**CHRIST NAGAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** 

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ear students, parents, staff and all the well wishers

Christmas is here. The excitement of festivity and holidays is rolling out. It would be a well deserved one for all.

Let me emphasise that this time is also to bethink that during every moment of His sojourn among us, Jesus was constantly focused upon His goal of rescuing mankind. Nothing diverted Him. Nothing stopped Him.

Another year is passing by giving way to a new one. It's a time to reflect on our goals. Let's take few moments to relook onto the path that we passed through. Let's inquest ourselves- Did we divert from our path? Did we stop anywhere?

Nobody is seeking answers from us. We need to answer only our inner self. We have to find out if anywhere at any point of time did we deviate. If yes, then we just have to strengthen our faith

and vow only to tread the best path; if no, then we have to thank Almighty for the strength provided to us. Our endeavour should be to fulfill the purpose for which we are here for and rest would be cared by the Lord.

Do not forget to rejoice all the accomplishments. The recent Annual Day celebration with the joy of Christmas was one such accomplishment that is laudable.

Always remember to work on future plans which includes academic excellence and the most important our character formation. Utilise rest of the months of this academic year for bringing out the best of oneself.

May Christ's light always fall upon us! Wish you all a Merry Christmas!

Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI Principal

Achievements





Lidhya John

Rithika Sreekanth

CNIte Lidhya John of Grade X-I got the Second Prize in French Recitation and CNIte Rithika Sreekanth of Grade X-G bagged the Third Prize in French Singing in Inter School/College Competition of French Recitation and singing 2019 held at Alliance Française, Trivandrum on 25 October 2019.



Akshay Deepak

CNIte Akshay Deepak of Grade VIII was chosen Guest Editor for The Hindu-Young World's Children's Day Edition. His article appeared in the edition dated 8 November 2019. Six student teams of our school participated in Cambridge Upper Secondary Science Project Competition (for age group 12-14 years). They completed the chosen project in two months. Cambridge International awarded:

**Gold Certificate** 



CNItes Vaibhav D Pillai, Gaurav Nair, Mariam Lulu, Enrique Joseph, Manu Gautam, Kesava Valente Pruneri, Mariam Aysha.



CNItes Rithika Sreekanth, Aravind A Krishnan, Rohan S Kumar, Niveditha Sanalkumar, Sarah Ann Sarin, Lizza Jacob, Sanya Mary Dennies.

Silver Certificate



CNItes Adithyan S Neelamana, Jayashankar N, Lidhya John, Nishant David Jacob, Pranav Bharath J R, Emil Menon, Jonathan, Khalid Abdul Jaleel, Nevil Joseph. Bronze Certficate



CNItes Sree Ram S J, Thanisha S A, Rithika S Kumar, Arjun Manivannan, Karthik S

## Participation

CNIMUN Club made its second appearance at Christ Junior College Model United Nations Conference, Bangalore held on 24, 25 & 26 October 2019.



CNItes Susan Alexander Abraham, Malavika Santhosh Nair, Maryam Lujainy Abdulla, Amey Stephen, Yoshitha S, Madhav D, Sibi Aloshious and Zidane Christy Seethy of Grade XI, Aparna R Syam and Gopichand V Menon of Grade IX represented the school in this year's edition of CIIMUN.

SEPTEMBER 2019

## Handball Tournament Grade XI Assembly



CNIS Boys Handball Team and CNIS Girls Handball Team participated in 4<sup>th</sup> Inter School Handball Championship conducted bv Trivandrum

District Handball Association from 23 to 25 September 2019. The tournament was held at Central Stadium.



On 2 September 2019 Grade XI presented their assembly highlighting the effects of social media. They tackled the sensitive topics brilliantly bringing out

a beautiful lesson. There are always going to be people on the internet who are going to make one fall but it is important to be able to stand back again.

## Teachers' Day



The wait by the students to do something special for their beloved teachers came to end on the Teachers' Day which falls on 5 September 2019. They honoured all the teachers in the school with special messages written on cards.

Declamation speech of personalities like Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul

Kalam, Malala Yousafzai, Anne Sullivan, Isaac Newton and Albert Einstein, delivered by the students highlighted the importance of education making the day meaningful.

Students loved to watch their teachers engaged in different games towards end of the day. The teachers equally enjoyed the games.

## Talents Day



Talents Day 2019 was conducted on 5 September 2019. It is a day where the students are encouraged to take up the task of school administration. Students of Grades X, XI & XII participate in this event. School Principal Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry declared CNIte Melvin Chacko Dennies as the Student Principal and CNIte Maushmi Rajesh as the Student Vice Principal. As many as 53 students were

appointed as student teachers for various subjects. A couple of students adorned the role of Administrative Assistants too.

The arduous preparation that the students had put in for many days bore the fruit on the Talents Day. The students managed the school very well for which they were appreciated. The best student teacher in each subject was awarded at the end of the day.

## **Onam** Celebration



CNIS conducted its Onam function in great splendour and enthusiasm on 6 September 2019. The school was beautifully decorated and all the CNItes wore their traditional attire. *Maveli Thamburaan*, enacted by CNIte Merric Prem Antony, was



welcomed to the celebration. Ms. Soumya Sanathanan, an enthusiastic musician, was the chief guest for this special occasion. Along with a lively speech she gave a chenda performance with students clapping to the beat that was fun



and a slightly tricky activity. The fun continued with the *'Malayalimanka-Kerala Sreeman'* competition. The *Kaikottu kali* by the senior students was graceful. Rest of the day was spent by the students, parents and staff engaged in different



traditional games. Enthusiasm was on all sides, chants of the students added to the fun and Onam happiness was spread everywhere. The celebration tastefully ended with Payasam distribution.

## Session for Parents



Parents of Grade X students attended a session taken by Ms. Manisha Bhandari, Cambridge Exams Officer on 18 September 2019. The session was to enlighten the parents about the IGCSE Curriculum and the IGCSE Exam pattern.

## Principal's Visit

Principal Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI and Vice Principal Rev. Fr. Tinto Pulinchuvallil CMI visited St. Michael School in Fribourg, Switzerland, our partner in the Indo-Swiss Student Exchange Programme. This was for the second meeting regarding the exchange programme. They also visited schools in Germany to find out the style of educating kids.

#### OCTOBER 2019

## Session for Grade VII Assembly Teachers

Ahead of Cambridge Exams (October - November session) Ms. Manisha Bhandari, Cambridge Exams Officer took a session for the teachers on Cambridge Invigilation on 1 October 2019.

#### Half Yearly Review

Half Yearly Review was conducted for the students from 14 - 26 October, 2019 to assess the academic progress and development.



Grade VII students took their opportunity of conducting assembly to celebrate 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The assembly was on 3 October 2019. Glimpses of Gandhi's life were shown through various acts. A portrait of Gandhiji was presented by CNIte Niranjana and the school principal paid tribute by offering flowers. Dance and music was also a part of this assembly.

## Civil Service Coaching

Sargakshetra Right Track Civil Service coaching began on 26 October 2019. The new batch of Grade V Right Track students will be focusing on daily newspaper reading, maintaining a newsbook to improve general knowledge. Emphasis is given on life skills training. Topics such as effective communication skills, inter personal skills and leadership traits are given prominence.

## Session for Students and Parents

Students of Grades X, XI & XII along with parents attended a seminar by the overseas education consultants of Santa Monica. The seminar held on 28 October 2019, highlighted 12 cool reasons to study Abroad. Emphasis was given to earning a globally accepted qualification, exploring global culture, developing valuable career skills and becoming more employable.

## Kerala Piravi

The students and the staff of the school celebrated Kerala Piravi by adorning the Kerala Attire on 1 November 2019. CNIte Gopika of Grade VII spoke on the relevance of the day during the Open Space.

## Open Day

The teachers and parents discussed about the progress of the students on the Open Day conducted on 4, 5, & 6 November 2019 for Grades I-IV, Grades V-VIII and Grades IX –XII respectively.

The School Principal had a session with all the parents on these days to announce the shifting of school campus to Kazhakoottam. A short video on the same was also played to notify the same.

## Star Day



On 4 November the students were awarded Ruby Stars, Gold Stars and Silver Stars as a

gesture of appreciation for their achievement in the Half Yearly Review.

## Session for Parents

Student counsellor Ms. Margaret Tojo held a session for parents of the students of various grades. Each session commenced with a School Cinema Parents' Movie.

## Annual Educational Fair



The Annual Educational Fair Panchatatva was held on 8 November 2019 in the school premises. It was inaugurated by Shri G. Sreeram, Assistant Director, AIR the Chief Guest of the day. The honourable guest enlightened the students on Panchatatva in Music.

The students attempted to

display the potentials of the five elements of nature, discoveries and inventions that have happened due to them and also the disasters that are caused by these five elements. They also tried to explore the possibilities from them.

Through this theme, the school aimed to provide a better

understanding that Panchatatva-Akash, Vayu, Jal, Agni, and Prithvi flourishes, cherishes, perishes and revives life.

The Food Fest, Book Fair and the Photo booth were added attractions to the fair apart from the various models that were displayed by the students.

## <mark>4 Nove</mark>mber 2019

Grade II – Movie: "The Glass Jar" -It focused upon how a strong value system is the best gift a parent could ever give their child. Grades III & IV -Movie: "Beyond Belief" - Stress was given on the need to shift our mindset when it comes to anything that deals with sexuality; prevention is better than cure!

#### <mark>5 Nove</mark>mber 2019

Grade V - Movie: "Tick Tock Time Emporium" - Stress was on how children need time & complete attention from parents. Grade VI - Movie: "Conditions Apply" - It focused on understanding the personal worth of one's child.

## <mark>Session</mark> for <mark>Studen</mark>ts

On 6 November 2019 the students of Grade X were exposed to a lecture on map work. The lecture was conducted by Fr. Dr. Thomas Thelakkatt who has a doctorate in toposheets interpretation and has published a book on toposheets.

#### Session for Teachers

On 12 November 2019 Ms. Margaret Tojo, our Student Counsellor, attended The Times NIE Principals' Seminar held at Hilton Garden Inn, Thiruvananthapuram. There was a panel discussion on 'Successful career options for students.' Mr. Sebastian A. C., our Staff Secretary and French Faculty, attended International an Workshop-La Journée Pédagogique sponsored hv the Directorate of Collegiate Education at University College, Thiruvananthapuram on 22

November 2019.

## Children's Day





The teachers blessed the students of the school, on the occasion of Childrens Day, through personally made greeting cards.

A card with the names of all the students of the school designed

by the school principal made all students feel special.

The little ones of Grades KG, Grades I & II presented the special assembly delighting everyone with their songs and dances. CNIte Madhav Murali presenting himself as Chacha Nehru and giving a speech about Chachaji and his vision left the school amazed.

#### Principal's Day



Principal Rev. Fr.Thomas Chennattusserry CMI prefers to make no noise about his birthday but the staff and the students took time during Open Space on 29 November 2019 to celebrate it with birthday greeting cards. The staff and students made him cut a birthday cake too. Candies were distributed to all.

## Annual Sports Meet





the Annual Sports Meet. The day

filled with action was inaugurated

by the Chief Guest Shri. Unwin J.

Antony, Commandant of Police.

He elected to keep his remarks on

the occasion short, instead gave

some well-appreciated advice

On 14 November, the air was filled with cheering and tons of encouragement when the CNItes turned into young athletes at the University Stadium. The march past, the bamboo drill and the pompom dance were perfect for

DECEMBER 2019

## Annual Day



The school celebrated the Annual Day along with the joy of Christmas on 5 December



2019 in the school premises. Dr. R.L.Tavis.Ashton-Bell, Assistant Professor, Christ (deemed to

be University, bangalore) was the chief guest of the day. The occasion was also graced by the Rev. Fr. Sebastian Chamathara CMI, Provincial, St. Joseph's Province, Thiruvananthapuram, Rev. Fr. Jospeh Vattaparambil CMI, Manager, Christ Nagar Group of Schools and the Principals of other Christ Nagar Educational Institutions.

and wished the school the best

of luck. The sporting events were

participated in with incredible

energy and fervour. The students

from each class took part in

most events, and there was neck-

and-neck competition for many

School Principal Rev. Fr. Thomas Chennattusserry CMI presented the school's Annual Report through a video.

The candle lighting and the cake

cutting set ambience right for Christmas celebration and the Lucky Draw added a tinge of fun to the day. On this auspicious day, Mr. Johny Fredy, our non teaching staff was handed over the key of the house shaped by the CNIS Charity Wing. The entire school participated wholeheartedly to present the mega show 'Once Upon a Time...' when fantasy and drama blended in a whole new perspective of magic and mystery.

games played. Games were also

held for the teachers and non-

teaching staff, which enthralled

the CNItes as they cheered for

the staff.

# Updates

## Open Space Report from the Charity Wing

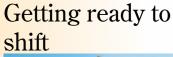


Open Space is buzzing with activities like quiz, debates, speeches, information etc on various relevant topics. Every day during the break time the students grab some general knowledge from the Open Space.



Carnivals - The students of Grades VI –XII took initiative to conduct fund raising carnivals on different days in the second term. The carnivals, conducted for the students of the school, included games and food. The active involvement by the students to conduct and to participate in the carnivals was noteworthy.

News from KG





CNIS Kazhakootam campus is getting ready. The building work is progressing in full swing.

The new campus awaits the arrival of students, parents and staff in the next academic year 2020-21.

## CCA

Students of Grades I-VII wait for Fridays to engage in CCA. All the activities are in progress.

## Space Club

A Space Club has been introduced in the school. Few students of Grades VI-VIII are the members of this club. During the five meetings held so far the members engaged themselves in discussions on topics related to space like Galilean moons, death of massive star etc. The members meet on selected Thursdays after the school hours.

## Reminders

- > Christmas Break starts from 21 December and the school reopens on 30 December 2019.
- > Third Term Fees should be paid (without fine) before the end of January 2020.



The KG kids are enjoying their time here at CNIS. They are fruitfully engaged during the school hours.

Onam Celebration for the KG kids was held on 5 September 2019. *Kaikottukali* and *Maveli Thamburan* presented by the



An amount of Rs. 43, 989/- was raised from the carnivals.

Food Fest - Our Annual Food Fest was conducted on 8 November, 2019 along with our Educational Fair "Panchatatva". Each class was required to bring specific item. Like last year, this time too we had parents as

volunteers. They were completely

involved with the sale of the food.

An amount of Rs. 54,155/- was

Christmas Lucky Draw coupons

collected from the Food Fest.

sale added up to Rs. 14,200/-

kids were lovely.

They participated in different races during their Sports Week held between 25 - 27 September. One of the races was witnessed by the entire school as it was scheduled during the Open Space.



The kids staged a cute action song and a one act play during the Children's Day Assembly. Their academic activities include role plays, jumble up, flash cards activities etc.

## Forthcoming Events

Class Tests (Grades I -IX) - January 2020 Mock Exam -II (Grade X) 6 January 2020 onwards Mock Exam -I (Grade XI) 6 January 2020 onwards Mock Exam -I (Grade XII) 4 January 2020 onwards Mock Exam -II (Grade XI) 20 January 2020 onwards Mock Exam -II (Grade XI) 20 January 2020 onwards **Cambridge Exams March 2020** IGCSE Exams (Grade X)- 4 February -6 March 2020 AS Level Exams (Grade X) - 11 February -6 March 2020 A Level Exams (Grade XI) - 13 February -6 March 2020 Checkpoint Exams (Grade VIII) April 2020 Flag Folding Day -February 2020 Gratitude Day-February 2020 Annual Review (Grades I -IX) - March 2020



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