MAR GREGORIOS MEMORIAL SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL, KARUVATTA

Presented by the Principal on the Annual Day Celebration on 21-12-2024

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INTRODUCTION

Today we are celebrating the 42nd Annual Day of Mar Gregorious Memorial Central School, Karuvatta. It is with immense pride and joy that I present to you the annual report for the academic year 2024-2025. This report is a reflection of the dedication, commitment, and accomplishments of our school community.

The academic year commenced on June 5, 2024, with great enthusiasm and anticipation. On this day, we celebrated the reopening ceremony, marking the beginning of another journey of learning and growth. Mrs Bindu P Susan our former principal had the privilege of addressing our vibrant community with a welcome speech that set the tone for the year ahead. The occasion was further graced by the presence of our respected School Manager, Rev. Father T.S. Nainan, and members of the Managing commitee, who extended their blessings and shared their inspiring vision for the school.

This year there are 33 members on the staff and 350 students on the Roll. Every day school begins with a staff Prayer, prayer by students and the National Pledge. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday's Morning Assembly is conducted at 9.15 A.M. Monday's Assembly is conducted by selected council members of the school. Classwise assembly is conducted on Wednesdays. Mass Drill is being displayed on Wednesdays. Housewise assembly is conducted on Fridays by hoisting the house flag by house mother and captain of the respective houses. Birthdays of children are also celebrated in the Assembly. The daily school session will end by 3.20 pm by a closing prayer followed by National Anthem. The School Assembly is a platform for students to exhibit their different innate talents.

Conveyance: Two school buses are plying in and around Karuvatta for the better conveyance of the students. Private vehicles are also arranged by the parents for this purpose.

A. CAMPUS PROGRAMMES DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024

1. *Environment Day*

The academic year began on a significant and meaningful note as we celebrated World Environment Day on the very day of our school reopening, June 5. The event was graced by the honorable Karuvatta Grama Panchayat President, Sri S. Suresh, who inaugurated the celebration with a thoughtful and inspiring message on environmental stewardship.

We were privileged to have Rev. Father T.S. Ninan as the Guest of Honour, who shared his insightful words, emphasizing the importance of nurturing both young minds and the environment.

The event also witnessed the gracious presence and valuable addresses by esteemed dignitaries from Pachayat and management committee members.

Their collective words of wisdom inspired everyone present to take actionable steps towards sustainability and environmental conservation

2. *Anti-Rabies Day Observed*

One of the noteworthy events of the academic year was Anti-Rabies Day, observed on June 14. This event aimed to create awareness about the prevention of rabies. We were fortunate to have representatives from the Medical Department join us for the occasion.

Additionally, the authorities led a pledge against rabies, which our students recited with enthusiasm, reinforcing their commitment to staying informed and spreading awareness in the community.

3. *World Reading Day*

Another remarkable event of the year was the Observation of World Reading Day on June 19.

The session was inaugurated by our esteemed School Manager, Rev Father T.S. Nainan, whose inspiring words encouraged everyone to embrace reading as a pathway to enlightenment and wisdom.

We were privileged to have the valuable presence of our Former Principal, Mrs. Bindu P. Susan, who shared her experiences and emphasized the transformative power of books.

Our Assistant Manager, Mrs. Sudha Mathew and our Treasurer, Mr. T.V. Varghese, contributed insightful thoughts, urging students to explore the diverse world of literature and make reading a part of their daily routine.

4. International Yoga Day*

The academic year also witnessed the celebration of International Yoga Day on June 21st. We were honored to have a distinguished panel of dignitaries on the dais, including our School Manager, Rev. Father T.S. Nainan; Senior Principal, V.K. Cherian Sir; myself, Assistant Manager, Mrs. Sudha Mathew; and our Treasurer, Mr. T.V. Varghese.

The esteemed dignitaries shared their insights on the theme of International Yoga Day ie *yoga for self and society* .The event also included a live yoga demonstration led by our dedicated Yoga Instructor, Mrs. Elsy Varghese, who was accompanied by her husband, Mr. Varghese.

5. *Teachers Training*

One of the most significant initiatives this year was the subject teachers training programmes organized for our teachers in collaboration with the Centre of Excellence, Thiruvananthapuram. On Saturday, June 22, teachers from our school attended training sessions held at various locations. These sessions were instrumental in equipping our teachers with the knowledge of the latest changes introduced by CBSE in the curriculum, especially for classes IX and X.

6. *Primary teachers training*

Our primary teachers had the privilege of attending the training programme arranged for them at Bethany Central School. The primary teachers also attended training class conducted by Password Publication at Alappuzha and our KG Teacher Mrs. Beatrice D,Cruz, honoured for being the most experienced KG teacher of the gathering.

7. Students Council Elections*:

Upholding democratic values, our school conducted its first annual elections on 24th June and its campaigning was done by the students on 21st of the same month with active participation . The election was held for the post of arts secretary and deputy school leaders.

8. Constitution day quiz*

Among the many enriching programs we organized, I would like to particularly mention the Constitution Quiz on july 8, a remarkable event that reflected our commitment to holistic and value-based education.

The quiz was thoughtfully conducted by our dedicated Social Science teacher, Ambily Miss. The participants were class 8 students. The questions, meticulously curated, covered various aspects of the Constitution.

The event proceeded seamlessly under the gracious presence of our Senior Principal, V.K. Cherian Sir, whose encouragement and insightful words added to the enthusiasm of the participants.

9. *Investiture ceremony*

One of the key highlights of the year was the Investiture Ceremony on July 11, a prestigious event where the torchbearers of our student body assumed their leadership roles. Our Head Boy, Head Girl, and student captains of various houses took their oaths and accepted their responsibilities.

We were honored to have Rev. Father T.S. Nainan, our esteemed School Manager, preside over the ceremony. The Sub Inspector of Police, Ms. Shaija E.S., graced the event as our Chief Guest, inspiring the young leaders with her thought-provoking address.

10. World badminton day*

It gives me immense pleasure to present the highlights of an exciting event held at MGM Central School – the celebration of World Badminton Day on July 11, under the guidance of our PT Instructor Mr. Nandagopan.

The celebration was formally inaugurated by our esteemed Senior Principal. Principal, Assistant Manager Mrs. Sudha Mathew, and Treasurer Mr. T.V. Varghese, all of whom actively supported the initiative.

11. *PTA General body Meeting*

Among the many significant events of this year, one of the most noteworthy was the General Body Meeting, a pivotal milestone for our institution.

The meeting was graced by the esteemed presence of the school manager Rev Fr.TS Ninan Senior Principal, V. K. Cherian Sir, Principal, Assistant Manager, Mrs. Sudha Mathew, Treasurer, Mr. T. V. Varghese, whose unwavering support strengthens our school's foundation.

12. *Post office activity*

One of the remarkable activities was the Post Office Activity organized on 24th July for the students of class 10, based on their first chapter, "A Letter to God".

The students exhibited immense enthusiasm as they prepared a post box, designed various letters, and enacted roles to simulate a vibrant post office atmosphere. This activity was conducted under the guidance of our esteemed senior principal, VK Cherian Sir, and was skillfully coordinated by the subject teachers, Reshma Miss and Jitha Miss.

13.*Sarganjali*

One of the most remarkable and vibrant events of this year was our Arts Fest, "Sarganjali," held on the 5th of August, 2024.

We were honored to have Rev. Father T.S. Nainan, our esteemed Manager, as the Guest of Honour for the occasion.

We were also graced by the presence of other dignitaries, including our Assistant Manager, Mrs. Sudha Mathew, and our Treasurer, Mr. T.V. Varghese, whose unwavering support has been a cornerstone of our success.

14. *Olympics Assembly*

Among the many memorable events of the year, I would like to shine a spotlight on one that resonated deeply with the spirit of sportsmanship and excellence – the Olympics Assembly. The starting assembly was held on July 27 th and concluded with the victory assembly on Aug 12th.

The assembly commenced with the representatives of our four houses—Coral, Emerald, Sapphire and Topaz —taking the stage to explain the background of different Olympic winners.

Adding to the vibrancy of the event, students created placards showcasing the names and images of these Olympic heroes.

15.*Quit India Day*

At MGM, we strive to impart not just academic excellence but also instill a sense of patriotism. In keeping with this spirit, we celebrated Quit India Day on August 8. The day commemorated the sacrifices of our freedom fighters. Through speeches, cultural programs, and a tribute ceremony, our students remembered and honored the heroes of the Quit India Movement.

16.*Space week*

I would like to bring to your attention to one of the most innovative and inspiring activities we organized this year on August 14— the celebration of Space Week.

Students actively participated in the rocket-making workshop, where they learned about the principles of aerodynamics and propulsion. Also space-themed competitions were held on the same day.

17.*Independence Day*

An event that truly embodied the spirit of patriotism and unity among ourstudents and staff is the Republic day on 15 August.

The celebrations began with a solemn and inspiring flag-hoisting ceremony by Rev Father TS Nainan, Principal , Assistant manager Mrs Sudha Mathew . Various entertainment programmes were held uplifting the spirit of patriotism. The highlight of the day was the rally organized till Kadavankulangara, in which students from various classes participated with immense enthusiasm.

18.*Chingam 1st

Chingam Ist, the first day of the Malayalam calendar, holds great significance in celebrating the contributions of farmers, the backbone of our society.

This year on 17 th August, our school decided to pay a heartfelt tribute to the farming community through meaningful activities and performances.

The vibrant assembly was filled with students dressed as farmers and with a series of engaging and entertaining programmes.

19. *Teachers Day*

It gives me immense pleasure to present a brief account of the Teachers' Day celebrations on September 5, a significant and memorable event in our school's calendar this year. On this special occasion, the assembly was uniquely conducted by the teachers themselves, showcasing their multifaceted talents and creativity. This day we honoured our former senior principal M V Saramma by visiting her house and surprising her with a gift as a token of love.

20. *Fruits Day* - Nursery Students

Our School organized a delightful and enriching activity on September 9th for our nursery students – Fruits Day. On this special day, our little ones arrived in colorful attire, each bringing along a variety of fresh and vibrant fruits. The activity commenced by our dedicated teachers, explaining the nutritional benefits and importance of including fruits in daily meals.

21. *Onam Celebration*

It is with immense pride and joy that I present the report of the Onam Celebration at MGM Central School on 13 September.

The event commenced with an enthusiastic participation of our school Manager and esteemed members of the Management Committee.

One of the highlights of the celebration was the beautifully crafted Attapookalam, meticulously designed by our senior students.

The celebration was further enriched by a variety of Onam-themed programmes.

To conclude the festivities, the Management Committee extended their generosity by organizing a grand Onam Sadhya.

22.*Sports Meet*

The recently concluded Annual Sports Meet 2024, a two-day event held on the 27th and 28th of September.

The event commenced with a grand flag hoisting ceremony followed by the March Past by the four houses. We were privileged to have Mr. Joe Mathew, a Karate federation

refree and our management committee member as the Guest of Honour, who graciously accepted the Guard of Honour. The occasion was graced by the presence of our Manager, Rev. Father T.S. Nainan, Senior Principal, Assistant Manager, Mrs. Sudha Mathew.

23.*G Tech seminar on Robotics*

On 30th September, our school hosted a seminar on Robotics, conducted by GTec. The session provided valuable insights into the world of robotics and its growing importance. Following the seminar, a quiz competition was held where Avanthika J showcased her exceptional knowledge and secured a prize. She was awarded a bag by GTec as a token of recognition.

24 *Balloons day* - Nursery students

On October 25, one of the most delightful events for our nursery kids was Balloons Day, a celebration of joy and creativity. Holding vibrant balloons in their hands, they participated in a rally spreading a message of happiness and unity. This memorable activity was conducted under the guidance of dedicated KG teachers.

25 *Kerala Piravi*

On 1st November, we celebrated Kerala Piravi with great enthusiasm. Various traditional programmes showcasing Kerala's rich cultural heritage were organized. The same day, we had the privilege of hosting an Orientation Programme led by Dr. Mathew Thomas, retired Deputy Registrar of MG University. The session, titled Guiding Beyond the Classroom, offered significant guidance for educators and students. The event was graced by the presence of our Sr.Principal and Managing Committee Members,

26. *School tour*

Moving forward, on 8th November, a much-anticipated School Tour was organized. Students from Classes 7 to 10 enjoyed a one-day trip to the scenic hill station of Wagamon, while on 28 th November students from KG to Class 6 were taken to Vaikom Aqua Culture Centre, offering them an engaging and educational experience.

27. *Children's Day*

This year, we celebrated Children's Day on November 14 with great pomp and enthusiasm. Students enthusiastically dressed as Chacha Nehru. A variety of exciting activities marked the day.

A heartwarming event on Children's Day celebration, was honouring the oldest grandparents selected from LKG to class one.

What made the day even more special was that every student from LKG to Class 1 personally honored their own grandparents. The young children presented their grandparents with simple gifts and dakshina as a token of their love and gratitude.

28. *Flowers Day* - Nursery students

In the month of December, our nursery section at MGM Central School witnessed a delightful event called Flowers Day.

The nursery students, dressed in colorful attire brought the shapes of different flowers.

As part of the activity, teachers thoughtfully explained the special characteristics and significance of different flowers.

29 *Salad Fest *

On December 17, our Class 6 students showcased their creativity and teamwork by organizing a Salad Fest. This event was not only a celebration of healthy eating but also a platform for our students to explore culinary skills. The initiative was greatly encouraged and appreciated by our Senior Principal, staff, and all stakeholders. Inspired by its success, we are excited to announce that in the coming academic year, a Food Fest will be organized by the students of Classes 5, 7, and 8. This event will surely add vibrance to our campus life. We are planning Salad Fest for other senior classes in coming January 2025.

30. *Bagless day for class one*

I am delighted to announce a new initiative introduced this year for our youngest learners in Class 1 – Bagless Day.

On this day, students will leave their school bags at home and engage in hands-on learning activities, storytelling, art, music, games, and other interactive sessions.

31. *Oru Pidi Nanma*

We began this year's journey by instilling a sense of compassion and generosity among our students through the noble initiative, Oru Pidi Nanma. Under this programme, students from all classes brought a grocery item of their choice, a small but significant contribution from their side. These collected items were then distributed to deserving households in need.

Our school is an active member of the Manorama Nallapadom and Mathrubhumi Seed.

B. *Club Activities*

Different clubs are functioning in the school. Regular club meetings are conducted. Children put forward manifold ideas and the projects are done by them on the themes provided.

C. NEW INTIATIVES FOR ACHIEVING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

With the glitering leadership of our Senior Principal Mr.V.K.Cherian, M.G.M introduced new initiatives for thriving towards academic excellence.

1. *CTP*

One of the most significant initiatives undertaken this year was the introduction of the Chapterwise Test Paper (CTP) system by the senior principal V.K.Cherian sir for all classes. This structured assessment program aims to ensure better comprehension, retention, and application of concepts by students, by improving their self learning ability.

2. *Lesson plan*

Another transformative step this year was the introduction of a new lesson plan structure, designed under the visionary guidance of our Senior Principal, Mr. V.K. Cherian.

This meticulously crafted framework provides teachers with a systematic approach to planning their lessons, ensuring smooth movement of class room teaching.

3.. *Campus support programme*

To further uplift and support our students, we have arranged a Campus Support Programme that provides targeted academic assistance and motivation. To make learning interesting activities based on chapters were conducted, for example mask preparation based on English lessons.

5. *Reading and Writing Support*

Programme additionally, starting January, we have designed a unique Reading and Writing Support Programme for students, which will be conducted on the first and third Saturdays of every month. The day will culminate with engaging cultural activities, ensuring holistic development and enrichment.

6. *Quality circle programme for language development*

To enhance students' use of English as a target language, we introduced Quality Circles. This innovative programme fosters peer learning, collaboration, and confidence, creating an engaging environment for language development.

7. *Tenth preparation for Board Exam*

Our tenth-standard students are working diligently towards upcoming board examinations. After completing the syllabus, we successfully conducted the first round of revisions, followed by exams to evaluate their preparedness. Currently, the second round of revisions is in progress, with exams scheduled from 30 th December to 4th January.

Model Exam for our Class 10 students will be conducted in the second week of January. This follows the completion of the second round of revisions, ensuring our students are thoroughly equipped to face their board exams with confidence.

COMPETITIONS AND PRIZES

Awards

1.Merit Award*

At MGM, we strive for excellence not only in academics but also in co-curricular and extracurricular activities, and I am delighted to share our milestones:

First and foremost, I would like to take this opportunity to share a moment of immense pride for our institution. Two of our outstanding students from last year's Class X batch, Bijon and Avanthika J, have brought great honor to our school by achieving exceptional results in the CBSE Board Examinations. Most of our students came out with more than 90%. The above mentioned students also got the Mayookham award of Shri Ramesh Chennithala, MLA, Haripad.

In recognition of their academic excellence, they were conferred the Merit Award by none other than Shri H. Salam, Honorable MLA, Alappuzha, during a grand felicitation ceremony held at the SDV Centenary Hall, Alappuzha.

- **2**. Sugama Hindi Examination: Our student Avanthika brought glory to our school by securing the second prize in the Alappuzha district.
- **3**. PCM Examination: Sreejitha G achieved outstanding success by scoring the highest marks, setting a benchmark for excellence.
- **4**. Kairali Vijnjana Examination: This prestigious event was conducted in our school, and we are proud to announce that maximum participation was recorded from our students.
- **5**. Space-based Competition by ISRO: Our students actively participated in this unique event and were awarded certificates of recognition for their performance.
- **6**. GTec Haripad Competition: Rithu and Ashna B Menon won prizes, adding another feather to our cap.
- **7**. SIP Abacus: Several students cleared the first and second levels of the SIP Abacus examination and were duly awarded.
- **8**. Mother Teresa Writing Competition: This event was successfully conducted at our school, and we eagerly await the results to celebrate our students' achievements.
- **9**. Alappuzha District CBSE Schools Sports Meet:

Amritha Liby secured the second position in discus throw.

Sivarang J conquered the third position in the race, showcasing their athletic talents.

Throwball Competition: A team of 14 students participated and emerged as the second runner-up, with seven students selected for the district camp.

In the Sahodaya Arts Fest, many of our students showcased their artistic talents, with the majority securing A grades, a testament to their hard work and creativity. Our small kids also participated in kids fest organised by sahodaya and secured A grades for their performances.

Our students actively participated in the Kuttikalude Grama Sabha, developing their civic sense and leadership skills. Students got participation certificates and prizes.

10. *Kerala Central Sports Meet*

One of the most significant accomplishments this year has been in the area of sports. I am proud to announce that 21 of our talented students participated in the Sports Meet organized by the State Sports Council. Their hard work, dedication, and commitment have brought us immense pride as our students secured 5 Gold Medals and 4 Silver Medals.

Adding to our joy, Reshmimol of Class 8 achieved a remarkable feat by being recognized as the 3rd Best Athlete of Alappuzha District.

Furthermore, I am delighted to inform you that the final event of the Sports Meet will take place at Maharaja's College on December 30th.

The School Management

The school is managed by MGM Charitable Society. Our management is giving full support for the day to day working of the school and they take up the responsibility of the maintenance of the school building and the school premises and the other infrastructure facilities. The beautification of school is also done by the management

Conclusion

Before concluding let me thank God Almighty for giving all of us good health and a congenial atmosphere to carry out the teaching learning process in school through out the year Let me also extend my sincere thanks to School Manager Rev. Fr. T.S. Ninan, Senior Principal V K Cherian and all the other Management Committee Members for their support and guidance