



Inflourescence

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Sairam,

Grace of the Almighty Lord Sai being bestowed on us abundantly, we could successfully bring in another edition of our Annual Magazine – *Inflorescence* without any hindrance from any corner. This year the *Inflorescence* is resplendent with the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the present campus. We are indeed rejoicing the occasion to our heart's content, though time is the constraint.

Amid the gaiety of the celebrations, the Academics of the school also bloomed to their brilliant best, scaling the glory of the school, to new heights. The all-round achievement would not have been a reality without the cooperation of the Management and the Grace of our ever loving Lord Sai.

The issue highlights glimpses of our ideals such as Hospitality, Commitment & Discipline, Duty, Devotion.

We surrender our everything
at His Lotus Feet

Silver Jubilee Year of the Campus - Celebrations



This magnificent school building, a gift of Lord Sai, was inaugurated on 30th June – an auspicious day of Gurupurnima, in the year 1989. The current year happens to be the Silver Jubilee Year, hence the year long Celebrations. The silver lining of this epochal year is the formation of Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vihar Old Students Association. The school has a rich record of 1500 Alumni who are all well placed in the society as Entrepreneurs, Doctors, Engineers, IT Professionals,

Professors, Auditors, Bankers, Creative Directors, Ace photographers etc. The school affectionately considers them as its hot property. Their loyalty and love for the school is indeed commendable.

The students were given the Badges and Caps with Silver Jubilee Logo designed by our Alumnus C. S. Harsha, who is a Creative Director in the Advertising field.



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The silver jubilee celebrations commenced with a special pooja at Aaradhyadhamam on 23rd August and the Inaugural function on 25th August. Sri. Nimish Pandya National Vice President, WR SSSSO was the Chief Guest while Sri.N.Ramani, National Vice President SR, SSSSO and Sri. S. G. Chalam , State Vice President of SSSSO were the Guests of Honour. All of them congratulated the school for hitting the land mark. The Inaugural Session commenced with a Power Point presentation, reminiscing the beautiful memories of Bhagawan's Visits to the School from 1976. During the session, Homage was also paid to the departed souls who had played pivotal roles in the progressive years of the school.



A Corpus Fund for the school was announced by the Convener on behalf of the Management, a cheque was issued to mark its beginning. The function concluded with a spectacular cultural programme put up by the school students and the Alumni.





To mark the 25th year in the existing campus, foundation stone for “Silver Jubilee Block” (meant for Cultural & Sports activities) was laid by the Convener Sri. A. Ranga Rao. This block is a joint venture of the School and its Alumni consisting of Doctors, Professors and Software professionals of 1987 batch.



This gesture of goodwill from the Alumni is overwhelming.



The Alumni were invited to participate in the 10 - over Cricket Tournament on the 23rd December. It was real fun to watch boys from the first batch of 1981, in their forties who put up tough fight with the 15 year olds. Girls from the Alumni also exhibited their share of sportiveness by playing a Throw ball match with the current girl students.



The Trophies in both the matches were won by the Alumni.



The Alumni Meet organized in the school Auditorium on 25th December, drew in many, who came from abroad and various corners of India. They enthusiastically enrolled themselves in the School Alumni Association and shared their school memories nostalgically with everyone in the meeting.

Hospitality



The year 2012 had special visitors from East High School in Denver USA in the month of July. About ten high school students along with their teachers led by Mr. Jeremy Hoffer came to the school and interacted with High school students. Our students entertained the visitors with Kuchipudi & BharathaNatyam dances, Bhajan & devotional songs. They in turn presented a Ballet, Step Dancing Gospel singing & a song of Peace. This showed the fusion of cultures.



Gene Massey - a reputed Hollywood Director who was assigned the job of shooting a Documentary on Sai system of Education for National and International audience.



He came to the school on 13th Feb 2013 to conduct a session of shooting the school premises & the activities of the school. He was highly impressed with the reception given & the discipline of the school.



We also had the privilege of Gemini TV unit shooting the activities of the school, giving hundreds of viewers the pleasure of watching the programme.

Commitment & Discipline

INVESTITURE CEREMONY



The school Prefectural Board was officially invested on 30th July. The chief guest of the day was Dr. Gangadhar, an eminent scientist. Convener Sri A. Ranga Rao, reminded the students to shoulder the responsibilities with commitment and willingness.



Mast. Vipin Chandra was elected as the new Head Boy and Miss Archana Reddy as the new Head Girl. The new Captains, Vice Captains, Secretaries and Prefects took their oath of office on the same day.

INDEPENDENCE DAY & GRADUATION DAY



The 66th Independence Day celebration was clubbed with Graduation Day Ceremony. The chief guest of the day, Sri A. Vasudeva Rao took the salute. Along with March- Past there were various drill displays of which cycle drill was the cynosure.

Later the Convener of the school Sri A. Ranga Rao gave away the scholarships to the meritorious and deserving students.



THE SCHNEIDER PROGRAM



The Schneider sponsored program "Conserve My Planet", was flagged off on 4th September and continued for a couple of weeks. 10 of our students were selected for a project presentation. Miss. Pavani of 7th class was given a chance to be the leader of the project. She received a memento in the concluding event, while the school received a Participation plaque.

TEACHER AND TAUGHT CAMARADERIE - TEACHER'S DAY

This was the day; the senior most classes waited excitedly to become teachers and teach their juniors. A refreshing day for the students as well as the teachers. It was fun to watch the seniors imagining themselves as their favorite teachers and teach with the same spirit. The teachers were honoured by the students at the end of the day.



“MILE SUR MERA TUMHARA “

On the eve of the Republic day, the school celebrated Annual day with usual festivity. The Chief Guest of the Day was Smt Sudha Kotagiri, Convener, Hyderabad District Mahila Vibhag, Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organizations. The theme of the day was “Mile Sur Mera Tumhara” which beautifully coincided with the National festival, Republic day the next day. The vigor of the songs and the grandeur of the dances inspired the audience immensely. The finale of the function was a dance ballet based on the famous song of the 90s’ “Mile Sur Mera Tumhara” - voiced by legendry singers of yester years. On the whole the programme instilled the spirit of patriotism in the young minds.



Duty

YOUNG ACHIEVERS:



The academic year 2011-12 added a bright feather to our cap. P. Himaja topped with 10/10 GPA followed by M. Likhitha with 9.8/10 GPA. We could outshine the score in 2013 with two students Vipin Chandra & Archana Reddy topping with 10/10 GPA and also 43 students out of 86 appeared, scoring 9.2/10 GPA and above.



Kum. Yaduvani of Class IX won the essay writing competition conducted by "TATA BUILDING INDIA". She was invited along with her parents to Bangalore and was felicitated with a Memento, Certificate and a latest model of Sony Handy cam.

SCI TECH - SAI TECH



The Annual Science fair was inaugurated on 23rd November by Chief Justice Jagannadha Rao, one of the former members of the school governing body.

The theme of the science fair was "Service to Mankind is Service to God". Nearly 550 students from all the classes participated. The exhibits displayed projected the innovative and scientific skills of the students. The science exhibition attracted huge crowds including the parents.



12-12-12 – THE HISTORIC DAY

A gesture of compassion shown by our class-IX students made the day 12-12-12 most memorable. The students visited Gandhi Hospital and distributed fruits, blankets and some clothing to the ailing patients, exactly at 12 noon 12 minutes 12 seconds. They interacted with the patients and consoled them. The next we see all the three numerical in a date is, on January 1st, 2101 i.e. 01-01-01.



Class-X students visited an orphanage in the city where they interacted with the children entertained and distributed gifts. Later they went to the old age home adjacent to the children's home and spent quality time with the seniors.

VISIT TO KURKSHETRA – NATIONAL JUNIOR RED CROSS CAMP

Mrs. Sudhamani and Mr. Mallikarjun, staff members along with 15 students (from classes VIII & IX) attended the National Junior Red Cross camp at Kurkshetra, held between 15th December and 23rd December. Our students competed in events like Quiz, Singing and Dancing. They also visited the Golden Temple at Amritsar and Wagha Border. It was indeed an educational and recreational trip.

DYNAMIC PARENTING WORKSHOP

A three day workshop on Dynamic Parenting was conducted at Shivam from 14th to 16th February by Mr. and Mrs Dev Taneja from Institute of Sri Sathya Sai, Toronto, Canada. Staff members Mrs. J. Lakshmikantha, Mrs. G. Vasudha and Mrs. K. Anjali Rao attended this workshop and had the opportunity of obtaining some guidelines while dealing with the parents.

Devotion



OM VIGHNAHARAYA NAMAHA:

Celebration of Vinayaka Chaturthi has always been a custom in the school. For the past two years the students themselves are shaping the Lord with clay, to suit the campaign – ‘Eco Friendliness’. We fondly call Him as “Eco-Friendly Ganesha”.

BIRTHDAY OF OUR BENEVOLENT LORD:



All through the year, the staff and the students await this day – 23rd November with a feeling of exhilaration and elation. The splendour of the celebrations always enchants the audience and fills their hearts with Devotion for the Lord.

A dance ballet entitled “Rama katha Rasa Vahini” enacted, was a visual treat depicting the entire life story of Lord

Rama. This dance ballet was re-enacted in Shivam on Sri Rama Navami. The audience was simply in raptures, viewing it.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

Birthday of Lord Jesus is a day of veneration every year in our school. Students decorate Christmas tree, sing Carols and enact incidents from the life of Jesus. This year Christmas was clubbed with New Year celebration. It was fun and frolic for the teachers and the students.

SWARANANJALI

We re-dedicate ourselves to the services of the Lord on 24th April by offering a musical tribute. He is all encompassing and not limited to physical frame. We all know that He is guiding our every Thought, every Word, and every Step & Action. The day reassures us that our Lord undeniably is before, beside and behind us and hence, this day is observed as “Aradhana Day”- a day of paying Musical Homage to our Lord. The students sang devotional songs, value songs and Bhajans.

Sundry Events:

- ◆ The school added one more bus for the benefit of the students travelling from Uppal, Ramanthapur areas.
- ◆ Sri Krishnashatami was celebrated with traditional kolattam dance by the girls, recitation Sri Krishnashtakam and bhajans on Krishna.
- ◆ Class -IX students joined a programme called “Mana Desham – Mana Geetham” initiated by NTV.
- ◆ Class-IX students visited the Hyderabad Metro water Work plant and learnt about different stages of water Purification.
- ◆ An extensive reading Programme was introduced for the 5th and 6th grade called ‘DEAR’ (Drop Everything And Read) a very popular concept for improving reading skills among the students practised in the West. In this concept the whole class is provided with books of their level which, all the students read and maintain a record. Basing on its success we plan to extend it to 4th and 7th classes in the next term.
- ◆ In the month of October students of classes 6 to 10 were taken to Secunderabad Railway station to visit “Bio-Diversity” train, as a part of Cop-II program.
- ◆ In the month of November Smt. Neeraja Prasad, Dist Balavikas In-charge, visited the school and narrated her experiences as a student of Swami’s college at Ananthapur and Swami’s interaction with the students and His expectations from them.
- ◆ The class -X students and staff went on an annual pilgrimage to Prashanthi Nilayam on 30th January and returned on 4th February fully rejuvenated.
- ◆ Several workshops were conducted by our Alumni -
 - Rajesh (Gunshe) Ramchandani took lessons in Photography
 - Lt. Colonel Parameshwar shared his experiences of the war front, and leadership skills
 - Dr. Sriram Narasimhan from Canada spoke on realizing one’s dreams.
 - Mr.GV Jagannath, Vice President in Tata Tele Services, enlightened the students on “the power of Common Sense & Observation” and life skills.

Accolades:

- ◆ In September the girls of class-VIII & IX participated in the Inaugural session of the District Games. They were honoured with a shield for their overall performance in the areas - Drill, Patriotic songs, March-past. Most of them have been selected for the State and National Level competitions.
- ◆ Mast. Hari Gopal Krishna of class- IX secured silver medal in chess and got selected for State as well as National levels basing on his points.
- ◆ In weight lifting Kum J. Amulya made us proud by securing a gold medal. There were three silver medals for N.S.S. Anisha, M. Ramya and Praneetha, while A. Sowmya, A. Pravalika, K. Sri Chandana and A. Amarnath secured five Bronze medals.
- ◆ In skating L. Y. Sharma secured Gold and two Silvers at different levels.
- ◆ Cyber Olympiad was conducted for the students in the month of October. Three students were selected for the second level exam. Master P. Adinarayan Reddy of class IV secured 57th rank at the International level and 14th rank at the State level. He also secured 35th State Rank and 47th International Rank in the National Science Olympiad.
- ◆ In the English Olympiad, Mast Viswa Bhaskar of Class-X secured 370th State Rank.
- ◆ In our endeavor to equip the science teachers with trends of “Activity based Teaching of Science”, Mrs. Kiranmayee and Mrs. Raagamanjari went sent to Dharmakshetra, Mumbai to attend a Primary Science Teachers workshop conducted by Institute of Sathya Sai Educare.
- ◆ In the State Level Abacus & Vedic Maths Competitions conducted in Hyderabad, Kum . B. Namitha of class-VI secured 1st Prize, Mast Nandish of class-II and Mast Y. Sandeep of Class-I won 3rd prize in the state.
- ◆ In the Abacus National Junior level exam conducted in the month of November, our student V. Naga Tejaswi of 4th class secured State second place.
- ◆ Master Yudhisthra Sharma of Class-X participated and secured Silver and Bronze medals in the State level competition conducted by Roller Skating Federation of India, for the age group 14 - 16, at Vishakhapatnam on 29th Nov to 1st Dec. He also participated in Skating competitions held by State Level School Games Federation of Andhra Pradesh and bagged Silver and two Bronze medals.
- ◆ In the month of March about 168 students appeared for the Ramanujam Test in Mathematics. 25 students were selected to appear for the second and final level. Meritorious students were awarded with certificates and mementos.
- ◆ In the Andhra Balananda Sangham Competitions Kum.BNS Bhuvanewari won 2nd prize in Kuchipudi , Sisters Swathi and Swetha won Consolation Prizes and Mast Vishnu Teja of Class V secured consolation prize in Fancy Dress competition.

The fragrance of Inflorescence lingers on.....

Assorted Snapshots

