## Annual Report 2024-2025

#### Bible Verse:

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace."

- 1 Peter 4:10

"Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together."

## "Good Evening and a warm welcome to Everyone gathered here

It is with great pride and honour that we, St. James Academy, present the Annual Report for the academic year 2024–2025.

This moment is not only a celebration of our collective achievements but also a reflection on the milestones and innovations that have shaped our journey.

There have been many changes in the school this year in terms of high expectations, communication skill, professional development and technology.

This year has been a very eventful one for us. We have made great efforts to transform ourselves completely into the CBSE's updated curriculum and scheme of assessment. We have been extremely successful in most of our endeavours apart from preparing the students to qualify for academic, Special efforts are being made at regular intervals to enable them to face the challenges of society.

Ready to journey back and unfold the tapestry of our achievements. Let us commence the countdown to unveil the heights of St James Academy as a Senior Secondary school.

Our humble beginnings in 2016, "From the year of inspection to our present stature as a full-fledged educational institution with an enrolment of 1,943 students, the progress we have made over the past nine years has been truly remarkable."

This report showcases the achievements in academics, co-curricular activities, and character development—under the dynamic leadership of our Correspondent, Rev. Fr. S. Joseph, and the tireless efforts of our Principal Mrs.Jaqueline Immaculate,faculties and support staff.

Yet, this is not the end—it is merely the beginning. The past nine years have laid a strong foundation, preparing us to soar higher. As we move ahead, we remain glided by our motto: "Fully Alive, Fully Human."

#### **Vision & Mission**

Good evening It is indeed a moment of immense honour and fulfillment as we gather to commemorate the Annual Day of St. James Academy—a celebration of growth, excellence, and shared purpose.

At St. James, we envision an education that transcends textbooks and examinations. Our commitment is to holistic development, fostering not only intellectual brilliance, but also emotional intelligence and self discipline. We endeavour to cultivate individuals who are not only learned but also compassionate, resilient, and ethically grounded.

Thank you for your unwavering support as we continue this noble pursuit of excellence in education. May we journey ahead with purpose, pride, and perseverance.

# **Leadership and Administration**

Our mission remains steadfast—to mold value-driven leaders, equipped to navigate a complex world with integrity, wisdom, and a global perspective.

# **Taking Over Charge**

On June 6, 2024, Rev. Fr. S. Joseph officially stepped into the position of Correspondent.

The occasion was honoured by our outgoing Correspondent, Rev. Fr. S. Thomas, whose leadership saw the institution grow from modest roots to a well-established

academy. The ceremony was graced by dignitaries including Rev. Fr. Vicar General L. Anthuvan, Rev. Fr. James Selvanathan, and Rev. Fr. Antony Ramesh.

## **Beacons of Hope**

Rev. Fr. S. Joseph – **Correspondent**: A visionary leader who fosters academic excellence and moral strength.

Ms. J. Jacqueline Immaculate – **Principal**: A symbol of wisdom, empathy, and integrity.

## **Deputy Principals:**

This academic year marks a new chapter in our journey, as we welcome two esteemed individuals to the newly instituted role of Deputy Principal.

Ms. A. Josephine Voyola Sharmi – A compassionate educator committed to students' holistic well-being.

Alongside Ms. I. Jaculin Suganya – A mentor of strength and collaboration, well-respected for her teaching excellence.

Ms. Umeshwari, our dedicated Staff Secretary, has efficiently coordinated staff activities and communication throughout the year.

# We have energetic Academic Coordinators, for Grade wise

• Pre-Primary: Ms. Agnes Nancy

• Nursery: Ms. Sowmiya & Ms. Arokiya Leoni

• Primary: Ms. Sumithra

• Middle School: Mr. Martin Louis

• Secondary: Ms. Antony Allin Bagaya

• Senior Secondary: Mr. Manirathnam.

who work tirelessly behind the scenes planning, guiding, and ensuring excellence in every step.

## **Special Educators**

Ms. Vino Gracy and Ms. Hawwa Aafia provide invaluable support to students with diverse learning needs, ensuring that every child is seen, supported, and empowered.

## **Faculty & Support Staff**

Our school family comprises 99 dedicated educators and a committed team of non-teaching staff, working hand in hand to foster a nurturing and disciplined learning environment. We are also supported by compassionate caretakers who attend to the needs of our youngest learners and students with special needs.

#### **Academic Achievements**

#### Class XII - Board Examination Results - 2023-2024

For Classes X and XII, we also have monthly tests and revision exams that guide us step by step toward our board exams, helping us overcome fear and face challenges with courage.

We are proud to acknowledge the exceptional academic achievements of our Class X & XII students in the board examinations held at 2023-2024

Top Performers of Class XII

- Ranjana has secured the top position with a commendable score, 475/500 reflecting her academic excellence across all subjects.
- Harini P has achieved second place with remarkable scores,457/500 showcasing her strong subject proficiency and commitment to learning.
- Surya V has earned the third position holding 447/500 with consistent performance.

**Our Class X 2023-2024 batch** students have also shown remarkable achievements in the board examinations, securing top positions with outstanding marks.

Kishore Kumar L haunted first place with an exceptional score of 582/600

Sri Varshini R secured second place with a laudable 576/600.

Anbu Malar P secured 561/600 Third place with excellent performance.

#### Class X

We are proud to recognize the students who achieved full marks in individual subjects.

Anbu Malar P
Jaydon Infant I
Kishore Kumar L
Arif Ahmadh J secured Centum in Tamil and
Sri Varshini R. In IT.

## Academic Excellence for Class X & XII for the Academic year (2024-2025)

"Success is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure."

- Colin Powell

## Class XII (2025)

In the Class XII Board Examinations, Angus Vivilian and Krithika Alamelu emerged as top rankers, each scoring 470 out of 500, followed by Annie Priscilla, who secured the second position with an impressive 467 out of 500. They stood as a shining testament to the spirit of fellowship.

In Class X, Janice topped the batch with a remarkable score of 587 out of 600. The second position was secured by Chinthamani, who delivered a laudable performance with 582 out of 600, while Evangeline Felcy stood third with 570 out of 600. They exemplified the true spirit for their juniors.

The highlight of this academic year was a 100% pass rate, with 3 students scoring a perfect 100 in Tamil(Vetrivel, Dharshan & Kalil Zibran) and 4 students achieving full marks in Computer Science(Janice, Lithika, Vetrivel & Janice).

#### A Year of Growth and Advancement

## **Digital Wellness Initiative**

Under the guidance of Rev. Fr. S. Joseph, and with the support of Ms. Sagaya Priya, Ms. Ruby ChristyMs.Amala Jesintha, and Mr. Richard, we launched a digital campaign promoting healthy habits. With over 470 informative videos and 350 prize-winning participants, this initiative brought awareness and engagement to new heights.

The academic year witnessed notable infrastructural advancements at St. James Academy.

#### Founder's Hall

The newly constructed Founders Hall now serves as a modern, multipurpose venue for orientations, workshops, and cultural programmes. To advance 21st-century learning, three modern E-learning have been set up, each equipped with interactive smart boards and fully upgraded computer labs."

, and advanced Physics and Chemistry labs.

## Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) Initiatives

This academic year witnessed significant progress in the functioning of the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), as parents and teachers collaboratively worked towards enhancing student welfare. The PTA played a pivotal role in fostering a positive and cooperative relationship between the school and families, thereby strengthening the support system for students' holistic development.

# <u>Assembly</u>

A common assembly was organized for students of Classes 12th -8th, centered around the theme of "Uplifting Student Discipline." This program aimed to instill values of responsibility, respect, and self-regulation among students, reinforcing the importance of discipline as a cornerstone of academic and personal success.

#### **Innovations and Infrastructure**

#### <u>Lift</u>

As part of our ongoing commitment to inclusivity, a lift facility has been installed to support students with mobility needs, ensuring barrier-free access across the campus.

## **On-campus Dispensary:**

Operated in collaboration with KMC, Trichy, the medical room is staffed with a nurse and a visiting doctor to attend to students during medical emergencies.".

**New Compound Wall:** Featuring our school's name and emblem, symbolizing pride and identity.

<u>A digital LED display</u> has been introduced to offer parents a glimpse of daily school activities and to celebrate our birthday stars with their photos prominently featured.

#### K.G Block

Completing this phase of development is **the St. Joseph Kindergarten Block**, comprising 8 vibrant and student-friendly classrooms designed to nurture our early learners in a safe and engaging space.

## **Students Enrichment Programmes**

At St. James Academy, we encourage students to take part in various external examinations and academic initiatives to broaden their knowledge and gain exposure beyond the classroom.

# SAFAL Exam (Structured Assessment for Analyzing Learning)

Conducted as per CBSE guidelines, SAFAL helps assess students' understanding in core subjects through skill-based and competency-focused questions.

#### **IAS Junior Exam**

This competitive exam is conducted to develop general knowledge, logical thinking, and awareness in young learners aspiring to take up civil services in the future.

## **Olympiad Exams**

Our students actively participate in national-level Olympiads in subjects like Mathematics, Science, English, and Computer Science, sharpening their analytical and problem-solving skills.

#### **CBSE** programs

To nurture literary creativity and language skills, the Budding Authors Program is introduced for young writers. Through engaging activities like story writing, reading expression, and participation in the Reading Mission from the CBSE portal, students are encouraged to develop a deep love for reading and storytelling. This initiative empowers students to express their thoughts confidently and creatively, laying the foundation for strong communication and imaginative thinking.

#### Co-curricula and Club Activities

At St. James Academy, we believe in nurturing every child's talents beyond the classroom by co-curricula and Club Activities These sessions help students explore their interests, build confidence, and develop new skills.

**Martial Arts**: Training is provided in Taekwondo and the traditional Indian art of Silambam, promoting discipline.

**Music:** Students receive vocal training and learn to play a variety of instruments including the Keyboard, Flute, and Guitar, enhancing their musical expression and creativity.

**Dance:** Opportunities in both Classical and Western dance forms help students explore cultural diversity.

**Indoor Games:** Strategic thinking and concentration are developed through Chess sessions.

**Outdoor Skills:** Physical fitness and coordination are boosted through Skating, which also instills balance and confidence.

#### **Club Activities**

Club activities are held on the first Saturday of every month, offering students a platform to explore their interests and talents beyond the classroom. Various clubs such as the Language Club, Science Club, Math Club, Eco Club, Personality Development club, Art club and Heritage Club are conducted under the guidance of a team of dedicated and well-equipped teachers. These clubs are carefully planned

grade-wise to ensure age-appropriate learning. Each session encourages hands-on experiences, creative thinking, and collaborative learning, nurturing curiosity and a love for exploration among students.

## **Student Empowerment through Citizenship Clubs**

To nurture leadership qualities, instill discipline, and develop a strong sense of social responsibility, our school actively engages students in various citizenship programs across all levels.

In middle school, Scouts and Guides further reinforce these values through structured activities and community engagement. At the secondary level, students participate in NCC (National Cadet Corps), NGC (National Green Corps), and JRC (Junior Red Cross)—each fostering patriotism, environmental awareness, and humanitarian service.

Through these vibrant platforms, we aim to shape confident, conscious, and committed citizens of the future.

## Workshops, Training Sessions & CBSE Webinar Presentations

At St. James Academy, continuous professional development is a key priority. Several workshops and training sessions were conducted during the academic year 2024–2025 to enhance teacher competencies, support curriculum delivery, and promote a student-centered learning environment.

# 1. Life Skill and Mental Well-being Workshops

19th of October.2024 – A Life Skill Awareness Workshop was conducted by the faculty of Kauvery Hospital, focusing on emotional intelligence, first aid awareness, and daily wellness practices.

5th of October 2024 – A session on Mental Well-being was led by Rev. Fr. Ramesh, addressing emotional balance, stress management, and psychological support for teachers and students.

#### 2. In-House Skill Enhancement Sessions

**Smart Board Training –** Practical sessions organized by the Computer Science faculty to empower teachers with the skills to effectively integrate smart board technology into their classroom delivery, enhancing digital pedagogy.

A session on **Mental Well-being** was conducted by Ms. Vino Gracy and Ms. Hawwa Afia, aimed at equipping teachers with strategies to support students with disabilities. The workshop focused on the role of a facilitator in creating an inclusive and empathetic learning environment.

#### 3. CBSE Webinar Presentation Sessions

CBSE Offline Webinar – Faculty members attended official CBSE webinars and later shared key learnings with peers through internal presentations.

## **Learning Outcomes & Pedagogies**

Presented by: Mr. Antony Stanislaws V, Ms. Logeshwari R, Ms. Vijay Laxmi M, Ms. Aruna S, Ms. Beulah Grace G, Ms. Steffila R

#### **Assessment & Evaluation Practices**

Presented by: Ms. Sophie A, Ms. Rajalakshmi S, Ms. Sagaya Priya J

## Use of Artificial Intelligence in Classrooms

Presented by: Ms. Henrita Sebastina A, Ms. Annasuganya G

## Storytelling as a Pedagogical Tool

Presented by: Ms. Annie Jenifer S, Ms. Shiney Spiritus J, Ms. Subha G

# Mathematics Subject Training Sessions 2 days workshop attended by our math faculties

10th of April 2025: Ms. Joice G and Ms. Sathiya D 18th & 19th of April 2025 Ms. Rajalakshmi S and Ms. Sathiya D

21st of June 2025: Ms.Anjugam.N & Ms Daisy Emalda attended a Workshop on the topic Art Integrated teaching held at Orchard School ,K.K Nagar

These programmes collectively enhanced the knowledge base of our teachers, promoted best practices in pedagogy, and prepared the staff to meet academic goals with innovation and care.

#### **Celebrations & Events**

## "A thankful heart is the parent of all virtues."

At St. James Academy, we celebrate every event with joy and purpose, organizing them grade-wise to ensure maximum student participation. We take pride in upholding the values of gratitude, respect, and excellence, always remaining thankful to our parents, mentors, and well-wishers who have guided our path. Honouring them as Chief Guests and Guests of Honour is a tradition we cherish. Each celebration stands as a testament to the milestones we've reached and the memories we've created, reflecting our commitment to nurturing confident, compassionate, and creative individuals.

## <u>Investiture Ceremony</u> -

The Prefectorial Board took oath, embracing responsibility and leadership. Students accepted their badges with honour, prepared to serve with dignity and courage.

# **Educational Development Day-**

Commemorating the legacy of K. Kamaraj, our students engaged in speeches, skits, quizzes, and a documentary highlighting his contribution to education.

# St. James Feast Day – July 25,

A solemn Holy Mass was offered by Most Rev. Dr. Arokiya Raj Savrimuthu, followed by a cultural programme highlighting the virtues of our patron, St. James.

# 9th Annual Sports Day-

Themed "Redeem and Replenish," our Sports Day celebrated resilience and teamwork.

# Champions

Winner. : Fire House Runners-Up: Air House

# **Independence Day-**

The 78th Independence Day was celebrated with great pride and patriotism at St. James Academy. The event began with the hoisting of the national flag by the Chief Guest, followed by the singing of the national anthem.

## **Teachers' Day Celebration**

Teachers' Day was celebrated with respect and joy as students expressed their gratitude through speeches, performances, and handmade cards. A special assembly was conducted to honour the dedication and hard work of our teachers.

#### **Diwali Celebration**

Diwali was celebrated with festive spirit and enthusiasm. Students took part in cultural programmes, diya decoration, and shared messages on the importance of celebrating an eco-friendly Diwali.

## **Children's Day Celebration**

Children's Day was filled with fun and excitement. Teachers organized games, cultural performances, and surprise activities, making the day memorable for the students.

## Students' Christmas Celebration

The school echoed with joy and carols during the Students' Christmas Celebration. Students staged a nativity play, sang carols, and shared the message of love, peace, and giving.

#### **Staff Christmas Celebration**

The Staff Christmas Celebration was a time of togetherness and gratitude. Staff members exchanged gifts, shared festive wishes, and participated in joyful activities, strengthening the spirit of fellowship.

## **Pongal Celebration**

Pongal was celebrated traditionally, with students and staff dressed in cultural attire. The event included staff Pongal preparation, traditional dances, and speeches on the festival's significance.

## **Republic Day Celebration**

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour. The national flag was hoisted.

## **Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony**

The little graduates, dressed in their caps and gowns, proudly received their certificates amidst smiles, cheers, and warm wishes from parents and teachers.

## Annual Sports Achievements Report 2024-2025 @ St. James Academy

This academic year 2024 to 2025 has been remarkable in terms of sports excellence. Students have showcased exceptional talent and determination by participating in various competitions at the district, state, national and international levels and bringing laurels to the institution.

#### **International Level Achievements**

Tamilventhen. R (X) –achieved 1st place in 12th Open International Karate Tournament (Sri Lanka)Won Gold and Two Silver Medals

## **International Silambam Championship**:

- Shri Ramesh. J (VII) 3rd place (Individual category)
- Pratheeksha (V) 1st place (Individual category)
- Srihariharan (IX) 2nd place (Individual category)
- Diza. B. E (IV) 3rd place in Individual category, 1st in Sparring
- Harra Manikandan (VII):Participated in International Level Maths Olympiad (Dubai) among 1500 students from India and abroad and also won the National Young Ramanujam Award.

#### **National Level Achievements**

- Kamalesh (XI A) 3rd place in National Level Yoga Championship
- Remi Mathew (VI) Gold medal in National Level Skating Hockey at Coimbatore
- Safina Zayn (V) Silver medal in same
- Shri Ramesh. J (VII) Gold in National Silambam Championship (Single Stick)
- Matheesh (IX) Bronze medal (Single Stick at Chennai)

# **CBSE National Participation in Taekwondo**

• B. Dharshan (X) captured Gold and Haunted Silver in CBSE South Zone Takewondo Championship.

• Yaadhira Manikandan (III D) – participated in the National Olympiad and earned the Young Ramanujam Award.

#### **State Level Achievements**

- Kamlesh (X) 3rd place in Yogasana Sports Championship
- K.J. Afrah (III) Gold in State Level Silambam (individual event)
- Samiksha Shree (V D) 2nd place in State Level Chess
- Maria Josephine. M (IX) 1st in Double Stick and Long Stick in Silambam
- Sanjana (VII E) 2nd place in State Level Boxing at Chennai
- Harini (III) 2nd place in Sub-Junior Dance Competition at Chennai.
- Dhanu Shri. G.V (VIII) participated in 2 State Championships and was awarded a Gold and 2 silver medals.

#### **District Level Achievements**

#### **Athletics:**

- A. Shruthi (IX) 1st place in Javelin
- T. Yogadharshini (X) 3rd place in 600m running
- Sanjana C (VI) 3rd place in Relay and Long Jump
- P. Kanishka (VIII) 2nd place in 100m
- T. Vaishnavi (VII) 1st place in Relay

#### Taekwondo:

- Yaazhini. B (VII) Gold medal in Trichy District Level Taekwondo Competition
- Hanish (VII) ,Santhosh Sowmiyan (VII) and Sri Sai Dharshan (II) Silver and Bronze in district chess championships

#### Karate:

• Franc J Maryan – Bronze medal in Trichy District Karate Championship

#### Chess:

Jazeel Ahmed (IX B) – 1st place in District Chess Tournament

# **Kickboxing Tournament**

- Jessica Sri (VII D) 3rd place
- Krishanth (VII A) 1st place

#### **NCC Achievements**

Pradeep Kumar. N (XI) – 1st place in Firing competition.

## **Drawing & Cultural**

Dharanya (VIII C) – 1st place in Classical Dance.

#### **World Records**

- Gayathri of class 7 and
- Roshini Infant of class 5 were awarded world record participation in Bharathanathiyam and Carnatic vocals out of 1000 artists at Tiruchendur.
- K.J. Afrah of class 3 -Honoured with இளம் சாதனையாளர் விருது
  மற்றும் கலைஞர் விருது.And too Secured notable achievements in the
  Fencing Competition.

#### SILAMBAM WORLD RECORD

A new world record was set for performing Silambam stick rotation blindfolded for 1 hour. The record was recognised by the World Silambam Youth Federation, India Silambam Youth Federation, and Tamil Nadu Silambam Youth Federation.

## Our proud Participants are:-

- Anamika D of class V
- Andriya D of classX
- Jarron Samuel W of class VII
- Mahanth V
- Hari Prasath -II
- Bhairav Ghathri Chetri VII &
- Samiksha Ghathri Chetri V

#### **Scouts and Guides**

The Bharat Scouts and Guides Diamond Jubilee And Muthamil Aringar Doctor Kalaingar Centenary Jamboree was held at SIPCOT, Manaparai Village, from 28th January 2025 to 3rd February 2025. This International event brought together 25,000 Scouts, Guides and Leaders from India and 86 other countries.

With the Theme: "Empowered Youth, Developed India"

The honour of participating in this prestigious event was taken over by Mohammad Asrath,Pranav Joel, and Krish Mithran representing our school.

## Celebrating our Rajya Puraskar Award Achievers

#### **Scouts**

- 1. S.Mithlez Miltan Joel of class IX.
- 2. R.Remejius of class VIII
- 3. S.D.Daya Shankar of class VIII
- 4. S.G.Srijan of class VIII
- 5. S. Pranav Joel of class VIII
- 6. E.Tennyson Jude of class VIII
- 7. M Mohammad Arshad of class VIII

#### Guides

- 1. A.Aneesa of class VIII
- 2. R.K Hanshika of class VIII
- 3. G.V. Shrutika of class VIII

These achievements are a testament to the holistic development of our students. St. James Academy is proud of each participant for their hard work, perseverance, and commitment to excellence. We extend heartfelt congratulations to all achievers and wish them greater success in the years to come.

#### **Conclusion**

I am highly grateful to the Almighty for the shower of blessings I feel an immense sense of gratitude for the St.James Academy Management, dedication of our staff, especially the you tube team, for the enthusiasm of our students, and the splendid support of our parents and well-wishers.

**We walk with pride, yet humbly —** always remembering where we began, and always honouring the values that shape our path."

As we look back with gratitude and forward with confidence, let us carry the lessons, memories, and momentum into a bright future with promise and purpose.

"Behind every great achiever is a story of hard work and countless study sessions . Be $\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$
the author of your own success.
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