

ANNUAL REPORT 2023- 2024

Respected dignitaries, invited guest, my loving parents, dedicated teachers and benefactors, a warm welcome and Good Evening to all. Santa Maria is passing 30yrs of a long – lasting, solid and signifying a strong bond of service in the field of education. The achievements and records that are marked in the pages of history of Santa Maria are very remarkable throughout the last yrs. As I see the august audience assembled here my heart thrives with immense pleasure to sketch the report of the academic year 2023- 24. Let me bow my head in acceptance of God's choicest blessings on us for had it not been the blessings of God we would not have travelled this far.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world .This report showcases the moment of growth, excellence and glories of our school, undoubtedly, but also makes us think deeply about strengthening ourselves in various other areas.

Academic.

The school commenced in full pledge on 1st June 2023. The day blossomed into the happiness of the students and teachers of this abode of knowledge. The garden of Santa Maria was looking pretty with 1142 marvelous embellished flowers from Pre -KG to XII. We believe in the innocence of children. They are our strength and wealth. 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.

I believe staffs are the backbone of an institution. Their innovative caliber helps the institution to reach great heights. This year we have 51 teaching and 13 non teaching staff. I appreciate and salute the hard work and dedicated service of our teaching & non-teaching staff. Seminars and workshops were conducted for the teachers at regular intervals to ensure the scientific and systematic approach in teaching and learning process.

The academic ability of Santa Maria was proved once again with 100% success in the class X and XII Board Examination of 2023. Congratulations and best wishes to all our dear ones of X and XII batch of the academic year 2022-23. We are proud of you and wish you all still greater heights in your already towering academic achievements.

The school curriculum was framed following the guidelines of National Education Policy 2020. A lot of curricular and co-curricular activities were held throughout the year for the holistic development of Santa Marians.

Assessment and Examination:-

Assessment is based on Periodic Tests, Terminal Examinations and Subject – Enrichment activities. School conducts four unit Test and two Semester examinations. Report of the academic progress of the child is discussed with the parents at the ‘Open House’ arranged at school .

Physical Education is an integral part of School Education. An inter school sports Meet and The annual inter- house tournaments are organized once a year and certificates of merit, medals, trophies and shields are awarded accordingly .

Educational Tours and picnics are arranged under the supervision of teachers to various places of historical, geographical and cultural interest. This year students from classes LKG to 3rd were taken to -Farm Sanctuary, students from classes 4 to 9 and puls one visited, Silver storm and Veega Land. Educational Tour for Classes X and XII were to Mysoor to foster their learning and make education more enjoyable and memorable.

Health is the most important things in our life. To assure our students are healthy an annual Medical check-up was conducted in the school premises by the doctors from Wellness Solution.

Scholarship Exam such as AIPSA, NSPC ,SEAS Examination, PCM Scholarship Aryabhatta Ganit Challenge -Online competition ,and various colouring competitions encouraged the students to learns to strive for excellence.

To make our students expertise and build confidence , the school had conducted Seminars and Workshop for students on Cyber security awareness program- koottu, Awareness class on road safety, TOAST-Transform oneself with Art, Stories & Theatre- Kadha Parayum Vandi, Awareness programme on Hariththa Keralam, - keeping the surroundings neat and clean etc. . A seminar on Robotic learning was also conducted for classes 3 to 5.

As part of introducing 21st century life skill to students Cybersecurity and Ethical Hacking (30-hour add-on program) was designed for classes 8 to 12 to equip students with the technical skills and understanding of ethical issues involved in protecting online data from malicious attacks.

This year too just like every other year our students had taken part in Kochi Metro Sahodya Kalotsav that took place at Naipunya Public School, on 4th of November. Congratulation to all the participants and winners of Kalotsav. Special Congratulations goes out to Anibha K J and Fathima S Chachia of XII, who had represented the school at the state level. It's great to announce that this year we have secured Second Position in the Akhila Kerala Balajenasakhyam competition. Master Sheiyon from class X added another feather to the glory of Santa Maria by securing First Prize in CBSE Zonal level Taekwondo Competition thus publicizing the school at the state level.

14th Santa Soccer Fest was conducted in the month of November from 27 to 29. It's glad to say that, this year we have commenced Soccer Fest for girls under 16. Around 50 schools were part of the Fest. There were competitive matches throughout the days, with teams demonstrating good sportsmanship. GHSS North Paravur Won the match and TD School, Mattancherry was the Runner up under 19 for boys. Girls match was won by The Choice Public School, Tripunithara and the runner up was Don Bosco Senior Secondary School, Vaduthala. Santa Marians were

also part of various inter school football matches and they gave a good performance.

Co-curricular activities.

The School Parliament and Investiture Ceremony.

Unlike every other year, this year the School Parliament election for the student cabinet was held in our school premises on 10th June by casting of votes in ballot by Spartans Social Science club, with the aim of providing a platform to the students to develop leadership qualities by organizing and carrying out school activities and service projects. The Student cabinet consisting of 28 members were elected and invested with their duties on 30th June by the Manager, Principal and Vice principal in the presence Mr Feroz - SP of Thoppumpady and Mr Sebastian - Principal of KV INS Dronacharya , a member of School SMC.

To impart a healthy competitive spirit among students and to inculcate the habit of working together, training in leadership qualities, an efficient House System has been introduced in the school. The students showcased their talents under the House system. The appointed House co-ordinators work along with the students to develop a sense of unity and teamwork, learning how to work with others in reaching the same goals. A regular record of pupil's participation and achievements in house activities is maintained and merit points are awarded to each house.

Club Activities

The following are some of the club activities aimed at the developing the life skill such as communication skill, creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, decision making and so on

- “Take Right Turn for Life”, the right turn club was launched in the school for the academic year 2023-2024. Right turn combined project of ASDS Aluva, Dream Kochi and Don Bosco, Pallruthy. Our school was awarded for being the best unit at the school level and for our mission to help upcoming generation to choose positive addiction. The motto of the club is:

“ADDICTED TO LIFE”

“ADDICTED TO FAMILY”

“ADDICTED TO PASSION”

- ‘Cleanliness becomes more important when godliness is unlikely’. To observe *Swachhata Pakhwada* in a befitting manner the schools had undertaken activities like Slogan Making Competition on the theme ‘Swachhata Ki Sewa’. A campaign of completing 100 hrs of cleaning in and around the school premises was held in the month of October for all classes. This drive resulted in cleanliness, sanitation and hygiene in school with active involvement of students, teachers and community.
- As a cross – curricular pedagogical approach ART Integrated Project was introduced by the CBSE and we decided to take the challenge of organizing an Art integration Programme pairing Chhattisgarh and Kerala. An ART Integration Expo and Cultural Gala was organized by Spartans Social Science club .
- With the aim of inculcating healthy habits among the students Nutrition Week was observed by Papillon Science club . A salad making competition was conducted to raise awareness about the importance of Nutrition.
- The Traphens Maths club was able to educate the students through their activities that Maths is a subject to enjoy , appreciate and discover. They showed its intrinsic aesthetics by conducting competitions like quiz ,chart making, Maths exhibition and so on
- The Ever Green Eco club joined hands together to contribute to the well - being of the environment with the motto Where there is Green , there is Prosperity’. The students were enriched with the importance of nurturing nature by the activities like distributing saplings, Beat plastic, plastic pollution, internal National Day against Drug Abuse.
- Charity is a humanitarian Act. Fostering generosity and knowing the importance of charity empower them to have a meaningful impact on the lives of others. Engaging in charitable acts had a positive impact on students. In order to nurture their innate generosity the Spartans Social Science Club conducted a breakfast challenge . Balajena Skahyam club arranged food stall

during the various competitions and raised the amount to help the sick and needy. Our students from Balajena Sakkhyam distributed their donation by visiting the old age homes and orphanage. I believe that these are the steps to make our children a better human.

Celebrations.

The celebrations like Reading Day, Teachers' day, Children's day, Yoga day, Hindi day, Partitions Horror Remembrance day, Onam, Christmas were celebrated with colourful programmes.

Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav was celebrated with much enthusiasm and eagerness. A special cycle rally was arranged from School ground to Taluk Office, Fort Kochi to honor the spirit of Indian freedom struggle was organised. We ensured a grand and inclusive celebrations with national pride in our school as well as in the premises of Taluk office and Veli Open Ground – Fort Kochi on 15th of August.

Occasions like Literary and cultural Meet– Santa Fiesta, Sports day, Santa Soccer Fest, Grand Parent's day added more colour to the celebrations of the School.

We hope to make a BIG DIFFERENCE in the lives of tomorrow's leaders. We are grateful to our families, grandparents, alumni, parents of alumni, and friends who enrich us with time, talents and treasures. We recognize the full worth of our amazing faculty and non-teaching staff who tirelessly dedicate their time and energy for our students. We also extend much gratitude to each of you for your support to our Young Scholars. With your support, we are able to fulfill our mission To Learn to Lead with hands-on learning experience for our scholars that's both affordable and accessible. We have accomplished a lot this year and will do so here on.

May our heavenly patroness Blessed Virgin Mary continue to intercede for us that we, the Santa Marians continue to soar high scaling down new feats. Let me conclude by quoting the words of George Washington.

“Education is the key that unlocks the golden door to freedom.”

Thank you

