Annual Report 2018-19

A Very Good Evening to everyone

I feel honoured to extend a hearty welcome to our distinguished Chief Guest Dr S. Chitra, M.D; DGO, our visionary Chairman and founder Shri S Mani, Chief Executive Officer, Correspondent, the Members of Alagu Nachiar Educational Trust, other Distinguished Guests, endearing Parents, Orchard Fraternity and my dear Children,

I take great pleasure in welcoming all of you on this special occasion of our 9th Annual Concert.

The Annual Report showcases the achievements and glories of our school. We have always been committed to create an environment in the school which helps the young minds to blossom and provide a platform for individual thinking and holistic development of the child's personality.

We set standards and goals for ourselves and strive to achieve them – be it in the area of academics, sports, discipline, leadership and more.

Each year the School feels proud to honour the students who have made the school proud with their brilliant efforts not only in the field of academics but also in the co-curricular and extracurricular areas.

ACADEMICS

I wish to begin with our performance on the academic front. Achieving academic excellence is at the heart of our endeavor as educators. Academic achievements reflect a demonstrated ability to perform to the best of one's ability by developing one's intellectual potentials and skills with diligence and ardor. Excellence in academics is the hallmark of any good institution and Grade X and XII Results of the School prove without any doubt that our students have made us proud.

In Grade X, the result was 100% with a School average of 84.4. Master Ruhul Ameen secured the first place with a score of 490 with centum in Math & Science. Miss Vandhana D and Miss Amrithavarshini G Scored 480 and were placed second while Md. Nishar was ranked third with 479.

In Grade XII too the result was 100% with the students performing extremely well and being placed in meritorious institutions for higher studies. Ms. Farheen Aakila scored 1165 and secured the first place while Master Jagadevan K secured 1161 with centum in Commerce and Economics and was placed 7th in the all India Level ranking with a cut off of **99.4** by the Delhi University and is perusing his B.Com Hons. at Sri Ram College of Commerce, New Delhi Mas.Paul Daniel Vaseekaran scored 1149 securing the third place.

OLYMPIAD

"The quality of your thinking, determines the quality of your mind."

Participation in the Science, Math, English and Informatics Olympiad, itself is the biggest competition where a student competes to outshine others internationally. It infuses a healthy competitive spirit through reward based assessment. Master Abel Judah of Grade 2 scaled to top 10 international Rank and was qualified for the Second Level in Cyber Olympiad.

SPELL BEE CONTEST

Orchardians proved their mettle in Spell Bee Contest and the following students were the State Level Rank Holders competing with students from more than 300 schools pan Tamil Nadu. We congratulate Muzina Zufra in Category 1, Nakkili Navya Amrudha in Category 2, Prithika I, Mohammed Zubair and G M Bavithraj in Category 3, Alisha M and Sharukk Hasthik from Category 4 and Yuvan Raj Krishna in Category 5 for their stupendous performance. I also thank the faculty members who trained them and also their parents for the tireless efforts.

ALL INDIA MEDICAL & ENGINEERING ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

In house coaching is offered for students aspiring to appear for All India Entrance Examinations like NEET, JEE I & II. The school feels delighted to congratulate Master Narendren, Ms. Neelakarthigaa, Mas. Yoganarayanan and Mas. Karthick who have emerged within the top 15 percentile in the JEE Mains held in January 2019 and would soon get into IIT or NIT.

SPORTS

"To be a great champion, you must believe you are the best. If you are not, keep on trying."

Sports competitions inculcate the spirit of positive challenges & sportsmanship among the students and prepare them for the life ahead. Sports, Games and Physical Fitness occupy a place of importance in our curriculum. Our students actively participated in different competitions and won medals, certificates and trophies. My hearty congratulations and good wishes to all our young achievers.

Master S. Gokul of XII B has strived hard to get the State and the alma mater's banner high by achieving distinct positions in Under 19 Boys single and double Shuttle Badminton Tournaments. He is the SGFI – National Runner Up, Semifinalist in All India Junior Ranking, III place holder in National Ranking, Runner Up in State Championship, Open State Ranking and RDS-BDS Divisional. Soon he would play for the Indian Team and qualifying for the 2024 Olympic is his ardent dream.

Mohamed Farhan of Grade XII A shared the RDS-BDG Divisional Runner up position with Mas. S. Gokul in doubles.

Master Nitin Palaniappan Arun of Grade VII A secured the first place in School Games Federation India-Regional Table Tennis Tournament and was elected to represent our Division in the State Level Competition. Miss Nethra W of VI A secured the third place in the same SGFI Table Tennis Tournament for Girls and also played in the State level.

Mas. Rajesh V of Grade X B has made a World Record in Silambam demonstrating Six Hours Non-Stop Marathon.

Mas. Irshad Ahmed of Grade XII B emerged a Gold Medalist in U-19 Boys RDS-BDG Divisional Swimming Tournament in 100m, 200m,400m Free Style while Mas Balaji G.M of Grade XI A secured a Bronze medal in U-17 Boys 100m free style swimming.

Shankar D of Grade XI B emerged a Gold Medalist in RDS-BDG Divisional Swimming Tournament in 50m & 100m Breast Stroke and Silver medalist in 200m Breast stroke in Under 17 Boys category. He secured the second place in Open State Ranking. Mas Ijaz Ahmed of Grade IX B secured the Gold Medal in U-17 100m Breast Stroke and Silver medals in 50m & 200m Breast Stroke. Miss Amrithavarshini of Grade XI A was ranked first in U-17 Girls 100m Breast Stroke and second in 200m free style and 50m Breast Stroke.

Mas Rajkarren of XI B emerged the Winner in U-17 Boys Open State Roller Hockey Tournaments held at both Tanjore and Trichy.

My warm wishes to all the budding champions who hit a perfect balance between Academics and Sports.

INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

This Academic Year, the Orchardians worked with a stupendous stride to participate in every notable competitions that came their way.

Miss G. Shiny Devadharshini of Grade XI A secured the Second place in the ALL India Level Essay Writing Competition on "A Thank You Note to My Teacher" held by The Hindu in Schools while Mas. Prasanna Venkatesh of VIII A bagged the Consolation Prize out of the 50 best picks in the Same Competition.

Fanus M and Jemi Charishma were spotted in the top -50 places in the Pan India essay competition with their articles on **"Fun & Learning"**.

Shri Kaniska of Grade X A secured the third place in the All India Level Drawing Competition by Hindu on "**Christmas Season**" while Shivani Arun of XI A, Vinothini P of XII A and Musfira of 6B were among the best 50 picks and were awarded consolation prizes.

COMPETITIONS

"Nothing changes, until you change. Everything changes, once you change."

Various Co-Curricular Competitions are held to develop a child physically, morally, socially and mentally and to hone skills in co-scholastic areas. Students are encouraged to participate and display their caliber in all the competitions carefully planned by the School.

STUDENTS' SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

To ensure that our students are well equipped with knowledge to face any challenge, we have focused sessions on special topics like Career Planning and Development, Leadership Skills, Art of cracking Competitive Exams etc;

TEACHERS INSERVICE TRAINING & WORKSHOPS

In keeping with the school's policy of continuous upgradation of knowledge and skills, our teachers attended various workshops and seminars organized by the school and others so as to improve their academic transactional skills and to update their capabilities.

<u>SELF – DEFENCE – AWARENESS</u>

Creating awareness among our students is the need of the time. Keeping in mind the safety of the children, a preliminary workshop on **Self-Defence for students was organized at School.**

PAPER ARTICLES:

"Ideas shape the course of history as the pen is mightier than the sword."

The thirst to pen Newspaper articles grew boundless among the orchardians. The articles of Aparnaa S.R, Dilakshini T, Kiruthika Devi S, Rathi R of Grade 9 and Shivani Arun, Jemi Charishma J, Jabez Jebaraj, Fanus M of Grade 11 and Jeevitha J of Grade 12 have been the top pick for publication on Fridays on Hindu in Schools.

Many milestones have been achieved and many still have to be reached. We at Orchard will continue our unceasing efforts to mould the young minds into well balanced personalities with confidence and zeal befitting the standards of this portal of education.

This report is a sincere attempt to showcase our progress in terms of achievements and activities during the academic year 2018-'19.

On this memorable occasion as we recount our success with pride and happiness, I owe my reverence to the unmitigated vision of our Chairman Shri S. Mani. I wish to dedicate all our achievements to the committed effort of a dedicated team called Orchard Fraternity.

I would like to conclude by quoting our School Motto "Learning for life" which demands us to update ourselves with all the recent developments and skills in the field of education.

I hope you will enjoy today's edutainment to be presented by our students.

Thank You .