

St. James Academy – CBSE Senior Secondary School, Tiruchirappalli

8th Annual Cultural Unison

Annual Report 2023 -2024

“Every Good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the father of the Heavenly lights”.

We thank the Almighty for the amazing guidance for the past 8 years.

A warm Good evening with pleasure and privilege, I welcome one and all who are here with us this evening. I now present the Annual Report for the year 2023-2024 and hope to take you through our efforts and achievements registered by St. James Academy since the last Annual Day celebration.

St. James Academy was established in the year 2016 and has shown extraordinary growth nourishing about 2138 students as on today from all the sections of society.

The unique characteristic of our education is that the children are like angels to be admired, adored, and easiest in their growth as children of God.

Yes! Academy opens the door to endless possibilities making our dear children fearlessly grab every opportunity.

Globalization has thrown new challenges. They are up in the forefront of making changes happen in the field of education.

St. James Academy along with the committed team of men and women took forward this mission and till today the staff provides quality education.

GLIMPSE OF ACADEMY

We promote our heartfelt gratitude to the parents for your constant support. I proudly place before you the achievement of our students and the progress of our school.

Our Class X 38 students made a remarkable execution of hard work with laudable 100% results in the CBSE board exams 2023.

THE FIRST PLACE WAS HUNTED BY TWIN TREASURES' MISS ANNIE PRISCILLA. A & MISS VAIDORYA V.S. scored 581marks out of 600 with 96.8%. Second place stood by Master **JOHNPAUL.** secured 573 marks out of 600. The third place stood by Master **JHEGADHEESH. S** secured 568 marks out of 600.

CENTUM ACHIEVERS:

3 students

- 1.Miss.Annie Priscilla. A
- 2.Master. Tony Milton .S &
3. Master.Shanmuga Priyan scored 100% in tamil subject

MISS. VAIDORYA. V.S secured centum in Information Technology.

JEE & NEET COACHING:

our school has Integrated with **Chem Solutions** for NEET & JEE competitive Exams .Our Approaches provide a stress-free learning environment and a dual advantage for students, enabling them to excel in competitive exams and produce the best results in the school / board exams. We are happy to announce that K.S. Rahul Kadhira has 92.8 & S. Karthick Raj has 92.5 percentile in JEE. They have raised the bar for the future NIT aspirants. I thank the mentors and parents for helping them to achieve this milestone.

COMPETITIVE EXAMS

“Vision without action is merely a dream, Action without vision just passes the time, but vision with action changes life”.

To ameliorate the teaching-learning process we Academicians focus more on the academics of our students and also to facilitate the students with a competitive spirit. Our students had participated in various Olympiads & IAS Junior Exams.

IN IAS JUNIOR EXAM 2023

- Pavithra. H 6 C secured school level 1st Rank and was awarded with gold medal & certificate.

- Dharshan. B VIII B secured 2nd place and was awarded with silver medal & certificate.
- Bryan Marcus. B VI C & Abdul Jaasim.J VII A secured 3rd place and received Bronze medals & certificates.
- Many of our students participated in International Olympiad Foundation, Mathematics, GK, current affairs, Spell Talent, Reasoning, Aptitude, Computer Science, Hindi & English Olympiads.
- Advika. S from Class 2 was awarded as International Topper. Many of our students received Gold, Silver & Bronze medals.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

St. James Academy endeavours to bring out the best in every student by not only imparting a strong educational foundation but with constant innovation. Teaching values and life skills from the beginning goes a long way in shaping young minds to respond positively to the changes of an ever-changing world to tackle life. Life skills are reinvigorated through soft skill session like **Art Club, Language Club, Math Club, Science Club, Heritage Club & Eco Club** by conducting relevant activities that enable the children to develop their self-esteem, critical thinking, and emotional intelligence.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

“Education without co-curricular activity is like educating the mind without educating the soul”

Co-curricular activities captivate young minds to create a broader vision of life. Our Co-Curricular programs are designed to develop our students to be dynamic and future-ready individuals. Co-Curricular activities in modern education have become an integral part of the curriculum policy and present school life cannot be imagined without Yoga, dance, music, musical instruments, skating, and martial arts like taekwondo and silambam.

Our motive is “Encouraging our students to learn, contribute, manage, and organize individually as well as in teams with maximum participation.

SCHOOL BAND

We initiated School Band training for our students for the instruments like Bass drums, Side drums, Snare drums, Bugle, Maracas, Cymbal, Flute, and Trumpet. Furthermore, through the band program, participants will gain a sense of belonging, teamwork, time management, dedication, self-discipline, leadership, cooperation, and responsibility.

BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES helps in building confidence and self-esteem among the students. Students learn important skills, team building, outdoor adventure, education, and fun. It helps our students discover the world beyond classrooms. Our Scouts & Guides took part in many activities i.e. Jota-Jodi Jamboree 2023, Cook without Fire, Cleaning and Gardening under the guidance of Mrs. Christy, Mr. Suresh Babu, Mrs. Vijidha, and Mrs. Subha.

- For the Academic year 2023-2024 8 Scouts and 5 Guides are selected for **“RAJYA PURASKAR GOVERNOR AWARD -2023**
- **“RAJYA PURASKAR GOVERNOR AWARD CAMP-2023”** was held at Bharat Scouts and Guides Center in Kattur for 3 days. 13 students, Scouts and Guides incharge teachers attended the camp. All the students were selected for Governor award.

NCC (NATIONAL CADET CORPS)

St. Academy provides explosion to the cadets in a wide range of activities with a distinct emphasis on social services discipline and adventure training There are 27 students enrolled as cadets in NCC from classes 8 & 9 under the guidance of Mr. Vivek. On 11th August 2023, NCC was approved by Lieutenant Colonel Ajai Kumar, Sena Medal from Indian Army.

JUNIOR RED CROSS

JRC aims to train our young minds to notice, think, and act .we teach students the value of life and health as well as the importance of respecting human dignity. 25 students are involved in Junior Red Cross activities, under the guidance of Mr. Manirathinam.

PRIDES' OF ST.JAMES ACADEMY

It's a matter of pride and celebrations of dynasties. We believe that success always entails the efforts that are put in making dreams come true and we are happy to showcase our prides.

- The National winner of Veer Gatha 3.0 the Ministry of Defence in collaboration with the Ministry of Education Instituted Project Veer Gatha wherein students under multiple categories portrayed the spirit of patriotism through various art forms. Our student **Miss. Kayalvizhi.J of class 8-A** participated under categories painting and she has done sketching of topic **"Rani Laxmi Bai came into my dream"**. she was one among the top 100 students in the country. In the Veergatha 3.0 Awards portal of India She has received the certificate of excellence and rewarded cash prize of Rs. 10,000/- from the defence minister of India Mr. Rajnath Singh at Delhi and also received special guest pass to the Republic Day. She made our school name eco at Delhi. We are triumph with honor to share about it.
- **Tamil Vendhan of class 8-A** participated in 23rd National Karate Championship-2024. He had secured gold medal in Kumite and silver medal in team kata held at Hariyana. He has been selected for the International meet which is going to be held at the USA.
- **Abinesh of class 9-B & Afra of class 1-B** won great achiever award in many Silambam Competition. She has received young achievers award by Shri Kaveri Kalai near Panpattu Maiyam.
- **Sanjiv Kumar of class III-E** recited 500 Thirukural at a stretch.
- **N.Keerthi Kumar of SKG** has participated in the Live Child Contest held on 18th February 2024 and she has won 4 awards for the categories Hand Writing, Poem recitation, Speech, and storytelling.

CELEBRATIONS & EVENTS

International yoga day

On 21st June 2023 students from classes 3-9 demonstrated various Asanas to enhance our life easiest as in Physically, Mentally and spiritually .

Educational Development Day

On 15th August 2023 class 8 students performed various cultural events to pay respect for the great leader Karma Veerar Kamarajar.

Investiture ceremony

The great event was held on 15th July 2023. The selected leaders were honoured with their House Badges. Captains and Vice captains took an oath to faithfully work for the school.

St. James Feast Day

Our school patron St.James Feast Day was celebrated on 25th July 2023. Holy mass was said by Rev.Fr. Ambrose & Rev. Fr. Thomas, Correspondent. An astonishing performance was given by class 7 students to portray the life of patron St.James.

Independence Day

76th Independence Day celebration was organised by Scouts and Guides incharge teachers on 15th August 2023. Scouts and Guides gave a meaningful programme about freedom fighters.

8th Annual Sports Meet-2023

Sports fest was held on 26th August 2023. The chief guest was Rev.Fr. Baskaran.S

March-past Judge was NG.G. Selvaraj from Indian Army.

The students of the school are divided into 5 different houses Fire, Earth, Sun, Air, and Water. Our students participated under various categories. Students from JKG to Class XII perform various events, Yoga, Silambam, Pyramid and Taek-Won-do. The overall winners trophy goes to Air House and the Runner up trophy goes to WATER house.

Teachers Day

Celebration was held on the 5th of September and assembly was taken over by stimulating 6th students on our school stage with pomp and grandeur. Our students performed various cultural activities like dance, song, recitations, drama, and more. All the Teaching & Non-Teaching were honoured with a gift by Rev.Fr. Thomas. Teachers handling Xth class were bestowed with cash award.

Children's Day and Diwali celebration

The celebration started with lots of enthusiasm and zeal on November 10th to commemorate the birth of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru performed by our tender-hearted class 3 students.

Diwali celebrations also took part on the same day to symbolize the light over darkness. The celebration was led by class 4 & 5 buddies.

Christmas celebration

On 8th December 2023 Christmas celebration was performed by class 1 & 2 Angels spreading the message of love and joy.

Staff Christmas Celebration:

Was held on 22nd December 2023 Our teachers had a fun-filled evening. Our teachers participated in various events like skits, debates, solo singing, group singing, and dance. Christmas gifts were distributed by our correspondent father to Teaching & Non-teaching staff.

Republic Day

Republic Day was celebrated on 26th January 2023 by our NCC students.

CBSE CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

Quality concerns in school education are among the priorities of the Central Board of Secondary Education, as they play a pivotal role in the development of the country. One of the major objectives of the Training Unit of CBSE is to organize various capacity building and empowerment programmes to update the professional competency of teachers.

As a pedagogical initiative, CBSE has introduced Art – Integrated Learning is embedded in class room transactions. It aims to facilitate teachers and principals for implementing Art Education as a pedagogical tool for experiential and joyful learning in class room situation as well as building a joyful learning environment in the school.

The following Teacher Training programmes were organised in our school premises.

On 2nd September 2023, one day Capacity Building Programme for all the teachers on the topic “ Art - Integration learning ” was organised by the Resource persons Dr. A. Benjamin, Principal of Karunya Christian School & Mr. Sarlin, Principal of Vinayaga Vidyalaya School.

On 2nd December 2023, Dr. A. Benjamin organised a career guidance programme for class XII students. He also guided the students with tips for scoring high marks in Board Exam.

On 17th January 2024 Dr. A. Benjamin conducted training session for class X & XII teachers regarding board exam practical & theory exam guidelines.

At regular intervals our teachers are attending offline training programmes in various places. All the teachers are attending monthly online CBSE training programmes

Inter school competitions

- Our students participated in various Inter school competitions and won many rewards and medals. **Alpha Aura** it's a Interschool competition held at Alpha International school. 35 students participated in various events and 15 students won medals and certificates.
- Drawing competition was held at R.C Hr. Secondary School by “**National Green Corps**” 40 students from ECO club participated and 3 students won cash award of Rs. 500/- & certificates.

Educational Visit

Our Class XI students had a field trip to National Institute of Technology (NIT) Thuvakudi, Trichy on 8th March 2024. Our students had an excellent opportunity to witness “Vortex” Event consists of display of robots, guest lectures and by faculty and industry experts. Students visited various departments and labs of former Trichy Regional Engineering College REC.

SPORTS AND EVENTS

National Level

1. **HEERA MAHASRIYA. R** of class VII-B has won a bronze medal in the **Taekwondo National Championship held Rajasthan.**
2. **Safrina Zayan** of s III-E has won a silver medal in the National Level Skating Hockey Tournament held at Chandigarh.
3. **Diza. B.E** of class II D has won 1st place in Karate & 3rd place in Kumite. In the same tournament **Nethra. C** of class V-D **and Kaviya. P** of class VIII-C had won 1st place in Karate and 2nd place in Kumite.

5th SKWF National Level Karate Championship -2023

1. **Mitra. S** of class II-B Sparring 3rd place, Individual 1st place.
2. **Bhuvanesh. P** III-E sparing 1st place, Individual 1st place in National Level Silambam Championship.

State Level

1. **S.G. KrishMitran** of class VII-D had won a Gold medal at the state-level Silambam tournament held at Madurai.
2. **Darshan. B** of class VIII-B won the silver medal in the 34th Tamil Nadu State Taekwondo Championship. He also won a Gold medal in the South Zone Taekwondo competition.
3. **NithyaShree. S** of class XII-A has won a Silver medal in the 94th Senior State Softball Championship.
4. **Ashwin Sabarish Kumar. G** of class XII-B has won 3rd place in the State Level Sub-Junior Feather Tournament.
5. **Frank J Maryon** of class I-A has won 3rd place in the Tamil Nadu State Qwan-Ki-Do Championship.
6. **Remi Mathew.S** of class UVA has won a Silver Medal in the Tamil Nadu Roller Skating Championship.
7. **Kamalesh. M** of class IX has won a Gold Medal in the State Level Yoga Championship.
8. **Dhanushree. G.V** of class VI-B has won 3rd place in the level children & **Samiksha Shree.Sof** class ICRC has won 3rd place in the International Fire Rapid Rating Chess Tournament.

Athlets of St James Academy

Dinesh Kumar. R ,Vijayalakshman, Supash. S. R, Hariharan. V, Harini. V,
Yuganth. K. V , Sivarathishwari. S. R, Aaradhana. R , Vaashini. T, Joshika. T,
Prajan Darius, Sanjana.

Trichy Rock City Sahodhaya School Complex

1. **Samiksha** of class IV-C won the silver Medal & **Dhaksha** of class I-C won the Bronze medal in the Inter CBSE school Chess competition.
2. **Rishmitha** of class IX got the Best Player award under 15 in the Kho-Kho match held at Blossom School - Tanjore.
3. **Afra** of class I-B won the Silver Medal, and **Prateesha** of class IV-C won the Bronze Medal in the Silambam Tournament held at Andavar Public School- Perambalur.
4. **Darshan** of class VIII-B won a Gold medal in the South Zone Taekwondo Championship -2023 and Participated in the National Level Taekwondo held at Noida.
5. The shuttle and Badminton competition was held at MAM CBSE School. Our school boys and Girls participated. Under 15 Girls category **A. Randy Angeline of 9A, and L.Jeevaja of 9A** won the silver medal & under 12 boys category **TharunKasi of 5A, Sharvesh Arjun of 5B & Samsun Anto of 5E** won the Bronze Medal.

World Record

1. **Geolitta. J. C** of class IV-C performed blindfold silambam rotations for 10mts.
2. **Bhairav Gayatri Chahetri** of class V-C **Samiksha Ghathri Chathri** performed rotating silambam sticks continuously for 8 hours with both hands. American Book of Records organized by the World Silambam Federation.
3. **Gayathri** of class V-D **Shivaathir** of class VIII-A **Vihasini** of class VI-C & **Dharanya** of class VI World Record Classical dance.
4. **Krishna** of class III-C world record participation was awarded the “**NatyaSirpam Award** ” in classical dance.

5. **Madesh of class VII B, S.L. Parishma** of class VIII-C, **Prateesha** of class IV-C, **KrishMithran. S. G** of class VII-D, **Srihariharan** of class VII-B, **Jaswin Rosario** of class V-C, **Afra** of class I-B & **Desna** of class V-E - 1-hour world record "ThalaiVetti" in Silambam held at SanthanamVidhyalaya.
6. **Mahamaya** of class VI-B, 33mts 33sec rotating silambam largest silambam record organized by Guinness World Record Organizations.

A Boutique of Gratitude

I sincerely thank the Almighty for giving me yet another opportunity to present the Annual Report for the year 2023-2024 for this prestigious school.

Before I conclude the report I humbly acknowledge the encouragement and positive energy that is given by everyone. I take this opportunity to thank our parents who have shown unflinching faith in us by giving us the profound opportunity to transform their children into truly useful citizens of the future world.

Finally I crown up the annual report by saying a proverb "A tree is known by its Root. Let me conclude by asserting **A tree is known by its fruits.**

Thank you ! Praise the Lord !