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Thank you... **ಧನ್ಯವಾದಗಳು...** धन्यवाद... आभारी... **Argam Tuka**



'To love and to be loved' is the most purifying of all experiences. To say "I love You" is important and equally important is to acknowledge with these words: **"Thank you for loving me as I am"**. This is my moment to thank you all, for loving me so much and my gratitude is beyond words.....

**Words, Can take you on wings to haunts of yester years.
They can unravel the mysteries of tomorrow,
Words can uplift, enlighten, influence,
soothe and enhance our lives.
Oh! Words can weave magic in our lives.**



So I want to use words to express a big thank you to God our Father for the excellent way in which He has carried us throughout this academic year. A million thanks to my dear community Sisters, friends, students, parents, benefactors and dearest staff members for your untiring support and hard work you have put in this year which has come to an end. It has been a year of living experiences from the fountain of life and love. As a family we have grown closer to, one another and have learnt either a lesson on how to live, by an example or a lesson on how not to, as a warning, thus creating ripples of graces and blessings for one another. God bless you and the good work done.

Every human life is a living encyclopedia. Every human life is a learning opportunity. The key is to keep the student within us alive. The key is to be like

a blotting paper, ever ready to observe and absorb. The seeker within us keeps seeking, from anybody, from anything, from any situation. Every event that we encounter in life offers infinite learning possibilities and it is up to each one of us to take from it, its intrinsic wisdom.

The old adage: "To err is human To forgive is divine." The new paradigm: "To err is human, by learning from it, you design your own destiny."

Life always gives the test first and only then the lessons. Every experience simply offers us a learning opportunity. Experiences in their very nature are simply preparatory, preparing us today to taken on tomorrow. Experiences that we categorise as 'Mistakes' can be our greatest teachers in life. Some of the deepest lessons on life are learnt from our mistakes which success can never teach. Life will test us to qualify our growth. Mistakes are teachers in disguise. Big mistakes are big learning opportunities. Once, you develop an attitude to learn from your mistakes, you no more pay the price, but just enjoy the payoffs. Some lessons come cheap but some times the price is high; yet, all you can salvage from your mistakes are just the lessons you learn. Draw a line to the past, and move into the future with renewed maturity. Criticism is not necessarily negative; it can spur us on to do better and achieve new heights. It is an invitation to walk on the path of perfection. So never quit. If you stumble get up. What happened yesterday no longer matters. Hope you'll accommodate all my shortcomings and continue to support me with your Prayers.

Today is another new day. So get back on track and move on closer to your goals and believe that you can achieve it. You can always make up for your

yesterday by the way you live your tomorrow. As human beings in all the hustle and bustle of life, each one of us is seeking peace, As a solution, I have learnt that I can experience peace only, when I contribute to the peace and harmony of the world around. Our commitments should have the constancy and consistency of the sun. Life becomes

meaningful and significant when our perspective of life changes, then, our performance in life also takes on a new course. If you love life, don't waste time, for time is what life is made up of.

Wish you all the best for a relaxed, fruitful and enjoyable holiday.

Sr. Thankam (Principal)

A Tribute of Love and Gratitude to M. Hilda D'souza



M. Hilda was called to her heavenly home on 22/2/18. She breathed her last peacefully & serenely, surrounded by her community sisters praying and wishing her a blessed and happy stay in her new abode.

In today's world where the span of life is short, M. Hilda spent seventy fruitful and fulfilling years as a Canossian sister. M. Hilda was an ex-Josephite. At the Quasiquicentennial celebration held in 2016, she had the privilege of hoisting the school flag, being the oldest Josephite. It was a heart warming moment for all Josephites present to see her paying tribute to her Alma Mater.

As a Canossian sister she lived & served in various communities sowing seeds of prayer, service and concern for the poor and the harvest she has reaped has made our world a better place to live in. The last 16 years of her life were spent at St. Joseph's Convent and what one noticed about her was her prayer life. Day in day out, you saw her sitting in her chair, praying the rosary, praying for family, friends, strangers and even passersby. She prayed especially for priests as she knew their life was not easy. M. Hilda was blessed with a big heart and she had a special place for the night watchman and very often she was seen giving him something to eat as in her innocence she thought he was awake all night and needed nourishment and care. She was very protective of the sisters of her community and if anyone was not present at Recreation time, she

had a lot of questions to ask – where is she? Why has she not come? Is she not well? And so on. That was M. Hilda all heart.

For M. Hilda prayer was the bed rock of her life and woe to any sister who did not allow her to say the last decade of the Divine Mercy Rosary. If some other sister did, she would raise her voice and say the decade to show that they were usurping her right. Rain or sun, she was there on Saturday for the Eucharistic celebration along with Sr. Grace, and today Sr. Grace feels as if a part of her is missing.

As we look back on her life, all that one can say is that she lived her life with simplicity and grace – a true Canossian sister to the end. Picture her sitting at the gates of heaven with a rosary in one hand, still praying for us and a container of sweets in the other hand – wanting to bring a smile to someone's face and brighten their day.

Thank you dear M. Hilda, for touching and enriching the lives of those around you. The world is a poorer place without you in it. Rest in Peace – You have earned it

Ms. Marilyn Barretto
(Ex-Josephite)



EVENTS**EVENTS****EVENTS****HANDING OVER - 6th January 2018**

As another year 2017-18 has rolled by, the duties and responsibilities of the working cabinet have been handed over to the newly elected ministers. Our outgoing Prime minister Ms. Anannya Patil and deputy prime minister Ms. Medha Munnoli along with the House captains handed over their responsibilities to Ms. Neeharika Mishra & deputy Ms. Aenessa Vaz- the newly elected prime ministers.

**FOOTBALL TEAM - 6th Jan. 2018**

The football team secured the First place in the tournament organized by KLS society on Lingraj college ground and brought laurels to St. Joseph's Convent High School. This is the first time in the history of St. Joseph's Convent High School...**The participants were:** Urvi M | Srushti J | Rushda S | Mansi, Prerana B | Avani S | Ifra S | Sadiya K | Shrushti M | Vaishnavi P | Sejal N | Ancilla D | under the guidance of their coach and the other supportive members

**REPUBLIC DAY - 26th Jan. 2018**

On 26th of January 1950 the Indian constitution came into force and India was declared a Republic. Hence this day is celebrated as '**Republic Day**'. This day was celebrated in a very solemn manner in our school. Mrs. Nisha Patil - The incharge Principal of the P. U. College was the Chief Guest. It began with hoisting of the national flag, the march past by the school cabinet, NCC, girl Guides, Bulbuls, a prayer dance, patriotic songs and dances by our primary section as well as the college



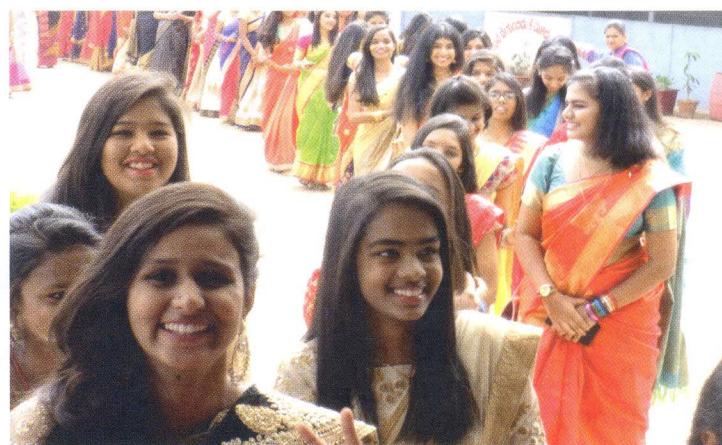
Thanksgiving Mass - 2nd February 2018

A Thanks giving mass was organized for the SSLC students with Rev.Fr. Victor D'Cruz as the main Celebrant . A day for the SSLC students to thank God for the beautiful and fulfilling 12 years within the portals of St.Joseph's Convent High School , for all the blessings and graces received during this time.



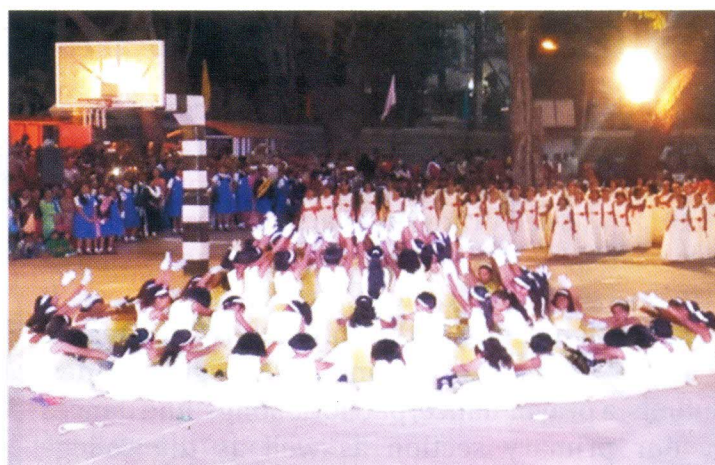
SOCIAL DAY - 6th February 2018

On 6th of February was the Traditional "SAREE DAY" organized for the SSCL students by the teachers. The theme for this year's Farewell was "CARNIVAL OF NATIONS". It is the most awaited day for the SSLC students as they all come beautifully dressed in colorful exotic sarees, play games, click photos, selfie's with the props made by our students, relish the delicious lunch and once again leave behind beautiful memories which will always be cherished!



PASSING OUT PARADE - 9th February 2018

The exciting academic year ended with the passing out parade for the SSLC students on the 9th of February 2018 .The very solemn and grand function organized by the staff and students with the guidance of our principal Sr. Thankam. Indeed a memorable occasion for our SSLC students. This function was presided over by our Manager Rev. Sr. Margaret Terron and , Lt. Colonel Robin Mathew as our honorable Chief





Guest. The march-past by the students of std. IX, the colorful band display, dances by the tiny tots of the primary, the middle school and an invocation dance by the students of std. VIII. Together with the prestigious tradition of awarding the girls of the year of std. X, declaring the best house and last but not the least leaving us all in tears as they all got sentimental bidding farewell to their friends, just made this event a very grand and meaningful celebration...

Achievements:

SATISH SUGARS (JUNIORS) -

10th February 2018

The junior team as well participated in the 4th Satish Sugars Dance competition and secured the 1st place with a cash prize of Rs. 60,000.

The participants were:

Khushi P | Shweta K | Amulya K | Anannya K |
Shrushti T | Sharsti S | Varda M | Ahanna S |
Shriya S | Ruchita M | Tanishqa W. |



SATISH SUGARS (SENIORS):

11th February 18

Our school Dance Crew participated in the 4th Satish Sugars Dance Competition on the 11th of February 2018 and bagged the Consolation Prize and a cash prize of Rs.10,000.

The participants were : Aenessa .V | Aquina. G |
Janhavi. M | Ankita. S | Prema. M | Vaishnavi. P |
Ansruta. G | Anuya. T | Sadiya. K | Tanisha. K.





BASKETBALL TEAM - 14th February 2018

Our school basketball team participated in a tournament held at JNMC stadium on the 14th of February and won the First Prize with a Trophy and individual certificates. **The participants were:**

Emil. J | Stella. C | Mercil. L | Numa. M | Samruddhi | Afifa | Raksha | Samiksha | Durva and Tanisha.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS - 15th February 2018

On 31st January M. Anna Chandy's Birthday was celebrated by the college staff, they expressed their Love & Gratitude in their own unique way. On 15th of February we celebrated the Birthday of our Manager Rev. Sr. Margaret Terron. A day that will be much remembered by her, with greetings, countless blessings, wonderful dance performances by our KG students, primary, middle school and the "wildcats" of the high school, the band display and floral tributes.



CABINET INSTALLATION - 17th February 2018

The newly elected school cabinet was installed on 17th February 2018. The cabinet promised to be loyal and to do their duty to the best of their abilities. Mrs. Aparna Pillai and Mrs. Leena D'souza were chosen as the speakers for the academic year 2018-19. Mrs. Divya Shivram, presently the CEO of the Cantonment board was the chief guest for this prestigious occasion. She advised the newly elected cabinet to work fearlessly, with great determination and be examples to others.



TEACHER'S PICNIC -**20th February 2018**

On 20th of February the staff of our school had an enjoyable picnic at "Agadi Thota" and they took part in all kinds of adventurous activities like horse riding, camel ride, bullock cart ride, rain dance and some delicious village cuisine. It was a unique experience for our teacher's.

**INAUGURATION OF "ATAL TINKERING LABORATORY"-1st March 2018**

On this day we Celebrated St. Magdalene's Birthday with prayers and hymns by the Lay Canossian Staff Members, they highlighted the Virtues of our Foundress.



The "Atal Tinkering Lab" was inaugurated at St. Joseph's Convent High school on 1st of March 2018. It was inaugurated by Honorable Chief Guest Dr. M.S. Patil, Principal of KLE Integrated PU College along with the manager Rev. Sr. Margaret Terron and Principal Rev. Sr. Thankam Michael. The programme was collaborated by the committee members of ATL, the mentors, Parent representatives, staff and students. The students were initiated and oriented by "B-Box" agency



by demonstrating the use of 3-D printer and the latest technology in projects. The Principal Rev. Sr. Thankam Michael along with the committee look forward to providing students a Lab to tinker around with innovative ideas, skills, research and a scientific attitude.

Congratulations !

**Wishing you all the best and
God's Blessings as you participated in
Empowered Canossian Student
Leadership Symposium
to be held in Singapore**

**Ms. Adithi Shinde****Ms. Aenessa Vaz**

Best class and Best Houses of this Academic Year 2017-18

The Shield for the 'BEST HOUSE' was bagged by the Red and Blue House. X-A | VII-A | IV-A | was adjudged as the best classes of the year. Tr. Jyotsna, Tr. Sandhya and Tr. Sheela were the Class Teachers and they were congratulated.



ACHIEVEMENTS:-

Ms. Shivani Chougale of std 10 participated in a Karate Championship and won the 1st place and brought glory to our school. She also participated in many other Karate competitions and won various prizes with the Black belt.

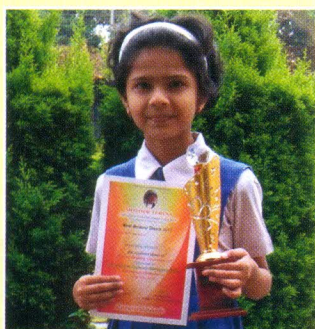


Experience of My School Life.

My journey during these 12 years in St. Joseph's was really very amazing. My school has given me roots to grow and wings to fly. I have failed, cried, learnt and grown in this school. Teachers who taught me the values, truthfulness, lessons is very inspiring. Thank you dear Teachers for your guidance and support all throughout these years. Friends without whom life is meaningless, my SSLC friends, I would like to tell you "Go ahead, and good Luck for your future!"

BHOOMIKA GEERANAVAR (X-A)

National Award Drawing Competition Consolation Prize Winner



Anushka G. Sawant

Best Student Award Winner Student (School Level)

DRAWING COMPETITION

- ◆ Joanna Godad (II-C)
- ◆ Akshara B. Manolkar (III-B)
- ◆ Bhargavi A. Chougale
- ◆ Apeksha R. Joshi (IV-C)
- ◆ Arpita D. Wadekar (VII-B)
- ◆ Deepti Navalagi (IX-B)

HANDWRITING COMPETITION

- ◆ Sharen John (I-C)
- ◆ Swarn R. (III-C)
- ◆ Shreya S. Sawant (VI-C)
- ◆ Rakshita Mali (VII-A)
- ◆ Ambuja S. (VIII-B)

Congratulations !