CMI PUBLIC SCHOOL, CHALAKUDY ANNUAL REPORT 2023– 2024

Report of the school activities during the year 2023-2024, submitted by the Principal on the occasion of the 23rdAnnual Day held on 1st February 2024.

Honourable Chief Guest of the day, Rev. Fr. Davy Kavungal - Vicar Provincial and Councillor for Evangelisation and Pastoral Ministry, Devamatha Province, Director - Rev. DR. Santhosh Mundanmani, Manager Rev. Fr. Shine Pazhayattil, Municipal Councillor Mrs. Sudha Baskaran, PTA Presidents- Mr. P G Dileep and DR. Nice Mary Francis, Staff Secretary Mr. Jimmy Vincent, School Leader Ms. Emrita J Payyappilly, distinguished guests, parents, teachers and students,

I wholeheartedly extend a warm welcome to all the distinguished guests on and off the dais.

Since its establishment in 2001, our school has been guided by the divine grace of the Lord Almighty, leading us on the path of glory and success. As we reflect on the accomplishments of the academic year 2023-24, it is with immense gratitude to Almighty God that I present the report of our school's activities.

On the occasion of our 23rd Annual Day, we take this opportunity to honour and pay homage to the visionary St. Chavara Kuriakose Elias, the esteemed Founder of the CMI Congregation, whose principles have been a guiding light for our institution.

Looking back over the years, we take pride in the remarkable strides and achievements our school has made in a relatively short span. We celebrate the fact that our school has established its own standard of excellence in the realm of education.

CMI Public School is dedicated to achieving an international standard of excellence while maintaining a harmonious balance between tradition and modernity. Remaining true to the values set by St. Chavara Kuriakose Elias, we

continue on the journey towards cultivating a new paradigm of education that meets international standards. Our curriculum is designed to provide research-oriented, activity-oriented, and family-oriented learning. Through project presentations, students engage in extensive research on assigned topics, fostering a mindset of lifelong learning.

This academic year, we were fortunate and blessed to have our Director being elected as the Councillor for Education and Mass Media, Devamatha Province, and Rev. Fr. Shine Pazhayattil was appointed as the Manager of our school.

On 5th June, the new administrative block and the Lawn Tennis Court of the school were inaugurated by our Director Rev. DR. Santhosh Mundanmani. We were also fortunate to have the blessing of the newly built CMI Bhavan on 15th August by the Provincial of Devamatha Province.

This year we bid adieu to two of our veteran staff – Mrs. Leema Shonylal and Mrs. Vijaya Devi. Mrs. Leema Shonylal who has been with our institution since 2005 is retiring after a selfless service of 18 years. Mrs. Vijaya Devi is retiring after a tenure of 14 years in this institution.

International Activities

International Activities are intended to enhance a peep into the larger and better scenario of learning. The International Dimensions in Schools (IDS) action plan for seven projects was approved by the British council in the year 2022 and our school has been certified till 2025.

Our students appeared for the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) for Grade 8, 9 and 10 which is conducted by the College Board USA.

Awards

Our school was honoured with a certificate from the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate, Government of India for student participation in the National Students Paryavaran Competition. We also received the MLA award for achieving 100% success in the CBSE Xth and XIIth Board Examinations.

Academics

Academic excellence is given prime importance in this school. We assure academic excellence through periodical tests, assessments, projects, seminars, and open houses. We were able to keep up the tradition of attaining excellent results in the CBSE exams this year too. In the XIIth Grade Board exam our students bagged 96% distinction. Gouri Menon from Science stream became the topper with 96% marks. For Grade X it was a sweeping victory with 100% first class and 89% distinction. Lena S Thazhath was the topper with 99.2% marks. Lena S Thazhath, Daliya Shajji, Angel Rose Jinto, Hannah Shaju, Caroline Jose and Niva Rose Paul scored a centum in Malayalam. Lena S Thazhath, Jerrica Maria Jimson and Hima Maneesh scored 100 in Social. Helan M Tharakan and Niya Ann Flamy scored centum in English. Daliya Shajji, Angel Rose Jinto, Hannah Shaju, David Varghese, Algia Joy, Angel Rose, Ann John, Anna Rose P. L, Annmaria Joshy and Antony Jose scored 100 in Information Technology.

These students were awarded the meritorious student trophy by the Chalakudy MLA, Mr. Saneesh Kumar Joseph. It is the proof of hard work and perseverance of the CMI School family that we had such good results in the board exam for Grade X and Grade XII for the past years.

Seminars & Projects

We give opportunity to the children to present a seminar on relevant topics of their choice. The best presentations are compiled and released as "Facets of the World Around

us". This year, the final round of seminar was held on November 29th. The 1st prize was bagged by Gauri P. Dileep of Grade X, second prize by Evelyn Joy of Grade IX and the third prize was shared by Rohith Shaju of Grade X and Keerthy Rejeev of Grade IX.

Our students carry out two projects in each term. They do seven projects in a year including two international projects. The IDS award is the recognition for the projects done by our students from LKG to Grade XII.

Exhibitions

Exhibitions are conducted regularly on different subjects to enhance the knowledge, skill and creativity of the students. This year we were able to conduct nine such fruitful exhibitions.

Field trips and Excursions

Excursions and Field trips help the students grow in team spirit and become familiar with nature and the surroundings. This year, the classes were assigned to visit places of social, industrial and political relevance and natural beauty. Each class will be going for four field trips. The students of Grade X visited Delhi and Grade XII went to Goa.

Co-curricular Activities

We follow a curriculum incorporating curricular and co-curricular activities in a balanced manner which provides ample opportunities for the students to develop their potential and improve their abilities. Co-curricular activities include Seminar, Projects, Exhibitions, Debates, Quiz bowl, and Public Speaking. The music academy affiliated to Chetana Music Academy provides training in vocal and instrumental music.

Training is also provided in classical dance. Classes for Yoga, Karate, Roller skating, Aerobics, drums, Organ, Violin and Guitar, are also conducted regularly. Painting, drawing, SUPW classes give the students opportunity to polish their talents. Classes in Crafts, Chess, Abacus, Badminton, Basketball, Table Tennis and Lawn Tennis are also been conducted.

There are 6 clubs in our school which conduct many fruitful projects. They are the Read & Grow Club, Eco Club, Disaster Management Club, Heritage & tourism club, Health & Wellness Club and Adolescence Club. The students of Grade XI and XII are given training in basic mechanics required in their life. The Eco club promotes Spiritual Farming, a cult of farming which aims at preparing the earth to its original nature devoid of anything harmful to the soil.

Arts Fest, literary and cultural competitions of our school were conducted in the month of July.

The Central Kerala Sahodaya Arts Fest was held at Marygiri Public School, Koothattukulam. Our students participated in various on-stage and offstage items. Angel Rose Jinto of grade XI secured First prize with A Grade in Folk dance and Ayarin Abhilash of Grade VI secured First prize with A Grade in Monoact.

The Central Kerala Sahodaya Skating Competition was conducted at Shanthal Jyothi Public School, Thodupuzha. Elva Mary secured second prize in Quad 500m and third prize in quad 200m, Ann Shaju secured third prize in Inline 200m and 500m and Elizabeth secured second prize in 200m Inline.

Chathurangam Central Kerala Sahodaya Inter School Chess Championship was conducted at Village International School, Thodupuzha. Aaron Kavungal secured the second prize and Aby Alfonz Albin secured the third prize.

First South Zone Off Ice Skating Championship was held at Christ Vidyanikethan, Irinjalakuda. Aryan Jerry secured the second prize and is qualified for the National.

Thrissur District Tennis Championship was held at Puzhakkal. Angeline Biju secured the second prize and is qualified for the state level.

Our school also participated in the **FRSI**, **Thrissur Skating clash-Zone C Competition** at Christ Vidya Niketan School, Irinjalakuda. Our team was the First Runner -Up.

Sports

We give due prominence to sports and games in our curriculum. Training for sports is given during the sports period. Special coaching is given for swimming and football. The fun games play an important role in refreshing the mind and giving physical activity to the children.

The Annual Sports Meet was conducted on September 25th and 26th. Our PTA Vice President Mrs. Veena Nair inaugurated the Sports meet.

The Central Kerala Sahodaya Athletic Championship was held at St. Thomas Public School, Muvattupuzha. A total of 77 students participated in

various events in various categories. Our school secured the Second Runners -Up Trophy. George Joseph secured the individual championship in sub junior category.

Our students participated in the Central Kerala Sports Meet, Thrissur District and won 15 medals. The first, second and third prize winners were qualified to the Kerala State Athletic Meet. Anna Vijay secured 2nd prize in Long Jump in the State Meet.

The Central Kerala Sahodaya Football Tournament was held at Carmel CMI Public School, Vazhakulam. Our team won the Runners-Up Trophy. Eric Justin of Grade X was declared the Best Defender of the Tournament.

Central Kerala Sahodaya Football Tournament (under 14 boys) was held at Holy Angel's Public school, Pothanicadu. We were the champions. The top scorer award and the best player award were won by our students Juan Felix Geo and Savio Shiju.

Chavara Football Tournaments

We conduct three Football Tournaments in honour of our Founder St. Chavara Kuriakose Elias.

The Chavara Junior and Sub Junior Football Tournament were conducted on 28th, 29th and 30th November 2023. We were the champions in the junior category. The Best Player of the tournament was Aldrin Shinto, the Best Goal Keeper was Steve S Vallooran and the Promising Player was Savio Shiju.

The Chavara Kiddies Football Tournament was conducted on 18th January 2024. We were the champions. The top scorer of the tournament was Sivaneeth N. and the Best defender was Raiswin Ambooken.

Spiritual Activities

Spirituality is given prime importance among all the activities in the school. Holy Mass is celebrated every month and on Feast Days. Each class gets an opportunity to lead the offertory and prayers. The Feast of our Lady of Mount Carmel and Feast of St. Chavara are celebrated with devotional prayers and

veneration. Each month our students learn about a virtue as the topic for public speaking and those who practice the virtue get certificates.

Literary Cultural Activities

The literary skills of the students are encouraged through the Kid's News Letter. The Notice Board Competitions on relevant topics and events encourage the children to find out and display reports and dates of major events. The students organise and conduct the Class Cultural Programme and the Family Get-together which promote their initiative and skill in coordinating and conducting programmes. Read Aloud programmes and competitions are conducted regularly to enhance the reading skills of students.

Festivals

Celebrations and festivals are a part and parcel of our activities. This year the celebrations started with 'Parents' Day' which was celebrated on September 23rd 2023

Grades IX, X, XI & XII rocked the stage which made everyone spellbound. We celebrated Independence Day, Teacher's Day, Children's Day, Kids' Fest, Kinder Fest and Christmas in a befitting manner.

This year the exciting 'Food Day' was celebrated on August 5th. It was included in the curriculum with the intention of providing knowledge and instruction in the basic culinary skills one should possess. Special focus and training was given to Grades VI to XII to have them well-equipped with the art of cooking on completion of their schooling.

The 14th All Kerala Chavara Kuriakose Elias Painting Competition.

The All Kerala Chavara Kuriakose Elias Painting Competition to commemorate St. Chavara, the founder of the CMI Congregation was conducted successfully on November 11th. Around 1200 students from different schools participated in the competition and all the participants were given a gift pack.

Social Service Programme

We keep up a tradition of helping the poor and needy. As part of the Snehasparsham CMI CHILD CARE FOUNDATION we provide medical aid to the poor and needy children in our neighbourhood who suffer from acute diseases.

Providing a glimmer of hope to the children struggling to survive, the CMI CHILD CARE FOUNDATION 'SNEHASPARSAM' is an annual feature.

We have also allotted fee concession to meritorious students who are financially insecure. Our students donate books on the Vidyarambam Day and Carmel Day which are distributed to the needy students in the locality.

An initiative started by the Collector of Thrissur -Krishna Teja IAS – "Together For Thrissur" - to make sure that the families identified as living in extreme poverty are helped, every CBSE school has been requested to adopt a certain number of families. We at CMI have adopted 10 families. We started being a part of this venture from the month of November.

A grand total of Rs. 27,63,199 was given as financial aid for the year 2023-24.

This year our students visited homes and institutions for the disabled like Sevanagiri Sevanalaya, Annallur, Anugraha Sadan, Koodapuzha, Abhaya Bhavan, Irinjalakuda, Santhwana Sadan, Irinjalakuda, Pratheeksha Bhavan, Irinjalakuda, De Paul Smile Village, Vettikkuzhy. We distributed blankets, bed sheets and articles needed for their daily use. The student council along with our Manager visited the neighbouring colonies especially in our ward wherein lives a large number of economically backward people and distributed provisions whenever in need. This year we distributed food kits for Onam and cakes for Christmas. We have been providing constant medical aid especially to the members of the 24th ward of this municipality, afflicted with cancer and other serious illnesses.

Teachers' Training Programme

To get updated with the latest trends in teaching, periodical enrichment programmes were conducted for teachers.

Different training programmes by NISHTHA were also attended by all the teachers making sure that every teacher attends 50 hours of CPDs annually, which is mandatory for the teachers of CBSE Schools.

Our teachers attended the Capacity Building Programme for empowerment of teachers conducted by the CBSE for Physics, Mathematics, Economics, Cyber Security and Health and Wellness.

A training programme on Inclusive Education was conducted by the school Counsellor and a training programme on first aid for various occasions was organized for the teachers by Dr. Muhammed Sabir N K of St. James Hospital, Chalakudy.

PTA

The PTA has been most supporting in all the activities of the school. I take this opportunity to place on record our sincere thanks to the parents for their unflinching support. The PTA is headed by the Presidents Mr. P.G. Dileep & DR. Nice Mary, Vice presidents are Mrs. Veena Nair and Mr. Biju Koonan.

Staff Council

This school is fortunate to have an efficient and dedicated team of teachers and non-teaching staff. The unity of our staff is the strength of this school. The Staff Council is led by the staff secretary Mr. Jimmy Vincent.

Student Council

A student Council, elected in the model of a parliamentary system, functions very effectively in discharging their duties under the school leader, Ms. Emrita J Payyappilly

Conclusion

Before concluding, I take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to the Management and CMI Congregation for the encouragement and support in all our endeavours. I extend my sincere gratitude to the teachers and non-teaching staff for their relentless service in bringing this institution to glorious heights. I am also grateful to the parents, members of the PTA and all well-wishers. I am so grateful to my students for their lively co-operation.

May I wind up this report, by thanking, the Almighty God who strengthened our hands, in all our endeavours and I pray for his continuous blessings on our children and on our institution.
