionizing the educational landscape.

Our school has instilled a culture of discipline, ensuring a conducive learning environment that fosters responsibility and respect among students.

Our school emphasizes on cleanliness and hygiene has led to a significant upgrade in the kitchen and mess hall facilities, providing students with a clean and healthy environment to dine in.

The introduction of bio vegetables food has not only promoted healthy eating habits but also encouraged sustainable living practices.

Our school takes pride in its fleet of well-maintained buses and vans, ensuring safe transportation for students in all directions. Our vehicles are equipped with GPS tracking systems enabling real time monitoring and ensuring timely arrivals

Extracurricular activities

"At our institution, we offer a diverse range of extracurricular activities designed to foster the physical, mental, and emotional well-being of our students. Our comprehensive training programs include:

- **Karate:** a martial art that promotes discipline, focus, and self-defense skills.
- **Western Dance:** a creative outlet that encourages self-expression, rhythm, and coordination.
- **Chess:** a strategic board game that enhances critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical Skills.
- **Yoga:** a holistic practice that cultivates flexibility, balance, and mental clarity.
- **Skating:** a fun and engaging activity that promotes physical fitness, balance, and coordination.
- **Robotic Lab:** a cutting-edge facility that enables students to explore the exciting world of robotics, coding, and artificial intelligence.
- **Drawing:** Our school recognizes the importance of art and creativity. To foster this artistic skills, we provide advanced drawing classes

By offering these diverse range of activities and facilities, we aim to provide our students with a well-rounded education that extends beyond the classroom, fostering their physical, emotional, and cognitive growth."

Continuous comprehensive evaluation

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has implemented the Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) system to assess student progress and enrich their learning experience. In line with this, our school conducts regular class tests, unit tests, formative assessments, and summative assessments to monitor student performance.

To further enhance student learning, we also organize subject enrichment activities that encourage students to explore and expand their knowledge. These initiatives have yielded impressive results, as evident from our students' performance in the CBSE board examinations for the academic year 2023-2024.

In this examination, our students achieved 100% outstanding results.

We are proud of our students' accomplishments and attribute their success to our commitment to providing a supportive and stimulating learning environment.

co-curricular activities

At St. Thomas Residencial School, we believe that co-curricular activities play a vital role in shaping our students' personalities and skills. It's not just about winning or losing, but about the valuable lessons learned through participation, teamwork, and healthy competition.

To foster this spirit, we organize a range of inter-school, inter-house, and inter-class competitions. Our students are divided into four houses - Blue, Green, Red, and Purple - each with its unique identity and spirit.

Throughout the year, we have conducted various inter-house competitions that bring out the best in our students. These events include:

- Street play, poster making, group song competitions that showcase creativity and talent
- Handball and basketball tournaments that promote physical fitness and sportsmanship
- Interhouse chess competitions that encourage critical thinking.

Besides the interhouse competition, we have also conducted individual competitions like Single dance, Fancy Dress, Vegetable carving, story telling, Speech, best out of waste etc.

These activities not only help our students develop their skills and talents but also teach them valuable life lessons about perseverance, teamwork, and graciousness in victory and defeat.

Teachers training program

The school has organized training program for its teachers on 25th May 2024 in accordance with the CBSE guidelines. The program was led by Mr.Bhujanga Shetty and Mrs.Radha Prabhu.

The school also organized five days Communicative English training program to improve communicative skills of teachers. The training program was led by Rev. Fr. Syriac Panjikaran, Mrs. Josmi, Mrs. Sunitha and

Ms. Ancy. The resource persons shared their expertise and provided practical tips and strategies for teachers to implement in their classrooms.

School Blessing Ceremony

St. Thomas school community gathered on 1st June 2024 for a blessings ceremony to seek divine guidance and protection for the new academic year. The ceremony was blessed by Rev.Fr.Adv.Rooble Ayiravelly and Fr. David Manakkunnel.

Seminar on POCSO

The school organized a seminar on the protection of children from sexual offenses (POCSO) act 2012 for its teachers on 1st June 2024.We are grateful to Rev.Fr.Adv.Rooble Ayiravelly for sharing his expertise and insights with us.

School opening

The new academic year commenced on June 3rd, with the school opening day ceremony. The event marked the beginning of a new chapter in the academic journey of our students.

Parent-Teacher Interaction

School organized Parent-Teacher interaction on 15th June 2024 to solicit feedback and suggestions from parents. The interaction aimed to foster collaborative relationship between parents and teachers and to gather valuable insights for improving student learning outcomes. After formative assessment and summative assessment parents were subjected to be presented in the school to check exam papers and to clarify the performance of students.

First Day of our BENJAMIN'S

A cheerful welcome helps kindergarten for a positive start to their school journey. The event aimed to make the little ones feel comfortable and excited about their new academic journey. The event featured a range of fun activities.

World Environment Day

School celebrated World Environment Day on June 5th with great enthusiasm. Students participated in various activities such as tree plantation and essay writing competitions , highlighting the theme of environmental conservation. The school principal emphasized the Evolving Relationship between Humans and Nature.

Fire and Safety

The school conducted fire and safety awareness for teachers and non-teaching staffs on 15th June 2024.Through a well-organized fire and safety simulation, the event emphasized the essentials of emergency

response during a fire outbreak. Fire brigadiers demonstrated fire extinguisher usage, rescue mission approach in an immediate situation without being panic.

School Cabinet Election

School conducted its annual school cabinet election on 18th June 2024 to elect student representatives for the academic year 2024-2025. Master Amitav elected as head boy and Kumari Vandana elected as head girl. The election aimed to promote student leadership, democracy and responsibility.

Awareness Program

School conducted an awareness program for adolescents on 18th June 2024 to educate them on the importance of personal hygiene and mental health. The session was taken by Dr. Prameela Naik, Gynecologist and Dr. Nandini.

Workshop for Teachers(CPR)

On 18th June the school organized CPR workshop for the teachers to equip them with the skills and knowledge necessary to respond to cardiac emergencies. The workshop was led by the CPR trainer Dr. Prameela Naik.

Yoga Day

The school celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June, 2024 with great enthusiasm. The event aimed to promote the importance of yoga in maintaining physical, mental and emotional well-being. The Principal Rev. Fr. Adv. Rooble Ayiravely highlighted the importance of Yoga. Students and staffs participated in various yoga sessions, including meditation, Pranayama and Asanas.

Investiture Ceremony

The school held its annual Investiture ceremony on 2nd July 2024 to formally induct the newly elected School cabinet members into their roles. The newly elected members took an oath to discharge their duties with honesty, integrity, and dedication. The oath was administered by the principal.

The members were formally badged and sashed by the Chief guest Mr. Veerendra V Shambag, Principal, The New English PU college, Bhatkal.

St. Thomas Day

The school celebrated with St. Thomas day on 3rd July with great devotion. The celebration aimed to commemorate the life and legacy of St. Thomas, the Patron Saint of the Institution. The occasion was blessed by Very Rev. Fr. Joseph Valiya Parambil, Vicar General Diocese of Belthangadi.

CCA Inauguration

The school organized an official inauguration of co-curricular activities on 2nd July. CCA competitions provide students with a platform to showcase their talents and skills in various co-curricular activities. We congratulate the winners and thank all the teachers, staff and parents who supported the events.

Rainy Day

Our blooming buds Benjamin's of St. Thomas celebrated rainy day on 10th July. KG students performed different agricultural activities and its importance using pictures and costumes.

Independence Day

School celebrated India's 78th Independence Day with great patriotism and enthusiasm. The celebration aimed to commemorate the countries freedom struggle and promote national pride among students.

The chief guest of the event, the honorable Byndoor MLA Mr.Gururaj Gantihole hosted the National Flag and Paid homage to the national leaders. The program also featured cultural performance by the students.

Teachers' Day Celebration

5th September is celebrated as Teachers' Day as a mark of tribute to the contribution made by teachers to the society. This day was dedicated to the teachers with the sense of respect, appreciation, encouragement and support for their dedication to their students. Students of 9th and 10th standard organized this program for the teachers with full of enthusiasm. Students entertained teachers by showing their talent.

Helpers Day

St. Thomas Kinder Garten children organized Helpers' Day on 6th September 2024, to appreciate and recognize the contributions of individuals in various service professionals.

Hindi divas

Hindi language club organized the program, Hindi Divas on 14th September 2024, to promote the importance of Hindi language and literature. Different literary competitions were conducted for students and winners received prizes.

Onam

School celebrated Onam, the traditional harvest festival of Kerala on 14th September 2024. The Pookalam was a collaborative activity of all the staff members of the school. The teachers performed various cultural programs such as Thiruvathira, Onappattu etc. One of the highlights of the Onam celebration was the grant Onam Sadhya.

Ghandhi Jayanthi and Lal Bahadur Shastri jayanthi

School celebrated the birth anniversary of Gandhiji and Lal Bahadur Shastri on 2nd October 2024. We organized cleaning program at Byndoor town incorporated with Pattana Panchayat. Students of 6th to 9th actively participated in the cleaning program. We are proud to announce that the blue house team comprising students and teachers, secured the best group award given by the Byndoor Patana panchayat. This program helped to bring awareness about cleanliness, sanitation and community service among the students and people of our locality.

Kannada Rajyotsava

The day is celebrated to commemorate the birthday of Karnataka as the state was formed on 1st November. The Rajyotsava day was celebrated with great joy and vigor in our school. Students performed various folk dance forms of Karnataka on this occasion.

Childrens' Day

Children are the future of the nation, we celebrated Childrens' day on 14th November, 2024, with great festive fervor, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. The program began with a special assembly conducted by the teachers. Students were elated to see their teachers performing and celebrating the day with zeal and enthusiasm. Various games were organized for the children of all classes.

Students greatly enjoyed playing and winning the games. It was a day full of joy and laughter for the students.

Study tour

In the month of November as a part of curriculum, we had our school trips for all the classes, high school students visited Udupi King of Kings resort. Higher primary school students visited planetarium, museums, botanical garden and water park, Mangalore, Lower primary students visited Eco Beach, Honnavar and KG section students visited Murudeswar.

Class 9th students visited Wayanad and Calicut region in Kerala.

The study tour was a valuable and enriching experience for our students. We achieved our objectives and provided students with a unique learning experience.

Constitutional day

As per the order from the government authorities, we celebrated 26th November 2024 as Constitutional day. Preamble oath was taken by all the students and teachers. Mr. Sunil, Social Science Teacher held a seminar on Indian constitution, democracy, value of freedom and constitutional remedies.

Career Guidance

The school organized a career guidance program for 10th grade students on 10th December 2024. The program aimed to provide students with insights into various career options, help them make informed decisions about their future, and equip them with the necessary skills to succeed in their chosen careers. The session was taken by the renowned career guidance resource person Mr. Srinivas Naik and we are grateful for his expertise and insights.

Prize Distribution Ceremony

“The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling,

but in rising every time we fall” (Nelson Mandela)

On 12th December 2024 we organized the annual prize distribution day. The event aimed to encourage students to strive for excellence and to appreciate their hard work and dedication. We distributed prizes and certificates for the winners of various co-curricular activities and games. The prestigious prize distribution ceremony was graced by the esteemed presence of Rev. Fr. Francis Odempally who kindly distributed the prizes to the deserving winners. The function was presided over by Rev. Fr. Adv. Rooble Ayiravelly who blessed the occasion with his presence and inspired the students with his words of wisdom.

Inter school chess competition

Our students participated in the Inter-school chess competition held at Vidhyodaya Public School conducted by AICS and secured 3rd place in the junior section.

Seminar on PSLV C-59 PROBA -3

The Science seminar on PSLV C-59, Proba -3 was conducted on 14th December 2024. The Seminar aimed to educate 9th and 10th grade students about the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C59 mission and its payload, Proba 3.

Mr. Jithin led the seminar, providing in-depth information about the PSLV C59 mission. The seminar included interactive session, videos, and presentations to engage students.

Conclusion

Numerous milestones remain to be achieved. At St. Thomas Residential School, we persist in our unwavering efforts to shape young minds into well-rounded individuals, imbuing them with the confidence and enthusiasm necessary to uphold the high standards of this esteemed institution.

This report is a sincere endeavor to highlight our progress, encompassing achievements and activities undertaken throughout the year.

On this memorable occasion, we humbly salute our visionary leaders of the past and the great ones of the present, committed staffs, and supportive parents, seek divine grace and blessings to guide us in all our endeavors.

We would like to conclude by quoting our school's moto **FOR GOD AND THE WORLD.**