

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2015 – 2016

Annual Day is a time for rejoicing, reflection and resolution. 2016 is a milestone year for us marking the completion of a glorious 40 years in serving the cause of education. As we set foot into the fifth decade we take pride in tracing our journey and presenting a fleeting glimpse of our rich past.

Tracing the Past

Starting with a great vision in June 1976, our visionary management created an environment which inspired focused and committed effort, encouraged innovation and enterprise, where 'Excellence' was the watchword.

The first decade of our existence saw the foundation being laid, not just for buildings but also for realizing our goals and objectives. The fruition of our effort was evidently seen in the mid eighties with the first few batches of our class XII and X doing exceedingly well in the CBSE Board exams and a few of our students securing a place among the top three ranks at the national level. In 1986, the school was granted permanent affiliation by the CBSE. **The second decade** was characterized by strong growth and development and soon the school established a formidable reputation as an institution of academic excellence. **The third decade** saw a consolidation of our growth. Starting in the mid nineties and continuing to this day, the name and fame of the school spread across the globe with our students winning laurels in academics, debating and sports in international contests

Our extraordinary achievements surpassed all expectations. This issue of our annual report is a humble attempt to encapsulate our outstanding achievements in the last four decades.

Staff Recognition:

Awards

- Three successive Principals of the school are recipients of the coveted **National Award to Teachers** from the President of India
 - Mrs. K Alamelu 1990
 - Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Srivatsan 2002
 - Mrs. Laskhmi Srinivasan 2013
- Dr. Revathy Parameswaran, Vice Principal, HOD Maths is a Distinguished Fulbright Scholar. She is also the recipient of 'Best Teacher Award from Srinivasa Ramanujam Academy of Maths and Global Teacher Award by the British Council.
- Mr. K. Kalidasan, HOD. P.E.D is the recipient of NDTV Best Teacher Award for excellence in Sports in 2012.
- Dr. S. Venkatraman, HOD, Art Department is the recipient of NDTV Award for Best Teacher in 2015.

Participation in International Programmes :Academic

- Mrs Lakshmi Srinivasan attended a full time intensive course of 12 weeks in Syllabus Design and Materials Writing as part of the CBSE Project-British council's ODA at 'The College of St Mark and St John' Plymouth, England from 22nd January to 14th April 1989.

- Dr. (Mrs.) Revathy Parameswaran, PGT Maths, attended the International Congress on Mathematics Education in Seoul and presented a paper on 'The Role of Examples in Mathematics and its Relevance to School Education' in the year 2012.
- Dr. (Mrs.) Revathy Parameswaran, Vice Principal, participated in the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching (DFAT) Programme at the College of Education at the University of Maryland, USA from August to December 2013.

Students Academic achievements :

International Olympiads

We are happy to share with you that 16 of our students represented the country in International Olympiads and won medals

Subject	Year	Name	Medal
Mathematics	1995-1996	Sumankar Shankar	Silver Medal (Toronto, Canada)
	1999-2000	Aravind Narayanan	Silver Medal (Bucharest, Romania)
Biology	1999-2000	S.Ashok	Silver Medal (Antalya, Turkey)
	2001-2002	Sruti Srivatsan	Bronze Medal (Jurmala, Latvia)
	2002-2003	Srivats Madhavan	Bronze Medal (Minsk, Belarus)
	2004-2005	Anand Venkatraman	Gold Medal (Beijing, China)
	2007-2008	P G Nandan	Silver Medal (Mumbai, India)
Chemistry	2001-2002	Arjun Krishnan	Bronze Medal(Groningen, Netherlands)
	2002-2003	V.Aravindan	Gold Medal (Athens, Greece)
	2002-2003	B.Vikram	Silver Medal (Athens, Greece)
	2005	G Karthik	Silver Medal (Taipei, Taiwan)
Informatics	2006	S.Swarun K umar	Bronze Medal.(Merida, Mexico)
	2007	B Venkatesh	Represented India (Zagreb, Croatia)
	2009	V Prashant	Silver Medal (Bulgaria)
	2014	Prashant Mahesh	Bronze -Asia-Pacific Informatics Olympiad
Astronomy and Astrophysics	2014	Shruthi Sridhar	Silver Medal (Suceava,Romania)

In addition to the above, several of our students were selected to attend the National Olympiad Training Camp for the selection for International Olympiads.

Outstanding Achievements (Co-scholastic)

Asia Pacific Scout Jamboree

- V Shankar of Class XI (1992), a Rashtrapathi Scout represented India at the Asia Pacific Jamboree in Japan

International Youth Exchange Programme

- Three of our students were selected to visit Japan as a part of Japan – East Asia Network of Exchange for students and Youth programme of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (JENYSYS)

Year	Name
2008-2009	Ravi Kiran Ramaswamy and Nandita Bhaskar
2009-2010	Varun Dwarkanathan

TCS IT WIZ Quiz-National

Year	Name	Place
2013	S. Abhinav of Class XI and Bharath Sivakumar of Class XII.	National Runner Up
2014	S. Abhinav of Class XII and Arjun Aravind of Class XI.	Mega Final Winners

CBSE National Science Exhibition

- Our team represented by R. Hari (XIA) and Venkatakrisnan Sutharshan (XIA) emerged winners in the CBSE National Science Exhibition held at Blue Bells Group of Schools, Gurgaon, Haryana from 22.04.2015 to 25.04.2015.

Sports

- **V. Tejas Ravichandran** – Commonwealth Chess Championship (2008)
Boys Under-14 – Gold Medal

World Youth Chess Championship 2009
- **N. Vidya** – Table Tennis State Champion in Junior Girls Category ,
Women State Ranking No.2
- **CH.Anjani Rashmitha** represented India as a member of the US sponsored India–Pakistan Girls Soccer Sports Visitors Program organized by ‘The U.S.Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs’.
- **R.Adhithi** represented India in the World Cup 2015 qualifying round held at Dacca from 14.10.2014 to 23.10.2014

From the Past to the Present

We are happy to present the highlights of our achievements in the year 2015-16.

AISSCE RESULTS - Class XII

Total No. of Candidates Appeared: 122 - Pass Percentage: 100%

S Preethi topped the Science Group with a total of 481 / 500. (96.2%)

S Vidhyathmika topped the Commerce Group with a total of 481 / 500. (96.2%)

107/122 Students have secured more than 80% out of which 22 students have secured 94% and above.

LIST OF SCHOOL SUBJECT TOPPERS

SCIENCE GROUP

Subject	Name of the Topper	Toppers Mark	Number of A1'S
English Elective C	Arjun Suresh	97	32/73
Mathematics	Seshasayi R	99	26/73
Physics	V Pushpalatha	96	34/73
Chemistry	Yash R Patil	99	36/73
Biology	Arjun Suresh	99	11/16
Computer Science	N G Viswesh	98	9/31
Informatics Practices	N Mahesh	99	11/26
	Mukund Krishnan S		
	S Preethi		
Physical Education	T Pradhyumna	82	

COMMERCE GROUP

Subject	Name of the Topper	Toppers Mark	Number of A1'S
English Elective C	V Shilpa	97	23/49
	Vedantha Sai	99	21/40
Mathematics	A Janani		
Business Studies	A Janani	97	28/49
	L J Mukund		
	S Vidyathmika		
Accountancy	A Janani	97	33/49
	L J mukund		
	ShrudhI S		
Economics	S Vidyathmika	98	29/47
Marketing	Vedantha Sai	99	2/9
Informatics Practices	Akshay Srinivasan	95	1/2

CLASS X – AISSE 2016

Total Strength – 173 Pass Percentage -100%

39 of class X students have secured 10 CGPA. 132/173 have secured grades A1 and A2.

The details of Grade wise performance are listed below.

CGPA RANGE	GRADE	NO OF STUDENTS
10	A1	39
9.2-9.8	A1	43
8.2-9	A2	50
7.2-8	B1	29
6.2-7	B2	11
6	C1	1

RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

School Award :

- P S Senior Secondary School was awarded the Guru Vandana 2016 Academic Excellence award for achievement and dedication in the field of education by Mantra Events. The award function was held in Naradagana Sabha on 29/01/2016. Dr. Revathy Parameswaran, Vice Principal received the award on School's behalf

Staff Recognition :

- Dr Revathy Parameswaran participated in the 13th International Congress on Mathematical Education 2016 held at the University of Hamburg from 24th to 31st July 2016, and presented a paper on the theme “Formative Assessments in Classrooms in the Indian context”.
- Mr. K Kalidasan has been awarded 'Jeeva Jyothi Award in Physical Education' for the year 2016 by Dr.S.Navaraj Chellaiah Charitable Trust

OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

NATIONAL LEVEL:

NTSE

- **A Paravindakshan XIA is the recipient of the prestigious NTSE merit scholarship.**

MATHS OLYMPIAD (REGIONAL):

- **N.K.Ajay Krishnan** of class XI and **Avinash Karthik** of class X have emerged winners in the Regional Maths Olympiad held in December 2015.

ADMISSION TO PROFESSIONAL COURSES

- Several of our students have secured admission in reputed colleges of Engineering, Medicine, Law and Commerce. Some have secured admission in reputed universities in the U.S.A and Australia.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS- CO-SCHOLASTIC AREAS

The true measure of a school's co-scholastic programme is its participation and meritorious performance in interschool activities. In the last academic year our students participated in nearly hundred inter-school events covering a wide range of talent areas and won several prizes. The details of a few commendable achievements at the district / national level are given below:

INTERNATIONAL-Debating Contest

- **Anirudh Satish and Guhan Kallapiran** of Class X were selected to participate in the International World Scholar's Cup Global Round event held during 26th to 30th June 2016 at Bangkok. Students from over 40 countries took part in the event. Anirudh Satish and Guhan Kallapiran have qualified for the finals to be held in Yale University, USA during November, 2016.

NATIONAL

CBSE Expression Series

Creative Writing

- Shashank Venkatachari of Class VIII won a Prize in the CBSE Expression Series on Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya held by CBSE from 25th September to 27th September, 2015.
- C Sriram of Class II C won a Prize in the CBSE Expression Series on Shri Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay held by CBSE from 27th June to 28th June, 2016.

Fine Arts

- K Sahana of Class IX has been awarded Navodit kalakar puraskar 2015 in the 60th All India Competition of Music and Dance Gopikrishna National Award Function conducted by all India Artists Association on 17/10/2015
- Shruthe Raammohan, XII C, has been selected to be a part of a unique dance production on Bhakta Meera, choreographed by Mrs Chitra Visweswaran and music composed by Mrs. Bombay Jayashree

Quiz

- Rotary Club of Kilpauk along with SAEVUS organization conducted an Inter-school Quiz programme about nature, wild-life, environment, biodiversity etc. on 16.7.2016. Our school team secured the III place out of 40 schools. The participants were: Viswanathan Jayasingham (V B), Niranjan Ram Ananthakrishnan (VI C) and Aashrith Sudharshan Narayn (VII D)

Interschool Cultural Meets

Our students have done commendably in the city level inter-school cultural meets winning the championship in two and runners up in two and numerous prizes in Dance/Music competitions.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS- SPORTS

Our students participated in various championship tournaments and won prizes. A few achievements at the International, national, state and district levels are given below

International

Foot Ball

- In the Dana Cup 2016-International Youth Soccer Tournament, held at Denmark from 20.7.2016 to

30.7.2016, **R.Adithi** of class XII C and **M. Chandomaye** of class XI C was selected to play for the Indian Football Team. R.Adithi captained the Indian Team.

- R. Adhithi participated in the International Soccer Training Camp (US, Florida)

National Level

Foot Ball

- In the CBSE National Football (Girls Under 19) Championship conducted from 20th November 2015 to 24th November 2015 at Saint Soldier International School, Chandigarh, P. S. Senior Secondary school's team emerged the First Runner-up and won the Silver Medal. This was the first time ever a girls football team from South India entered the National Finals.
- Our school's team emerged winners in the CBSE South Zone Football (Girls Under 19) tournament. This is the fourth consecutive year our school team has emerged winners.
- Our School's Under 17 Girls Football Team emerged winners held at Dehradun from 6th April to 8th April 2016. R. Adhithi of Class XI and Smruthimaye M. of Class VII were adjudged the most promising players of the Tournament.
- S.Mahesh of VII C and Mithra Siddharth of VIIA were selected to participate in the All India Inter SA1 FootBall Tournament(U-14).
- R Sneha XIA and R Adithi secured the runner up position in the TamilNadu Chief Minister Trophy Girls FootBall Tournament. They received a Cash award of Rs 75000 each.
- S.Mahesh of VII C represented Chennai FC in the Reliance Foundation Young Champ National Camp for Foot Ball - 2015 (Mumbai).He also represented Chennai in the Sub - Junior District Football Championship - 2015 - 2016 (Pudhukottai).
- Mithra Siddharth of VIIA represented Chennai in the Sub-Junior District Football Championship - 2015 - 2016 (Pudhukottai).

Cricket

- E.Sruthimalakshmi, of Class XIB selected as a member of the Tamil Nadu State Women's Under-16 team participated in the South Zone Inter-state Cricket Tournament held from Jan 2nd to 12 th Jan 2016.

Table Tennis

- S.Hrithika - V C represented 77th Cadet & Sub-Junior Nationals Table Tennis Championships 2015 held at Kolkata, West Bengal. She also represented in the Chennai District Table Tennis Championship - 2015 (Cadet Girls).

Swimming

- Vasisht Varsh Sridhar - XIIB won 1st Place in 400 Mts - Medley and 200 Mts - Medley in CBSE South Zone Swimming Meet - 2005 (Karnataka)13-19 Boys Category.

Basket Ball

- S.J. Prabu Manoj - IX B won the 2nd Place on CBSE Cluster V Athletic Meet - 2005 U 14 Boys Category 100 Mts. He qualified for Nationals and represented in the 42nd Sub-Junior National Basketball Championship 2016 held at Puducherry.

School Programmes:

Academics:

- **Beyond Boundaries**

This initiative was started with the objective of providing students opportunities to explore beyond their curriculum in both scholastic and co-scholastic areas. A series of programmes have been organized since July 2015.

Maths

Dr K L Karandikar Director Chennai Mathematical Institute gave two lectures on 'Probability'.
Dr K V Subrahmanyam, Chennai Mathematical Institute gave an Introduction to Graph Theory.

Mr Rajesh Sadagopan addressed students of class IX & X and XI & XII and gave a lecture on mathematical problem solving on 10.6.2016.

Physics

Dr.. Balaji Sampath conducted enrichment lectures on Experimental Physics for students of classes XI & XII on 18.6.2016 .

Chemistry

Mr. Balaji, Chemistry Professor, Vivekananda College conducted enrichment lectures for students of classes IX & X on 25.6.2016..

Commerce

Mr. V Pattabhiram, Co-founder and Partner, Yoganand & Ram, Chartered Accountants, gave a talk to the Commerce students of classes XI and XII on July 9th 2016 on the topic "Getting to know the Stock Market".

Mr M.P Vijayakumar, Chartered Accountant, Central Council member of ICAI gave a speech on 'Introduction To Accounting Standards' on 03/08/2016.

Informatics Practices

V Thejas, Sai Anrudh Reddy and Shivram Gowtham Class of 2015, participants in National Informatics Olympiad Training Camp 2015, conducted a training programme on problem solving skills towards preparation for Informatics Olympiad.

Arts and Music

An interactive session with eminent Carnatic Musician Shri. T.M. Krishna was organized on 9th October 2015 for the Music Club students. Shri. T.M. Krishna has offered to extend his support to organize periodic interactions with experts.

- **BMW(Body, Mind and World)**

'BMW' programme is as exciting as the name itself. The objective of the Programme is to provide an enabling environment for teaching and learning of the academic, social and interpersonal skills. We have developed an age appropriate interesting, relevant programme for classes I – VIII providing a weekly slot in the time table. Invited lectures, Awareness campaigns, Screening of relevant videos/documentaries are organized periodically

- On 25th June 2016, as a part of the BMW programme, Mr. Arun Krishnamurthy (Environment Foundation of India) addressed the students of class VII and spoke to them on issues affecting the environment and measures to protect it.
- As a part of Culture and Heritage series lectures organized by PSES, Students of class XII attended two lectures. Shri Sukhi Sivam spoke on the topic "What Is Education" on 25.6.2016. Shri Tirupur Krishnan (Editor, Amutha Surabhi) delivered a lecture on the topic 'Celebrating Traditions' on 13/07/2016.
- Mrs Radha Sharma a wildlife photographer by hobby and passion (Our Biology Teacher) made a talk and Presentation on her experiences on the topic 'My Journey into the wilderness (Disciplined body, Compassionate mind, enkindle Soul) on 22/07/2016.
- **Choral Music Classes**

Training in choral music through a structured curriculum programme is offered to students of Classes I to V during school hours with the expertise and support of Rhapsody Music Foundation managed by Mr. Anil Srinivasan, well-known composer and Mrs. Sudha Raja, Choral Music expert.

NEW INITIATIVES

Academics

- PICIRQL, an online math programme, aimed at strengthening conceptual understanding of Mathematics covering the concepts dealt with in classes VI – XII has been offered to all students of classes VI to VIII for the academic year 2016-17.

Theatre Workshop

- The Travelling Theatre Program, an offshoot of the Book Lovers Program For Schools (BLPS) has offered an optional Theatre workshop for students of classes VI to VIII. Two batches of 25 students have enrolled.

Awakened Citizen Programme

- 'Awakened Citizen Programme' is a graded program designed by Ramakrishna Mission to enable and inspire students towards becoming enlightened citizens. This year the programme is offered to the students of class VII. Two of our teachers have been trained to conduct the Programme.

STUDENT INITIATIVES

The Fourth Estate

Students of Class XII run the wall magazine 'The Fourth Estate'. Classes VIII XII present weekly features on current affairs, updates of school activities and creative articles by students.

Renaissance

An inter-class Cultural Competition covering a wide range of interests was organized for students of VIII to XI. The inter-class cultural competition is organized by Fourth Estate team of Class XII to help identify interests and talents in students who later can represent the school in inter-school cultural competitions. The inter-class cultural meet was organized as a two day event in July.

Newsletter

Mystique, the school's annual newsletter first launched in 2002 is managed by students of Class XII and features highlights of the school's achievements, updates of school activities. The 15th issue of Mystique will be released at the School's Annual Day celebration.

Ongoing Programmes

Great Lakes P.S. Senior Secondary School Management and Entrepreneurship Programme (GLPSS M & E Programme)

A Management and Entrepreneurship Certificate Programme, the first of its kind, was launched by Great Lakes Institute of Management Chennai one of India's premier business schools and our school in August 2009.

Batch VII was inaugurated on 15.10.2015 by KC John an outstanding entrepreneur, visiting Professor-Technology, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Great Lakes Institute of Management, and a Communications, Mobile & Internet Technologies - Sustainable Development Specialist.

Batch VII with a total enrolment of 72 students, 60 from P S Senior and 12 from P S Matric, is the largest class since the launch of the program in 2009.

Enrolment for Batch VIII is in Progress.

BLPS - The Book Lovers Programme for Schools

BLPS conducted vocabulary enrichment sessions for students through games and story-telling. The programme also offers an add-on library facility to the students. This has motivated students to read and improve their comprehension and communication skills. Relevant literary activities have also enhanced their creative thinking.

Students of the middle school conducted a story-telling session for primary students on Teachers' Day.

German Classes

The school, with the support of the Goethe Institute, offers courses in the German Language as an optional programme after school hours.

Programmes for parents

In consultation with the PTA and based on the feedback received since 2012, the school offers the following programmes for Parents, annually.

- A course on Basic Computing
- A course on developing effective communication in English
- Sports Meet for Parents
- Open Library- A BLPS initiative

School Activities

Workshops conducted by our teachers / school

- As a part of the centenary celebrations of P S High School, North Our School organized a workshop for City School Maths Teachers. Dr Revathy Parameswaran, Vice Principal and Mr. S.U. Gopalakrishnan, PGT Maths gave a lecture on Golden Ratio using technology.
- Prof R Ramanujam, Institute of Mathematical Science gave a lecture on problem solving skills in Mathematics.
- Mr Sadagopan Rajesh gave a lecture on Non Routine Problem Solving techniques.
- Value Education Workshop was conducted for PSES Group of schools by Dr.Revathy Parameswaran, Vice Principal and Mr. S.U. Gopalakrishnan, PGT Maths.
- Mrs Nageswari M, Art Teacher conducted a workshop for KG Teachers

Seminars and Workshops attended by our teachers

In keeping with the school's policy of continuous upgradation of knowledge and skills, our teachers attended several workshops and seminars in the academic year 2015-2016. The details of a few important ones are given below.

- Capacity Building Programme for Class X Mathematics organized by CBSE
- Master Trainer for Cyber Security and Online Safety organized by CBSE
- Creative and Effective Teaching on Hindi Language organized by New Saraswati House (India) Pvt Ltd
- Innovation in teaching and Learning Scientific Teaching organized by Ratna Sagar(Pvt) Ltd
- New Teaching Methodologies and updating of sources and theoretical approaches of teaching of History organized by C P Ramaswamy Aiyar Foundation
- Advance Hobby Workshop for Arts and Craft Teachers organized by Pidilite
- Latest Teaching Methodologies and Classroom Strategies in English Language Teaching organized by Orient Blackswan
- Awakened Citizen Programme organized by Sri Ramakrishna Mission
- Workshop for Accountancy Teacher organized by Sultan Chand & Sons(Pvt) Ltd
- Workshop for Physics Teachers organized by Indian Education Trust
- Workshop on "Floods and Droughts A Global Phenomenon" by 'The Association of Geography Teachers of India'.
- XSEED School of Tomorrow Seminar Organised by XSEED Education.

'OUTREACH' Programme

- Our teachers visit PS High School (North) twice a week from July-February to conduct Enrichment classes for English and Maths for the students of classes VI and VII.
- During the Chennai floods our PTA, Students and Teachers helped in distributing materials in the Relief camps.
- During Pongal and Diwali our teachers celebrated the festival sharing new clothes, grocery, notebooks and stationery with Lotus Blind School, Nimmadhi Foundation and Takkar Baba Vidyalaya.

ANNUAL SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

Annual Day

The 39th Annual Day of the school was celebrated on the 28th and 29th of August 2015 at the Naradha Gana Sabha, Chennai. Prof. R.S.Veeravalli (Director-PGXPM & Associate Professor, Great Lakes Institute of Management) presided over the function on 28th August 2015.

Dr.C.Rangarajan (Former Governor, Reserve Bank of India) was the Chief Guest on 29th August 2015. Shri T.S.Krishnamurthy (President, P.S.Educational Society) presided over the function. Mr. Satish Sridharan, CEO, Ventura Technologies and a distinguished alumnus of the school was the special invitee.

Sports Day

The 38th Annual Sports Day was celebrated on the 8th of August 2015. Mr. N.Anbu (Asian Gold Medal Record Holder-Weight Lifting) was the Chief Guest.

The Primary Sports Day was celebrated on the 7th of August 2015. Mr. Vivek Nagul (Coach of CHENNAIYIN FC ISL) was the chief guest.

Scintillations 2015

Scintillations 2015, The Annual Inter school cultural meet was held on 23rd and 24th of July 2015.

Prof K Srilatha, Writer & Professor, IIT Madras, inaugurated the program.

Shri T M Krishna, Carnatic Vocalist, was the Chief Guest at the valedictory function..

Bala VidyaMandir, Adyar emerged the winners and PSBB, K.K.Nagar secured the runner up position

P.C.Sekhar Inter School Music Competition

In memory of Shri.P.C. Sekhar the first Hony. Secretary and Correspondent of our school, an annual interschool music competition started in the year 2013 (the birth centenary year of Shri.P.C. Sekhar). We host this event but do not participate.

9 participants from various city schools participated in the event. The first place went to E R Anirudh of National Public School, the second place to Dhanush A of Vidya Mandir Senior Secondary School and the third place to Madhumita Doraiswamy of DAV(Girls) Senior Secondary School, Gopalapuram.

State Level Cricket Tournament

P.C. Sekhar Memorial Cricket Tournament (Under 14 Boys) for Sanmar Cup was conducted from 27th January 2016 to 8th February 2016. The tournament drew participation from 32 city schools. The valedictory function of P.C. Sekhar Memorial Cricket Tournament was held on 08.02.2016. Shri. Kaushik M. Gandhi, Ranji Trophy Player, presided over the valedictory function and distributed the prizes.

St. Bede's Anglo Indian Higher Secondary School [Santhome] emerged the winners and P.S. Senior Secondary School [Mylapore] was the runner up.

Science Project Day

Science Project Day was organized on 19th and 20th February 2016. Dr. G.N.Hariharan, Director- Bio-Technology, M S Swaminathan Research Foundation was the chief guest. The theme of this year's project is "Nurture Noble Nature". The objective of the project is to motivate students to explore the various aspects of nature appropriate and relevant to their age and grade. Students of Classes KG to Class VIII are involved in the project day.

National Days & Other Programmes

- Independence Day, Republic Day and Gandhi Jayanthi were celebrated with reverence and enthusiasm.
- **Road Safety Week**

As a part of the Road Safety week programme the following activities were conducted in our school. Students of Primary and Middle school participated actively in various events.

- **World Environment Day**

World Environment Day was celebrated in our school between 10.6.2016 to 17.6.2016. Collage and Poster making activities were organized. The topics included 'Nest of Different birds', 'Healthy Oceans Healthy Planet' and 'Protection of Endangered Species and 'Environmental Awareness'.

- **The International Yoga Day**

Second International Yoga Day was celebrated in our school on 21/06/2016.

The Principal, Vice Principals, many teachers and parents and students took part in the yoga demonstration with great enthusiasm.

Career Counselling

To keep the students abreast of the growing opportunities and avenues of employment, the school organizes lectures by eminent speakers from various fields and educational fairs by foreign universities.

V. Laxmi Narasimhan our alumnus (2010 Batch) gave a speech to class XII students on carrier options in Indian Navy

P.S. Senior Model United Nations (PSMUN) 2015

The Third Interschool P.S. Senior Model United Nations 2015 was held in our school campus, on 29th and 30th October 2015. PS-MUN was an intellectual simulation of the United Nations encouraging debate, dialogue and diplomacy. Fourteen city schools participated in the event. The Best School Trophy was awarded to Sankara Senior Secondary School, Adyar.

Newspaper in Education

Newspaper in Education programme organized by 'The Hindu', the reputed national daily, aims at sensitizing our students to contemporary issues. Intensive classroom workshops, off campus events such as IQ contest and speed-reading competitions were conducted

Comprehensive School Health Programme

The importance of health, personal hygiene, nutrition, physical fitness, etc is reiterated through several classroom activities throughout the year.

A comprehensive Medical inspection for all students (Pre KG to Class XII) was organized by the School from 3rd to 6th November 2015. It was conducted by Prime Family Medical Centre & Hospitals Pvt. Ltd. The programme was coordinated by Rotary Club of Meenambakkam

Interact Club

The Interact Club for the year 2015-16 was inaugurated on Thursday, 20.8.2015. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Rotarian Shri. Sudarshan Renganathan, an outstanding entrepreneur, an alumnus of our School.

Excursion And Field Trips

To gain first hand knowledge and experience and augment academic learning, the school organizes tours and field trips to various places. Students of Class XII were taken on a trip to Mahabalipuram. Visits to Heritage sites/factories are arranged for classes I to X in second term of the year.

ON GOING AFTERSCHOOLACTIVITIES

Club Activities

To hone latent skills in co-scholastic areas, students of Classes VI VIII are provided structured opportunities. One such opportunity is the various club activities conducted in the school premises. Experts and professionals are invited to interact with the students. The areas covered under club activities are as follows

- Creative writing & Journalism club.
- Drawing
- Debate Club
- Maths
- Reader's Club
- Quiz Club
- Health Club
- Needle Work
- Physical Science Club
- Craft
- Eco Club
- Dramatics
- Community Service
- Web Designing

Enrichment Classes

Enrichment Classes in Maths, workshops and lectures in Physics, Chemistry & Maths are regularly organized for students of Classes IV IX and Classes XI & XII respectively.

Remedial Programmes

Remedial Programmes are organized in all subjects for students of IX & X and in Maths, Science, Physics and Chemistry for students of Classes XI & XII.

Sports Coaching

Coaching classes are held for all major games through the year in Volley Ball, Basket Ball, Throw Ball, Foot Ball, Table Tennis, Cricket and Athletics.

Yoga & First Aid Classes

Students of Classes IX & X undergo training in Yoga and First Aid.

Scouts and Guides

Scouts and guides are involved in various in house school activities. Weekly classes are conducted

Veda Classes

Vedic chanting classes are organized on an optional basis every week after school hours.

Infrastructure Development

- **Digital Library**

The Digital Library's capacity has been extended by adding five more computers. Head sets have been provided. Online tests are also being conducted. Students of classes VI-XII are assigned regular sessions in the digital Library.

- **SMS Service**

Our School launched SMS service on 08th August 2016. This service will facilitate instant, effective communication with parents.

- **Smart Boards/ E-Learning facilities**

Smart Boards have been installed in 25 classrooms of classes I to V this year. With this installation, all classrooms of I XII have been provided access for e-learning.

- **Enhancement of Water Resources, Electrification and Other Renovation Works**

- A borewell of 60 feet was sunk behind the Primary Block (southern end) and 19 No's of inter-linked pits were constructed towards Rain Water Harvesting and managing flooding of the central open yard. The old open well unused for a long time has been cleared of silt and rendered fully usable.

- The electrification work in the School's Campus was completely revamped. An electricity meter of 100 KVA rating was installed, replacing the old one (30KVA).
- The large open shed area: The entire flooring was redone with Paver Blocks. Some roofing sheets in a broken condition were replaced. The Structural posts and the roof (underside) were repainted. Roofing sheets were replaced in the the long cycle shed behind the Science Block and the old cycle shed near Gate II at the Northern end of the Campus
The flooring was replaced with Paver Blocks and the Shed was painted

STAFF WELFARE SCHEMES

The Management of P S Senior Secondary School has introduced two laudable staff welfare measures

1. Medical Reimbursement Scheme

The permanent and full time staff members of the School who have completed three years of service with the School can avail this facility. This facility has been **extended to his/her spouse and two dependant children.**

2. Staff Medical Insurance Policy

This Policy covers treatments requiring Hospitalization for one day and more. United India Insurance Co. Ltd has issued the Policy. Premium for the policy is paid by the school. Staff members with minimum 5 years of service with the school are covered by the scheme. Benefits of this policy are also extended to the spouse and two dependant children

STUDENT WELFARE SCHEMES

Student Safety Insurance Scheme

This scheme covered by United India Insurance Company extends personal accident benefits to students of the Institution and medical expenses for all accidental injuries. It cover all students of the school.

Scholarship

The school awards merit-cum-means scholarship for students. This includes scholarships awarded by the school, the Alumni Association, PTA, the Sai Trust and several other patrons of the school. The number of students availing this benefit currently is nearly 100.

P.S. Educational Society gives merit cum means scholarships from the society's University Education Fund to students pursuing their higher studies on completion of Class XII. 9 students have availed this benefit in the academic year 2015-16.

PARENT TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION

The School's PTA plays a significant role in building effective co-operation and partnership between home and school. Periodic meetings are scheduled to facilitate effective interaction with parents in the morning hours. Members of the PTA continue to extend their invaluable support to the school by sparing their time and effort in regulating traffic at the school gate in the morning hours. We appreciate their thoughtful gesture of organizing memorable Teacher's Day Celebration and felicitating retiring teachers every year. PTA sponsors prizes for Class X toppers every year.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Students past and present are what a school is all about. It is the students who create, sustain and enhance a school's reputation during and beyond their school years. We have among our Alumni high ranking officers in the Defence forces, in Civil Administration, as faculty in institutions of Higher education in India and abroad, Scientists, Researchers, Entrepreneurs, exponents in Music and Dance, senior executives in corporate and multinational firms in Finance, IT sector and in the industry, media and the entertainment world. We are proud of their success in the real world and happy that they set aside their time out of their busy schedule to stay connected with the school and contribute to the school in meaningful ways.

This year the Alumni Association extended a timely helping hand to the students and staff who were affected by the floods, with their contribution of a sum of Rs. 1.5 lakhs to the school. They also made a sizable contribution to sponsor the trip of two of our students selected to participate in the International Youth Soccer Tournament at Denmark

They continue to contribute to the scholarship fund. The Scope of 'Sponsor a Teacher scheme' which has been running since 2006 has now been enlarged to cover teachers and staff who have completed 5 years with the school (earlier 10 years).

Summing Up

By nurturing young minds and strengthening their values we strive to motivate our students to reach their true potential and thus make them productive citizens of the world and worthy human beings. On this joyous occasion, we assure you of continued commitment to excellence in serving the cause of education. We consider this our sacred human responsibility.

With a visionary management motivating us with their inspiring leadership, distinguished faculty striving to do their best, motivated students not just meeting but exceeding expectations, understanding parents offering unstinted support, outstanding Alumni continuing to be a part of us, we are all set to move forward, build on our past successes and scale greater heights in the years ahead.

As someone so rightly said "In the right formation, the flying power of many wings can achieve twice the distance of any bird flying alone.", We owe everyone of our achievements to Team PS. In forty years, team members may have changed, but the team spirit remains the same. **The tradition of excellence continues.**

We thank the Almighty for bringing together the right people at the right time, each endowed with unique strengths and talent united by a common cause. We seek his blessings and guidance in every step of our way in the years ahead.



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