

Annual Report of 2016-'17

Good evening esteemed guests and gathering!

Annual Day is a time for rejoicing, reflection and resolution. The academic year 2016 -17 was a milestone enabling us to complete 6 glorious years in the ministration of education. As we traverse through the 7th year, we take pride in tracing our journey and presenting a fleeting glimpse of our past in a nutshell.

I present you this Annual Report, with an objective to provide fair and accurate information about the array of activities of Orchard Schools, which showcases the performance and the development as a contemporary center of holistic learning for life.

The multifarious activities conducted here is a testimonial to the vision and the mission of the school. The Academic year 2016-2017, thronged a plentitude of pursuits, which proved beneficial for the learning and the learned and all these activities gratify justice to be presented in our report.

Academic Achievements

The progress and achievement of Orchardians has been very pleasing in 2016-17.

It has been a glorious year with significant heights scaled in academics, co-curricular and extra- curricular areas.

The major leap in Grade 10 board exam success led to euphoria, as quality was achieved at an impressive scale. The school average was **458.6** out of 500, placing the school in the first position in the educational district. The School topper, Mas S Gajadev secured a total of 486, followed by Ms Farheen Aakila and Mas Jagadevan scoring 482 to be placed second, while Ms Sapnapriya secured 481 and was placed third.

The first batch of Grade 12 students came out with centum results with Ms Momina Anjum emerging the topper with a score of 1167, while Ms Aparna V S of secured the second position with a score of total of 1150, with centum in commerce.

Orientation

Planning, Scheduling and Orientation becomes the pre-requisite for any progressive execution and achievement. Recognizing the aforementioned fact, the management of Orchard Schools had vested its time and interests in orienting the orchard fraternity at various levels and occasions.

Competitions

The students of Orchard are granted with copious opportunity to unleash their inert talents and skills. Orchard Schools fosters a sportive environment to hone its wards in realizing their potencies in various skills pertaining to their levels. The competitions are conducted in campus. The Penmanship, Elocution, Story Writing , Singing, Rangoli, Fancy Dress and Art from Waste competition made students to ruminate on topics and employ innovation to the their tasks .

Students had proved their mettle by securing laurels by participating and winning in the Badminton, Skating, Aquatic Sports, Chess, Yoga and singing in theological forums, Aero-modeling, Article & Story contributions too.

Master Gokul of Grade X, the winner of CM Trophy-Badminton at Trichy level was placed second in SGFI state level and represented the state in the National Level has won a Bronze medal.

Master Jagadevan K of Grade 11 was placed third in the SGFI, Table Tennis, Divisional Level and was selected for the state level.

Irsath Ahamed of Grade 10, is selected to represent our state in RDS swimming competition winning three gold medals in 100,200,400 m Free style. He has also won silver medals in water polo, and in State Level for both 4X 100m and 4X50m free style swimming.

Master Rajkaren of Grade 9, has bagged a gold medal, in District level Roller hockey championship, Trichy and bronze medals in Open state Roller Skating Hockey & .National championship Roller Skating Cricket.

Ms Ramya Bharathi of Grade 5 has seldom traversed a weekend without participating in a chess tournament held anywhere across the country. She has bagged several trophies and medals playing against categories higher than her own and the opposite gender as well. The latest achievement is placing ninth in the National Level Chess Tournament held at New Delhi.

Mas Shyam Sundar R of Grade 8, participated in Bhajan Samrat Season 2 Juniors in Sri Sankara TV and emerged a semifinalist.

Celebrations

With a perfect blend of academics and avocation, Orchard Schools, has adjudged itself among its counterparts as an institution that complements scholastics and recreation. The Family Day, Annual Sports' day, Ahshara Abhiyan, and Grand Parents' Day were celebrated with grandiosity adhering to themes of social and familial bonding. All national & religious festivals are observed to infuse the spirit of oneness and patriotism. Days of awareness like World environment day, Yoga Day, Hand washing Day, Ozone Day were also observed.

Competitive Exams

A heuristic approach towards learning and confronting competitive exams is a prevalent trend at Orchard Schools. Through this the wards at Orchard synchronize their curriculum with an application oriented methodology which helps them to become confident and emerge successful in future getting prepared to face screening platforms like JEE, NEET, BITSAT, CLAT etc. We are glad to inform that Master Loganathan cleared both JEE mains and advanced level in 2016.-17 students of our school took up the Unified International English Olympiad-2016 and came out with distinctions while Master Mohamed Zubair of Grade 3, obtained a gold medal for his splendid performance.

Out of 257 students who participated in the various levels Spell Bee Contest, Ragul R of Grade 9, Yuvan Raj Krishna of Grade 7, Afzal Raja & Rishiprasanth of Grade 2 and Bavithraj of Grade 1 qualified and participated in the State Grand Finale.

Students have also taken up skill assessments from ASSET and *ntse* International science Olympiad and are awaiting results.

Colour days & Themes

The Primary and the elementary phases of schooling are diligently dealt to incorporate and instill the foundations of academics and learning. However, remembering the age factor of the wards at this stage, the pedagogy is reconstructed with a play way method of teaching coupled with theme & skill curriculum. The Colour days are one of its kinds, where the concept and theme is encrypted in the young minds.

Educational Tours

The serviceable educational tours are planned, organized and conducted in order to entertain and engage students in activities, that will help them become the utilitarian members of the society. The High School students were taken to Kiliyur for Bird Watch where children learnt about migratory birds in great detail.

Conclusion:

To encapsulate, every child is the most potent seed of a powerful human being. Perceiving the approach of New Age of learning, the Pioneers of this institution have taken it upon themselves to equip and empower the children of today, preparing them to meet the challenges of future by imparting in them holistic learning rich in social, theoretical and practical knowledge in line with the growing demand of the future. Orchard follows areal interdisciplinary and thematic approach to transform young learners into more confident and imaginative thinkers, better prepared for the challenges of tomorrow incorporating the best of practices in each phase.