

MGM SALEM ENGLISH SCHOOL, KELAKAM

22nd Annual Report

Honorable Chair, esteemed Chief Guest Sri. Grandhe Saikrishna IAS, other distinguished guests on and of the dias, respected Parents, dear colleagues and my dear children, A warm good evening to one and all.

At the outset, let me welcome you all to our 22nd Annual Day Celebration. I take this opportunity to present the 22nd Annual Report of Mar Gregorious Memorial Shalem Secondary School for the academic year 2024-25 to appraise you of the mission and philosophy that our school has materialized positively and in the day today working and achieving excellence in the field of education.

The main objective of the school is to provide quality modern education predominantly to the rural talented children and to promote National integration.

Our endeavor is to mould our students to be compassionate, progressive and professionally successful human beings responsive to global culture and heritage, in an environment of caring and sharing.

Our school was established in year 2003 in the premises of Shalem church in a simple way. Our School is run and managed by St. Thomas Orthodox Shalem Educational Society. At present, there are 716 students, 33 Teaching Staff and 14 Non-Teaching Staff on the Roll.

Our School got affiliated to CBSE, New Delhi in January 2011 and also obtained the Minority Status from the Minority Commission of India on 26th November 2016.

Management

We have a visionary Management which is very keen in the overall development of the Institution. They take untiring efforts to provide all the required physical and infrastructural facilities to the school. Rev. Fr. Saju Varghese is serving as the Manager of the School, Rev. Fr. Eldho A K as the Administrator of the School, Sri. Vilson P Y as the Trustee and Sri. Thankachan Varappothukuzhi as the Secretary of the Society. We are extremely grateful to the Management Committee for their concrete support and guidance for the successful running of the Institution.

School PTA

Our PTA is a very creative and active school PTA. The new Office bearers of PTA was elected on 15th June 2024 during the first General PTA. Sri. Reji Kannukuzhi and Smt. Amala Rani Mathew were elected as PTA and Mother PTA Presidents. They hold periodical meetings and give their valuable suggestions for the better running of the Institution. We are greatly thankful to our PTA for their creative suggestions and immense support.

Our Faculty

We are blessed with a team of dedicated and committed Teaching and Non-Teaching faculty. Their collective team work and dedicated service make us to accomplish our goals and to conduct various scholastic and co-scholastic activities successfully. Our Staff consists of 33 Teaching Staff & 14 Non-Teaching Staff. Mrs. Asys C R is the present Staff Secretary.

Beginning of Academic Session:

The School was Re-Opened on 3rd June 2024 after the mid summer vacation. The commencement Day was celebrated in a grand manner. H.G.DR.GEEVARGHESE MAR BARNABAS METRAPOLITAN OF SULTHAN BATHERY DIOCESE was the Chief Guest. Freshers were given a warm welcome by the Management, Staff & PTA. The Merit Award ceremony for the Class: X Pass out students were also organized on the occasion. The Toppers in the Board Examination were given Cash Prizes and Mementos. The entire batch of Class X were felicitated during the occasion.

School Parliament Election

Election was conducted to the post of Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy, Deputy Head Girl & Sports Captain following the Parliamentary system. Students moved to the polling station on 26th June 2024 to elect their leaders. They coordinated the entire Election process and did all the polling duties. In the close contested Election, Master. Jossin Joseph Biju of Class X and Kumari. Riya Tes Resti of Class X were elected to the post of Head Boy & Head Girl respectively.

Investiture Ceremony and Clubs Inauguration

Investiture Ceremony and Clubs Inauguration were conducted on 26th July 2024. Mr. Anil Punarjani, a Noted sculpture and Artist was the Chief Guest of the function. The elected School Cabinet members were given Oath of Office by the Principal.

Examination & Assessment

To assess the academic progress of our learners, we conduct 3 Unit Tests, 2 terminal Examinations and Yearly Examination. We follow the continuous Evaluation system as directed by the CBSE. Students are assessed on various Co-Scholastic Areas such as work education, visual and performing arts, health and physical education, life skills, discipline etc.,

Class PTA

Class PTAs are conducted regularly to assess the performance of students in various Scholastic & Co-Scholastic Areas. The valuable suggestions of Parents are being taken in to account for the better performance of Children. Parents are regular and prompt in attending all the Class PTAs. Zero hours are created in the afternoon session for remedial teaching for slow learners. Our teachers take continuous efforts for the academic improvement of weaker student.

Co-Curricular Activities

As envisaged in our mission of holistic learning, we provide ample opportunities to develop the multiple talents of our kids. For this purpose we conduct several co-curricular activity classes on every Wednesday. Regular Practices are given to students by special teachers in various extra curricular activities such as Dance, Karate, Yoga, Sports and Games.

Celebrations:

We celebrate various Festivals, days of National and international importance in our School with due importance. Some of them are Independence day, Environment Day, International Yoga Day, Onam Celebration, Teachers Day, Gandhi Jayanthi, Kerala Formation Day, Children's Day, National Education Day, Constitution day, Christmas etc.,

Reading Week Celebration

Reading week was celebrated from June 19 – June 25 with various activities including Orientation class, Reading competition, Essay Writing, Poster making etc. The reading week was inaugurated by Sri. Unnikrishnan Keecheri, Noted Poet and Teacher. He interacted with students about the importance about reading.

Children's Day Celebration

Children's Day was celebrated on 14th November with various cultural events and competitions for students. A colourful Rally was

conducted to Kelakam Town. Our alumni's who secured National Rowing Championship, Kumari. Annliya Wilson & Anushka Mary were given warm reception and felicitation as part of Children's Day Celebration. The Sub-Inspector of Kelakam Police Station gave away Medals and Certificates to them.

Talent Search Exam

In order to promote the General knowledge of children, we have conducted the Sahodaya Talent Search Examination and PCM Scholarship Examination during this Academic Year. The Sahodaya Talent Exam was conducted on 2nd November 2024 & the PCM Scholarship Examination was conducted on 9th November 2024. More than 100 students secured Scholarships with A1 Grade at the Sahodaya Talent Search Examination and the result of PCM Scholarship Examination has not yet announced.

Deepika Colouring India Competition

The Deepika Daily conducted the colouring India competition on 23rd August 2024. 396 students enrolled for the competition and many of them secured prizes under different categories. They were given Mementos and Certificates.

School Clubs:

To develop Social Skills and to gain leadership and organizational skill, we run various clubs in our school such as Mathematics Club ,English Club, Science Club, Social Science Club, Malayalam Club, Hindi Club, IT Club, Seed Club, Anti Drugs Club, Green Club and Health and wellness club. They organize various programmes and competitions for the students. I appreciate the Teachers Incharge of various Clubs and Club Incharge students for their applaudable works.

The activities of various School Clubs for the Academic Year 2024-2025 was inaugurated by Sri. Anil Punajani, A Noted and Poet and Artist on 26th July 2024 in a well organized function.

School Cultural Fest:

To give maximum exposure to students, and to develop their born and inborn talents, we conduct various competitions at the class level first, and then at the school level. School level fest was held on 31st August 2024. Miss. Anusree, Punnad, a well known folk singer inaugurated the Cultural Fest.

The students who got 1st position at the School Level competition were qualified for the District Level CBSE Sahodaya Cultural Fest. More than 30 students participated at the District Sahodaya Cultural Fest which was held on 24, 25 & 26 October 2024 at various Schools in Kannur. Our Students made amazing performance at the District Cultural Fest and secured Top Grades and positions. Gourinanda K S of Class VIII-A Secured 1st Position with A Grade in Bharatanatyam and 3rd Position with A Grade in Mohiniyattam competitions. Evana Sara Sanju of IV-B secured 2nd Position with A Grade in Folk Dance and Sreya Maria Lijo of Class VII-B Secured 1st position with A Grade in Malayalam Recitation. In addition, 18 students secured A Grade in various competitions. This year 3 students from our school were qualified and selected for the State CBSE Kalotsav which was held on November 12, 13,14,15 in Palakkad. They made remarkable achievements at the state level. Evana Sara Sanju of Class IV-B bagged 1st position with A Grade in Folk Dance LP Section, Gourinanda K S of VIII-A secured 6th Position with A Grade in Bharatanatyam HS and Sreya Maria Lijo of Class VII-B secured A Grade in Malayalam Recitation. They were given warm reception and felicitation in Kelakam Town on the occasion of Shalem Church feast on 15th November 2024.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to these students for their wonderful performance in the Cultural Fest. I also appreciate the Teachers and Parents for their support and motivation.

Sports & Athletic Meet:

Annual Sports and Athletic events were held on 18th October & 21st October 2024. The meet started with Torch Run and Colourful March Fast Ceremony. The meet was officially inaugurated by Mr. M C Kuttichan, Retired Police Inspector and the Director of Peravoor Sports Academy. There were overwhelming participation from students. All the

4 houses performed their best in the Meet. The qualifying students at the school level had attended at the District Sahodaya Athletics Meet which was held on 15, 16 November 2024. An outstanding performance was made by Rohan Thomas Roy of Class VIII by bringing Silver Medal in 400 Mtrs Race. I appreciate all the winners and participants of the Athletic Meet.

Green School Mission

Our School has undertaken the Green and clean mission school programme under the project of net zero carbon project of Kelakam Grama Panchayath. The school was officially declared as Green School on 12th November 2024 by Sri. C T Aneesh, President of Kelakam Grama Panchayath. Green Army was also constituted for the effective monitoring of the project. Green Club was also inaugurated on the occasion. Mrs. Sindhu P T has been appointed as the School Nodal Officer and project Coordinator. Under the Green mission several potted plants were sponsored by Parents, Teachers and Students.

Wayanad Relief and Rehabilitations Fund

The devastating Land Slide disaster that occurred in Mundakai, Chooralmala, Vellarmala and Punjirimattam areas of Wayanad District causing massive loss of human beings and their properties was a heart breaking incident that occurred on 30th July 2024. Hundreds of people got buried and many people were injured and many more were missed and dead. Our Management and PTA made a decision to extend our helping hands to the people affected in the massive Land Slide. An amount of Rs.57,454/- was collected as voluntary contributions from Parents. The fund will be used for supporting the rehabilitation works in the affected area. I sincerely appreciate the Parents for their charity and generous contribution.

Medical Aid

We also collected an amount of Rs. 35,000/- to help a child who has been undergoing treatment.

Adolescence Education and Counseling Session for Students

As part of providing continues awareness for students on various subjects of importance, two separate sessions on adolescence education was organized for the students of UP & HS on 09/12/2024. The session was handled by Dr. Sr.Rincy Augustine, a noted Child Psychologist Counseling sessions were ranged for students on 5th December 2024.

Conclusion:

In abstract, the year 2024-25 has been eventful academic year with remarkable achievements in Scholastic and Co-scholastic areas. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Management Committee, PTA, All the Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff, Parents and all our well wishers who have been strong pillars of support through out, in all our endeavors. Standing by our vision, we would continue to keep reaching for the stars. Once again, thanks to each and everyone of you for being a significant part of this glorious journey.

Let me conclude my report here.

Thank You,