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“The future of our country and the world depends upon children. This present generation is relying on us to mould them with proper education and with high moral values”

- Swami Satchidanandaji Maharaj

More than ever, the present day children need our guidance, care and attention. Children of the present era undergo enormous anxiety, tension and pressure to perform well in all fields, at times much against their wishes and capacities. They have also become victims of circumstances forced by high expectations of the society from one side and their own parents on the other. Psychologists and educationists are of the opinion that many factors such as unrealistic expectations, peer pressure and unfriendly atmosphere at home are some of the prime reasons forcing the young minds to be in constant state of uncertainty and disappointments. The overall childhood is lost and they are forced to become young adults in their thinking and at times in action. This hurried and forceful growth on them do not augur well for the tender and young minds. It is time we supported our children both emotionally and psychologically.

In the pursuit of scoring higher grades under compulsion, children are shunted from one tuition centres to the other thus robbing their games and leisure time. Virtually the poetic lines, “There is no time to stand and stare” has become true. Their only companion now a days is their Television or Inter-net or an iPad. With empty walls glaring at them on returning from schools, children anxiously anticipate for the company of someone at home. It is time parents extended their unconditional love for them.

Media make our children unsettle both in their thoughts and actions. Influence of media has taken a very high toll on their moral values and has left a deep dent in their personal traits. Easy accessibility to electronic gadgets and mobile phones, in the name of modernity, complicate their life-style. Age old values such as truth, honesty, kindness etc., have been labeled as 'show off' in this speed world. Children are hooked to anything which brings them temporary happiness. It is time we taught children real from unreal.

Disciples such as Ekalvya and Arjuna are very rare nowadays so as Gurus such as Dhronacharya and Vishwamithra under whom the traditional Gurukul system of education thrived giving importance to Guru-Sishya relationship pious and harmonious. The distance between the teacher and the taught is widening now either for personal reasons or enforced rules on them by the society. The basic lesson that children at this age need our guidance is forgotten. It is time, we reassured them our presence.

If right moral values are not taught in their school days along with their curriculum no amount of subject teaching can bring peace and harmony in their later years. India, known for instilling wisdom over the centuries will lose its identity once moral values find their ways out in school children and what will remain will be only just a piece of grade sheet without any goodness left. Hence it is time, we focused collectively teaching on values and virtues in class rooms. This has become the need of the hour.

Om shanthi!

SAJONI

ORIENTATION TO NEW PARENTS

The new parents orientation was held on May 16, 2013 to brief new parents about the school and its lofty ideals. Swami Abiramanandaji Maharaj, Secretary, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyalaya, Coimbatore inaugurated the programme. In his address he urged the parents to set an example to their children. Our Managing Trustee K.Ramasamy, Dr.D.Srinivasan, Clinical Psychologist, Coimbatore and Secretary Dr.Kavidasan also spoke highlighting the role of parents and parental responsibilities.



SWAMI ABIRAMANANDAJI MAHARAJ
Secretary, Sri Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya Coimbatore

STAFF SKILL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME:



Mr. N.C. NANDHAGOPALAN, Secretary, PSG College of Arts & Science and Sarvajana Higher Secondary School, Coimbatore

Teachers of our school undergo a week's orientation every year to update the various emerging trends in the field of education. This year's orientation was formally inaugurated by Mr. N.C. NANDHAGOPALAN, SECRETARY PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE AND SARVAJANA HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, COIMBATORE on May 27, 2013. Experts from various walks of life like, Mr.E.Girish, Principal of PSG Public School, Coimbatore emphasized the aspects of CCE. The Valedictory function was presided by our Secretary Dr.Kavidasan.

ENRICHMENT OF FRENCH LANGUAGE:

On June 15, 2013, Enrichment of French Language Programme was conducted by Mrs.Jeeva Ratnam, Professor of French, Avinashilingam Deemed University, Coimbatore, in continuation of the MOU signed with Avinashilingam Deemed University to promote French language among the students from Std. IV as additional language.



Mr. GnanaPandithan, Vice - Principal
Address the assembly

KAMARAJ KALVI VALARCHI NAAL

Kalvi Valarchi Naal, the memory of Karmaveerar Kamaraj, was observed on July 14, 2013, a day before his birth day, to pay our respect to the great legend of Tamilnadu, who served for the welfare of his own state and country. Principal, Vice-principal, Teachers and students delivered speeches about his contributions to the nation and songs were sung in praise of the popular leader.



Mrs. JEEVA RATHINAM, Prof. Of French,
Avinashilingam Deemed University, Coimbatore

ANNUAL SPORTS DAY – 2013

On August 1, 2013 the 3rd annual sports meet was held and it was an enthralling event of the year. Dr.R.Nataraj, Superintendent of Customs, Chennai was the Chief guest of the day. The Chief Guest declared the sports meet open. A powerful speaker and sports man, he urged the students to excel in sports. The Alumni Mr.A.Deepak, and Ms.P.Sri Kiruthiga, evoked their far-fetched reminiscences happened in their school days. Team Agni won the overall championship and the beaming students bagged the prizes with pride.



Team Agni, the proud Winners - Sports Day 2013

LOTUS QUIZ

SJN has the credit of hosting the inter-school quiz competition for more than a decade. The quiz contest was held on August 14, 2013 in the auditorium. Vice Principal Mr.Gnana Pandithan was the quiz master. Following is the results:

1. Winners - Amrita Vidyalayam, Coimbatore
2. Runners-up – PSG, Public School, Coimbatore
3. Third place - SSVN – World School, Coimbatore



The Lotus Quiz - 2013 Winners

INDEPENDENCE DAY



Mr. K. RAVI,
Chief Finance Officer, Roots Multi clean, Coimbatore

67th independence day was celebrated in our campus. Principal, Mr.V.Ganesan, welcomed the gathering and the Chief Guest Mr. K.Ravi, Chief Finance Officer, Roots Multi clean, Coimbatore, unfurled the tricolor flag and took the Guard of Honor. The Chief Guest in his address spoke about the rich culture of our nation and underlined the duty of the youngsters to carry forward the nation towards the path of further glory. Patriotic songs were sung and sweets were distributed.

FIELD TRIPS

Students of class IV visited Botanical Garden, Ooty on 17.6.2013, along with the staff members. On 5.7.2013, class V paid a visit to the Integral Yoga Institute & Aavin Milk products, Coimbatore. Class VI, got to know about the functioning of the Mountain Railway at Mettupalayam. Standard VII went to Azhiyar Dam.



Visit to Mettupalayam Railway Station



Visit to Mysore

Class VIII students went to Mysore and they visited most of the tourist attractions like Mysore Palace, Chamundeeshwari Temple and Tipu Sultan summer palace and his Tomb. From 17.6.2013 to 19.6.2013 students of standard IX were in Mudumalai. The children enjoyed the scenic beauty of nature along with the flora and fauna. Students of standard X visited Chennai on 25.9.2013, and they had a chance to pay a visit to the places like Anna University, Vellore Institute of Technology, and Golden Temple at Vellore. We are grateful to the Professors of the Anna University for explaining in details about the various courses being taught there.

TEACHERS' DAY:

Teachers' day was celebrated on September 5, 2013 in memory of Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, teacher of all teachers. NCC students of our school, headed by our Secretary Dr. Kavidasan, honoured the teachers of Government Hr. Sec. School, Mettupalayam and teachers of Mahajana Hr.Sec. school, Mettupalayam. In the evening children presented a variety show and honoured our teachers.



Dr. Kavidasan, Secretary, honoring a teacher

BOOK FAIR

Prof. A. Sethuraman Subbiah, the HOD of Social Work Department, Bharatiyar University, Coimbatore inaugurated the Book fair for this academic year on 27.10.2013. Scholastic India, Great Books, New Century Book House and Ramakrishna Mission displayed their books for sale. This annual feature has been one of the sought after event among our students.



Dr. A.SETHURAM SUBBIAH,
Bharathiar University, Coimbatore

CHILDREN'S DAY



Lady Teachers performing a dance

Children's day was celebrated in memory of Chacha Nehru on November 14 and this year the day started with a special programme on Nehru in the morning assembly and teachers presented a variety entertainment to the students in the auditorium. The entire programme consisted of an invocation dance, an English play dance by the Lady Teachers, Villupattu, Tamil Play, a group song and an orchestra. The two hour programme drew the attention of every student seated in auditorium.

YOGA

After winning the State level yoga competition held in Coimbatore, our girls students represented the State of Tamil Nadu in a National level Yoga competition held in the 2nd week of November in Delhi. S.Kirithika and S.Trisha of our school won the 2nd prize in Yoga Dancing while Sri E.R.Nivetha was placed second in Artistic Yoga. We congratulate their efforts.



Our Yoga Students at the Nationals

NCC CYCLE RALLY



Cycle Rally being flagged off

To spread the ill-effects of tobacco, the NCC cadets of our school took part in a cycle rally on 30.11.2013. The rally covered a distance of 50 kms spreading messages of cancer awareness to villagers in and around Mettupalayam. Enroute cadets performed cultural shows highlighting this theme. Dr. Kavidasan, Secretary of the school flagged off the rally.

CBSE – SOUTH ZONE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT – 2013-14

We hosted the CBSE South Zone Hockey tournament for the second year in succession for under 19 boys and girls and under 14 boys and girls category. We won both U-19 and U-14 girls title and Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan school, Medikkeri, Karnataka won the boys Under-14 title. Sainik School Amaravathi Nagar, Tamil Nadu retained their Under 19 Hockey title. At the Nationals, held at Panipat, Haryana our U-14 girls retained the runners up position and U-19 girls came third bringing laurels at the highest level. We congratulate the Players, the Coach & the team Managers.



UNDER 14 – GIRLS WINNER



UNDER 19 – GIRLS WINNERS

We congratulate Sri Sivasakthi Kirupayini of 7th standard and Varshini of 5th standard for participating in a state level painting competition held recently in Chennai on the topics, "save water and save power".

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