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MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL

SEASON'S GREETINGS



As we approach the joyous seasons of Christmas and the New Year, I extend my warmest wishes to each of you. These festive times offer us an opportunity to reflect on the year gone by and look forward to the new beginnings that await.

Christmas is a season of hope, compassion, and togetherness. It reminds us of the importance

of kindness, selflessness, and generosity—values that are essential both in our academic pursuits and in our daily lives. Just as the birth of Christ symbolizes a new beginning, we too are called to embrace the spirit of renewal and transformation in our own journeys. Let this season inspire us to strengthen our bonds as a community, celebrate our achievements, and extend compassion to those around us.

The New Year brings with it a sense of possibility and promise. It is a time to set new goals, reflect on our growth,

and renew our commitment to excellence. At St. Claret College Autonomous, we are continually striving for academic and personal growth, and the beginning of a new year is the perfect moment to reaffirm our dedication to these aspirations. Let us approach 2025 with enthusiasm and determination, knowing that each new year offers an opportunity to build upon our successes and overcome challenges.

In this season of celebration, let us remember the importance of unity, kindness, and gratitude. I encourage each of you to take a moment to appreciate the support of our faculty, staff, students, alumni, parents and well-wishers who make SCC a vibrant, inspiring community.

May this Christmas bring peace and joy to your hearts, and may the New Year be filled with hope, growth, and success.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fr. Dr. Thomas Thennadiyil, CMF
Principal

Exceptional Achievements of SCC

- Bhuvan Shankar of I BBA secured a Gold medal at the State Level Kickboxing Championship at Yuvaraja College, Mysuru.
- Chethan Kumar from I BCA secured 1st place at the prestigious Khel Karate League organised by the International Sports Academy of India.
- Priyanka M. and Supriya G. V. of BSc batch 2024 scored perfect 100% in the Bangalore University examinations.
- Chethan Kumar from BCA B secured 1st place at the prestigious Khel Karate League, representing India

- Sahana K L from 3rd BCom D has secured the Silver Medal at the State Level Bench Press Competition organised by the Karnataka Power Lifting Association.
- Chethan Kumar of I BCA-B has secured gold medal at the State Level Karate Tournament held during the Dasara Games
- Varun, Bilwesh V R, Karan H M, Sachin, and Abhilash of St. Claret College claimed the runners-up title in the Men's Category at the Bangalore University Inter College Badminton Tournament.
- Outstanding Achievers of PG Graduating Batch 2024 at the XVII Graduation Ceremony were

Ms. Maria Jessica K.P. (Best Graduating Student PG & MSW Department All-Rounder Award), Ms. Joyce Patricia B. (Library Best User Award), Ms. Chaitra Shree C (M.Sc Department All-Rounder Award), Mr. Ranjith Sam Thomas (MBA Department All-Rounder Award) and Ms. Meghana (M.Com Department All-Rounder Award).

- Anusha Oli (2 BCOM C) - Gold, Devanandana S (3 BA) - Gold, Varsha N Kumar (2 BCOM D) - Gold, and Nibin Nixon (3 BA) - Silver, from St. Claret College, won at the Bangalore University Inter-Collegiate Taekwondo Championship hosted by MS Ramaiah College of Business on 16/10/24.

- Samuel and Abin won bronze medals, while Vijo and Anupam won silver medals at the Bangalore University Inter-College Wrestling Competition, representing St. Claret College.
- Our Women's Basketball Team has claimed their third consecutive victory at the Bangalore University Inter-College Basketball Competition, hosted by Soundarya Institute.
- Our Boys' Basketball Team have secured the runner-up position at the Bangalore University Inter-College Basketball Competition hosted by Soundarya Institute

BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING Collaborating for Academic Excellence

on 31 August 2024, from 09:00 AM to 03:00 PM, with various departments hosting their respective

involved internal faculty members, representatives from Bangalore University, alumni, and industry experts, all coming together to discuss the syllabus for the autonomous batches of UG programs. The board reviewed and provided valuable suggestions on course content, teaching methodologies, and industry relevance, ensuring that the curriculum remains dynamic and aligned with current trends. Such meetings are crucial for maintaining academic excellence and bridging the gap between academia and industry. The suggestions and feedback provided will help enhance the quality of education and make the programs more relevant to the needs of students and the job market. The collaborative approach reinforces the importance of continuous academic improvement and alignment with evolving global standards.



Subject experts Discuss during BOS meeting

The Board of Studies (BOS) meeting at St. Claret College was held

BOS members at different venues across the campus. The meeting

GLITZ 2024

The much-awaited PU Fest, GLITZ 2024 was held on 27 September 2024, at St. Claret College Autonomous. The day was marked by electrifying energy, creativity,

and unforgettable moments that brought students together to celebrate talent, camaraderie, and youthful exuberance. Students from the various PU colleges across Bengaluru showcased their incredible

talents across various competitions, including dances, singing, dramatic skills, debate, spell bee and many more. Interactive games and challenges added an element of fun and excitement. St. Joseph's P U



Ms. Angela Jean Mary, HOD of Humanities Department awards prizes to the students during Glitz 2024



P U students showcase their talents during Glitz 2024

College won the overall championship. GLITZ 2024 was more than just an event; it was a celebration of youth, creativity, and teamwork. The festival fostered a sense of unity among students while providing a platform to explore and express their talents.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Celebrating Unity and Freedom

St. Claret College Autonomous celebrated the 78th Independence Day on 15 August 2024, with great

fervor and patriotism. The day began with a flag-hoisting ceremony by the dignitaries, followed by the



Ncc honours the dignitaries during independence day celebration



SCC pays tribute during the national flag hoisting during independence day

singing of the national anthem, which resonated deeply with the spirit of unity and freedom. The college choir enthralled the audience with a soulful group song, evoking national pride. The Principal, in his message, emphasized the importance of freedom, responsibility, and the nation's progress. Students also presented a vibrant dance performance, showcasing their talent and love for the country. The event concluded with a renewed sense of national pride and collective purpose.

SOCIAL GATHERING

Celebrating Togetherness at SCC

On 19 August 2024, faculty members of SCC gathered for a lively social event starting at 03:00 PM. The

(HODs) and the Principal served as resource persons, providing valuable insights into the college's ethos, policies, and operational procedures. The program aimed to familiarize the

Dr. Thomas Thennadiyil on the topic of Compassionate Communication in the Professional Setting. The program involved a talk followed by an activity engaging the faculty members. The session threw light on the aspect of importance of healthy and rejuvenating communication at the workplace.

Empowering Educators with Self-Care and Counseling Insights

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of St. Claret College Autonomous organised *CHETNA 2.0*, a workshop on self-care and counselling insights, on 6th September 2024. The initiative aimed to equip educators with valuable knowledge on mental well-being and self-care practices, fostering a healthier and more supportive academic environment. Ms. Preethi Jain addressed the gathering on key topics such as identifying signs of stress and burnout in educators, practical self-care strategies tailored for busy teaching professionals and the role of counselling in fostering mental resilience and creating a positive classroom environment. Interactive activities and group discussions enabled participants to share experiences and learn from each other's perspectives. Tools and techniques, such as mindfulness exercises and stress management practices, were demonstrated, providing hands-on insights that educators could apply in their daily routines.

Making the Classrooms Smart

On 09 August 2024, a session was conducted to educate the faculty members on the use of interactive digital smart boards in classrooms. The session was conducted by an expert from the industry who clarified the questions of the faculty members about the multiple functions and scope of a smart board that can revolutionise teaching and learning in the classrooms.



Faculty members interact during social gathering

afternoon featured fun games and interactive ice-breaker activities, fostering camaraderie among colleagues. A music performance added to the festive atmosphere, with a local band playing upbeat tunes. Participants enjoyed engaging in friendly competition and team-building exercises. The event successfully strengthened faculty bonds and offered a refreshing break from routine responsibilities.

EMPLOYEE INDUCTION PROGRAM

A Warm Welcome to New Staff

St. Claret College Autonomous conducted an Employee Induction Program starting on 8 August 2024 to welcome and orient new staff members. The Heads of Departments

new employees with the college's academic culture, expectations, and goals. This initiative is essential for fostering a strong sense of community and ensuring the smooth integration of new staff into the college environment. The interactive sessions also encouraged open communication and set the stage for a collaborative work environment.

IQAC

CHETNA 1.0 Conducted

The IQAC of SCC conducted the first session of CHETNA 1.0, a faculty enrichment session at the Mother Teresa Conference Hall from 03:00 to 04:00 PM on 08 August 2024. The session aims to create a holistic approach towards education, training and novel advancement at SCCA. The session was handled by the principal

Aiding Quality Education

On 12-13 August 2024 the IQAC of SCC conducted a workshop on the NAAC Reforms 2024: Binary Accreditation Framework at Mother Teresa Conference Hall from 02:00 to 04:00 PM. The session was conducted to inform the faculty members on the major reforms, rules and regulations adopted by the institution adopted by the RPC and management in preparation for the upcoming NAAC accreditation. Faculty members sat together in teams based on the metrics assigned to them and engaged in fruitful discussions during the workshop. Representatives from various committees such as IQAC, AEC and RPC spoke about the amendments in the policies related to research, promotion of the institution and academic conduct. The session gave the faculty members an insight into approaching the teaching and research components in the coming years.

CENTRE FOR SPORTS AND PHYSICAL WELLNESS

Inter-College Handball

Tournament & Selectionorganised

The Inter-College Handball Tournament & Selection 2024-25, hosted by St. Claret College Autonomous in collaboration with Bangalore University, was held on 27 and 28 September 2024. This thrilling event brought together exceptional talent, passion, and sportsmanship from colleges across the region, making it a grand celebration of teamwork and athleticism. Over two days, the handball courts came alive with unmatched energy and fierce competition as teams from various colleges battled for the championship. The event reinforced the spirit of sports within the student community, leaving everyone inspired and motivated.

Teamwork in Action: Handball Competition 2024

The Sports and Physical Wellness Centre of St. Claret College organized an exciting Handball Competition

on 22nd August 2024, starting from 03:00 PM onwards. Students from various departments participated, showcasing their athleticism, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The competition was not only a platform for physical skill but also an opportunity to foster camaraderie among students across disciplines. Such events are vital for promoting fitness, discipline, and team spirit within the college community. The spirited matches were a true testament to the students' passion for sports. The event concluded with a sense of achievement and unity among participants and spectators alike.

Empowering Women: Thrilling Throwball Action

On 23 August 2024, the Sports and Physical Wellness Centre of St. Claret College hosted an exciting Throwball Competition for women at the college ground, beginning at 03:00 PM. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students across various departments, highlighting the importance of women's sports in fostering confidence, teamwork, and physical fitness. Such competitions are essential for empowering female students and encouraging them to engage in sports as a means of overall well-being. The spirited matches reflected the dedication and talent of the participants, promoting a sense of unity and healthy competition. The event was a huge success, reinforcing the college's commitment to gender equality in sports.

A Showcase of Talent and Team Spirit

On 22 August 2024, the Sports and Physical Wellness Centre of St. Claret College hosted a thrilling Badminton and Cricket competition for both male and female categories, starting at 03:00 PM at the college ground. Students from various departments actively participated, demonstrating their athleticism and teamwork across these popular sports. Such events are crucial in promoting

physical fitness, discipline, and healthy competition among students, while also encouraging gender equality in sports. The competitions offered a platform for students to showcase their skills, fostering a spirit of unity and camaraderie. The event was a resounding success, drawing enthusiastic participation and support from the entire college community.

ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING CLUB

Empowering Minds: Knowledge Session on Human Trafficking

On 6th August 2024, the Anti-Human Trafficking Club of St. Claret College organized an insightful session on human trafficking for MSW students. The resource person, an expert in the field, provided valuable information on the causes, consequences, and preventive measures of human trafficking. The session was crucial for raising awareness and empowering students to take an active role in combating this global issue. Students gained practical knowledge of legal frameworks, victim support, and rehabilitation processes. This event significantly enhanced their understanding of the subject, preparing them for future work in social justice and human rights.

NCC

HAR GHAR THIRANGA: Uniting Through Patriotism

on 14th August 2024, the NCC unit of St. Claret College organized the "Har Ghar Tiranga" campaign, encouraging students and faculty to proudly display the Indian national flag at their homes. The initiative, in line with the national movement, aimed to strengthen patriotic feelings and foster unity across the country. This campaign was important in promoting national pride, especially among the younger generation, and

reminded everyone of the values of freedom and responsibility. The participation of the college community in this movement helped create a strong sense of collective identity. It was a meaningful way to celebrate India's independence and heritage.

CLARET CENTRE FOR MENTAL WELL BEING (CARE)

LSDP Organised

The CARE of SCC organised an LSDP session for first-year UG students from 01-02 August 2024 at various venues. The LSDP was conducted to equip the students with the necessary skills related to dealing with real-life situations. The various sessions organised for the students as part of LSDP were Turning a New Leaf- Dealing with

resource persons for the session were eminent faculty members of SCC's UG and PG departments who were experts in their respective fields.

TRAINING AND PLACEMENT CELL

EY Campus Placement Drive organised

St. Claret College Autonomous hosted the EY Campus Placement Drive on 21 September 2024. This prestigious event offered a remarkable platform for ambitious students from MBA, BBA, M.Com, B.Com, and BA programs to embark on a promising career journey with one of the world's leading firms, Ernst & Young (EY). The placement drive was designed to assess and identify talented students for various roles at EY, ensuring an enriching professional start for the selected candidates. The structured

excitement and gratitude for the opportunity to engage with such a renowned organisation.

H R Summit organised

The Training and Placement Center of St. Claret College Autonomous hosted a 3-day HR Summit titled *Nourishing the New Talent with Global HR Trends and Strategies* from 24-26 September 2024. This engaging and dynamic event aimed to equip HR professionals with innovative strategies to address challenges in nurturing talent within the global business environment. The speakers were **Mr. Sanjay James**, OD Head and DGM HR, Landmark Group, who provided in-depth insights into organisational development, highlighting the significance of aligning HR strategies with business objectives to foster a culture of innovation and growth. **Mr. Loknath**, Founder of Learncraft Academy, captivated the audience with his session on talent development, emphasising advanced learning methodologies to enhance workforce competencies. **Mr. Suraj Kumar**, Finance Manager at Wipro, conducted an enlightening session on *Core Finance*, delving into the nuances of financial management and its critical role in driving business success. The sessions served as a valuable platform for students to interact with industry experts, and gain clarity on career opportunities in the domain.

Empowering Future Entrepreneurs: Insights on Startup Success and Funding

On 19 August 2024, the Training and Placement Cell of St. Claret College organized an insightful session on entrepreneurship and funding, aimed at equipping students with the knowledge and skills to pursue business ventures. The session was attended by 78 students and featured various industry experts



Faculty member handles session during LSDP program

Life Transactions, Looking Beyond- Accepting Failure and Seeking Help, Mind Gym- Building Confidence, Looking into the Mirror- Self Awareness and Writing your Story- Past Regrets and Future Plan. The

assessment process ensured students could showcase their potential and readiness for the corporate world. The drive provided students with a first-hand experience of the recruitment process at a global professional services firm. Participants expressed

and resource persons who shared their experiences and strategies for startup success and securing funding. The discussions covered key aspects of entrepreneurship, from ideation to scaling a business, and provided valuable guidance on navigating the challenges of securing investment. The event was well-received by students, inspiring many to explore entrepreneurial opportunities.

Orientation Program on Taxation: Bridging Academia and Industry

On 22 August 2024, the Training and Placement Cell of St. Claret College organized an informative Orientation Program on Taxation at the college auditorium. The session, held in association with EY and GDS, provided valuable insights into the latest trends and practices in the field of taxation. Industry experts shared their knowledge on career opportunities, taxation laws, and real-world applications, offering students a deeper understanding of the subject. This program was essential in preparing students for careers in taxation and finance, enhancing their employability. The event was well-received by students, who gained practical knowledge and guidance from leading industry professionals.

Financial Literacy Program: Building a Secure Financial Future

On 24 August 2024, the Training and Placement Cell of St. Claret College organized an insightful Orientation Program on Financial Literacy in collaboration with the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ). Held at the college auditorium, the session featured expert speakers, including Mr. Sridar Kubasad from IIM Ahmedabad, Ms. Veena Gerard, Team Lead for New Zealand Operations at ANZ, and Mr. Srinivas Krishnappa, a Cybersecurity expert at ANZ. The program focused on key aspects of financial literacy, including personal finance management,

digital banking, and cybersecurity. It was an invaluable opportunity for students to gain practical knowledge and enhance their financial acumen, preparing them for future financial challenges.

LIBRARY AND RESOURCE CENTRE

UG Library Orientation: Navigating Resources for Academic Success

On 21 August 2024, the Library and Resource Centre of St. Claret College conducted a comprehensive UG Library Orientation Program to familiarise students with the library's facilities and services. The session, led by librarians Ms. Priscilla Nancy and Mr. Suresh, covered important topics such as library rules, book issue and return procedures, library etiquette, and the online resources available to students. These resources include INFLIBNET, DELNET, Knimbus, EBSCO, and Pearson e-books. The librarians also introduced students to the college's website, access to question papers, syllabus, online book reservation, and request systems. This orientation was crucial in helping students maximise the use of the library's offerings for academic success.

New Classrooms in the College Campus Inaugurated

The inauguration of newly constructed classrooms in the latest building of St. Claret College Autonomous was held on 02 September 2024, marking a significant milestone in the institution's journey toward providing an enhanced learning environment. The event witnessed the presence of esteemed Preists, faculty members, students, and well-wishers. Fr. Xavier Manavath led the prayer on the auspicious day and blessed the new classrooms. The Principal Rev. Dr. Thomas V. Thennadiyil, expressed gratitude

to all stakeholders who contributed to the successful completion of the project. He highlighted that the new classrooms are equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and are well-equipped rooms with AC, smart board and ergonomic furniture, ready to welcome the BSc and BCA students for an enhanced learning experience.

Honouring Pillars of Knowledge and Inspiration- Teachers Day Celebrated

St. Claret College Autonomous celebrated Teachers' Day on 05 September 2024 with great enthusiasm and gratitude, honouring the invaluable contributions of teachers in shaping young minds. The event held at the Mother Teresa conference hall, began with an invocation song seeking blessings for the educators. The celebration included beautiful music renditions and fun interactive games. As a token of gratitude, the teachers were presented with personalised mementoes and cards crafted by the students. The faculty members were visibly touched by the gestures, and many shared their reflections on teaching and the joy it brings.

SWO

Democracy in action: Student Council Elections conducted

St. Claret College Autonomous successfully conducted its annual Student Council Elections on 12 September 2024. The event showcased the democratic spirit and active participation of the student community, reflecting the college's commitment to fostering leadership and collaboration among its students. The election process began weeks in advance with the announcement of nominations. Interested candidates filed their nominations and campaigning was conducted in a structured and respectful manner, with candidates presenting their manifestos during specially

organized sessions. On election day, voting was held at different venues on the college premises from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Students turned out in large numbers, exercising their right to vote and demonstrating enthusiasm for the electoral process. The counting of votes commenced immediately after the polls closed, under the supervision of faculty members and student volunteers. The results were announced by the principal Rev. Dr. Thomas V. Thennadiyil. The elected students are- College Captain Boy- Jonathan S. Varghese, College Captain Girl- Sanya S., Sports Caption Boy- Suhan N. K., Sports Captain Girl- Priya Rathore, Cultural Captain Boy-

Inaugural Academic Council Meeting held

St. Claret College Autonomous held its inaugural Academic Council Meeting on 20 September 2024, marking a significant step forward in its journey as an autonomous institution. The meeting brought together a distinguished panel of academicians, industry experts, and institutional stakeholders to deliberate on academic strategies, approve syllabi, and share insights on fostering excellence in autonomy. The meeting began with a welcome address by the Principal, Rev. Dr. Thomas V. Thennadiyil, who extended gratitude to the council members for their presence and

curriculum for undergraduate programs. The council members reviewed and approved the syllabi, suggesting refinements to align with contemporary academic and industry standards. Key policies related to assessment methods, academic flexibility, and research opportunities were discussed to ensure a robust and student-centred academic framework. Esteemed council members shared their experiences and recommendations for thriving as an autonomous institution, emphasizing the importance of innovation, collaboration, and stakeholder engagement. The inaugural Academic Council Meeting was a resounding success, setting a strong foundation for academic excellence and innovation. It reinforced the collective commitment to equipping students with skills and knowledge to thrive in a dynamic world.

Faculty and Staff celebrated Onam

St. Claret College Autonomous celebrated Onam with great enthusiasm and cultural fervour on 21 September 2024. The event brought together faculty and staff, highlighting the vibrant spirit of togetherness and the beauty of Kerala's rich traditions. The celebration began with the creation of a stunning *Pookalam* at the A.P.J Abdul Kalam auditorium, symbolising unity and harmony. The highlight of the day was a cultural program featuring mesmerising performances by faculty and staff. Traditional Kerala dances like *Thiruvathira*, music performances



Students exercise their right to vote during student council elections

Swaroop S. K. and Cultural Captain Girl- Devanandana S.

Celebrating the Visionary leader

The staff and students of St. Claret College Autonomous came together to celebrate the birthday of the Principal, Rev. Dr. Thomas V. Thennadiyil, with warmth and enthusiasm. The event, held in the college quadrangle, was a heartfelt occasion to honour the leadership and guidance of the visionary leader. Students showcased their creativity and affection through a series of performances, including melodious songs and a dance that brought smiles to all. Fr. Joseph S. the Vice Principal and faculty members shared anecdotes and expressed gratitude for the Principal's vision and unwavering commitment to excellence in education. The event concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony, joined by faculty, staff, and students.

contributions. Dr. [Principal's Name] highlighted the institution's vision for academic innovation and its commitment to providing quality education under the autonomous framework. The Heads of Departments presented the proposed



Faculty members engage in a traditional walk during Onam celebration

and traditional walk added to the festive spirit. The celebrations concluded with a grand *Onam Sadhya*—a traditional Kerala feast served on banana leaves.

ROTARACT CLUB

Free Eye Check-up Drive organised

The Rotaract Club of St. Claret College Autonomous successfully organised a Free Eye Check-up Drive on 23 September 2024. This meaningful initiative aimed to prioritise wellness and raise awareness about the importance of regular eye examinations, contributing to the overall health and well-being of the community. A team of experienced ophthalmologists and eye care professionals facilitated the check-up sessions. Participants received comprehensive eye examinations, including vision tests and preliminary screenings for eye conditions. Prescriptions and guidance were provided for further treatment if required. The drive saw wide participation from students, faculty, staff, and the local community.

Investiture Ceremony conducted

St. Claret College Autonomous held the Investiture Ceremony on 23 September 2024, for the newly elected Student Council. The event marked the official induction of student leaders who pledged to uphold the values of the institution and serve their peers with dedication and integrity. The newly elected Student Council members were adorned with their badges, signifying their roles and responsibilities. They then took the solemn oath, pledging to lead with fairness and responsibility, promote discipline and unity among the student body work towards the welfare of their peers and uphold the institution's values.

PEACE RUN

Commemorating National Sports Day and Gandhi Jayanti

On 02 October 2024, the Center for Sports and Physical Wellness and the Rotaract Club, in association with Rotary Club Jalahalli, District 3192, organized *The PEACE RUN* at St. Claret College, Bangalore.

The event promoted fitness, unity, and the spirit of sportsmanship, drawing enthusiastic participation from the college community. The run celebrated wellness and peace, embodying a collective aspiration for a brighter future.

133rd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi

Gandhi Jayanti Celebration at St. Claret College

On 02 October 2024, the Ambedkar and Gandhi Study Center commemorated the 133rd birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi with a special Gandhi Jayanti celebration held at the St. Claret College Quadrangle. The event paid tribute to the Father of the Nation through reflective programs and activities that inspired attendees to embrace his ideals of non-violence, truth, and selfless service.

Milestone Achieved: Recognition for Blood Donation Efforts

Celebrating Contribution to the Indian Red Cross Blood Centre

On 03 October 2024, St. Claret College received a medal in recognition of its remarkable contributions to the Indian Red Cross Blood Centre. This achievement reflects the dedication of Claretines who actively participated in blood donation drives, demonstrating compassion and commitment to saving lives. The recognition celebrates the college's ongoing efforts in fostering community service and humanitarian initiatives.

Making a Difference

Collaborating with South Indian Railways for Swachhata and Shramdaan Initiative

On 03 October 2024, the NCC cadets of St. Claret College, in collaboration with 8 Karnataka BN and South Indian Railways, successfully conducted a Swachhata and Shramdaan initiative at the SMVT Railway Junction. The event underscored the commitment of the cadets and the community toward cleanliness and public service. Through teamwork and dedication, they worked to inspire

others to maintain clean surroundings and contribute to a cleaner, more sustainable environment.

Inauguration of the Academic Year for PG Students

Inspiring Address by Mr. Jojis Mathew

On 03 October 2024, St. Claret College inaugurated the academic year for its PG students with an inspiring address by Mr. Jojis Mathew, Vice President & Head of Operations at M. S. Ramaiah Memorial. His speech set an empowering tone for the year ahead, motivating the students to embrace knowledge, growth, and innovation. The event marked the beginning of a new era for the PG program, with the promise of exciting academic opportunities and personal development.

SWO

Tanuja - A Cinematic Journey of Inspiration

Organized by the Student Welfare Office

On 03 October 2024, the Student Welfare Office hosted a screening of the Kannada movie *Tanuja* at the APJ Abdul Kalam Auditorium. The event left the audience motivated, offering valuable life lessons through the powerful medium of cinema. Attendees were inspired by the film's message, making it a memorable and impactful experience for all.

CULTURAL CLUB

Freshers' Day 2024: Talent, Fun, and New Beginnings

St. Claret College celebrated Freshers' Day on August 10, 2024, with a spectacular talent show that showcased the hidden talents of the new students. The event, filled with music, dance, and performances, was a huge hit, with the crowd thoroughly enjoying every moment. The highlight of the day was the selection of Mr. and Miss Fresher, who were chosen based on their charisma and talent. Such events are important for fostering a sense of belonging and community among the newcomers, helping them integrate



Dance Performance during Freshers Day 2024

into college life. The day was filled with excitement, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended.

Ambedkar & Gandhi Study Center

Essay Writing Competition - Reflecting on Gandhi's Vision

On 03 October 2024, the Ambedkar & Gandhi Study Center organized an Essay Writing Competition focused on the theme *Gandhi's Concept of Sarvodaya: Welfare for All*. The event brought together participants who shared powerful essays and ideas that highlighted the essence of social welfare and justice. A big thank you to all the contributors for their insightful writings, and to everyone who supported the event. The impact of these thoughtful reflections will continue to inspire minds and spark meaningful conversations.

Exploring Global Opportunities with France

In collaboration with the Embassy of France in India

On 04 October 2024, St. Claret College had the privilege of hosting Dr. Eric Lacombe, Attaché for Scientific and Academic Cooperation at the Embassy of France in India, along with Dr. Oindrila De, Deputy Attaché, and Mr. Yash Khakhar, Manager of Campus France, Karnataka, for an engaging discussion on academic and cultural exchange opportunities with France.

The session focused on the *Choose France* initiative, which offers exciting pathways for academic collaborations, faculty exchanges, and semester programs. With plans to sign MoUs with prestigious French institutions, the event marked a significant step towards fostering global partnerships for the college community.

Dandiya Night Celebration

Hosted by the Department of Humanities & Humanities Club

On 05 October 2024, St. Claret College's A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Auditorium came alive with vibrant colors and festive energy as the Department of Humanities & Humanities Club organized an unforgettable Dandiya Night. With 400 registered students, the event featured a lively atmosphere, full of sparkling lights, rhythmic beats, and joyful dances. The dance floor was filled with excitement as students created lasting memories, embracing the spirit of celebration and togetherness.

Inauguration of New Staff Room

Hosted by St. Claret College Autonomous, Department of Sciences

On 07 October 2024, St. Claret College Autonomous marked a significant milestone with the inauguration of the new staff room for the Department of Sciences. The event was graced by Fr. Principal

Rev. Dr. Thomas V. Thannadiyil, who officially opened the space designed to foster collaboration and innovation. This new facility will serve as a hub for faculty excellence and academic growth, empowering both staff and students to contribute to groundbreaking discoveries and a brighter future in science.

Mastering Data Analysis with SPSS

From Basics to Advanced Techniques – Hosted by the Research Promotion Centre & Department of Management (PG)

On 07 October 2024, the Research Promotion Centre and the Department of Management (PG) at St. Claret College organized an insightful workshop titled “Mastering Data Analysis with SPSS.” Dr. Monica S., Assistant Professor at Christ Academy Institute of Advanced Studies, led the session, taking II MBA students through a comprehensive journey of data analysis techniques, from the basics to advanced methods. Coordinated by Jayanth H., Assistant Professor, PG Department of Management, the workshop equipped students with the skills needed to excel in research and data analysis.

NSS

Visit to Sumanahalli Rehabilitation Centre

An Empathy-Filled Day with NSS Volunteers

On 08 October 2024, the NSS Unit of St. Claret College visited the Sumanahalli Rehabilitation Centre, where volunteers connected with the residents, experiencing their challenges and resilience firsthand. The day was marked by meaningful interactions, heartfelt conversations, and a deeper understanding of the lives of those in need. This visit reinforced the volunteers' commitment to service and support,

fostering a sense of empathy and compassion.

LITERARY CLUB

Movie Screening and Panel

Discussion: Pariyerum Perumal

Exploring Caste, Identity, and Social Justice

On 08 October 2024, the Literary Club and Department of Humanities at St. Claret College organized a screening of the movie *Pariyerum Perumal*, followed by an insightful panel discussion on its themes of caste, identity, and social justice. The discussion featured distinguished speakers including Mr. Abhijith N. Arjunan (Senior Research Fellow, IIT Kharagpur), Mr. Pruthvi Bharadwaj K.V., and Dr. Guneetha Kaur Gill (Assistant Professors, Department of Humanities). The event provided a deep dive into the film's powerful message, engaging Literary Club members and III Year BA students in critical conversation.

TPC

Incubation Drive

Empowering the Next Generation of Innovators

On 09 October 2024, the Training and Placement Centre organized an *Incubation Drive* in collaboration with Pentagon Space at St. Claret College. The event, held at the Mother Theresa Conference Hall, featured an introduction session by Mr. Suraj Vijay Shetty, Business Head at Pentagon Space, followed by rounds of aptitude tests, group discussions, and HR interviews. BCA, BSc, and BA students participated, gaining valuable insights into the world of innovation and entrepreneurship.

World Mental Health Day Celebrations

Prioritizing Mental Wellbeing Together

On 10 October 2024, CARE - Claret Centre for Mental Wellbeing hosted a special series of activities in celebration of World Mental Health Day. The event featured engaging

activities, fun games, and creative sessions aimed at raising awareness and promoting mental wellness. Faculty and staff participated in a meaningful session designed to reflect, recharge, and prioritize mental health. The event emphasized the importance of mental wellbeing and self-care for all.

NSS

Blindwalk on World Sight Day

Raising Awareness for Vision and Inclusivity

On 10 October 2024, the NSS Unit at St. Claret College organized the Blindwalk in observance of World Sight Day. Students participated in the event to raise awareness about the importance of sight and inclusivity. Together, they walked in solidarity to shed light on the gift of sight, fostering a more inclusive and compassionate community. The event was a reminder to continue working towards a future where everyone has access to the gift of vision.

XVIII Graduation Ceremony of PG Students

Celebrating a Milestone with Hon'ble Justice B. Veerappa

On 16 October 2024, St. Claret College Autonomous held the XVIII Graduation Ceremony for the PG students. The ceremony was graced by Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. Veerappa, Upalokayuktha of Karnataka State and former Judge, High Court of Karnataka, as the chief guest. The event was a celebration of accomplishments, with inspiring words from Justice B. Veerappa, marking the beginning of new journeys for the graduating students. Wishing all the graduates success in their future endeavors!

SWATCHATHA: An Outreach Cleaning Drive

Promoting Cleanliness and Sustainability through Community Action

On 18 October 2024, the Environment Club, in collaboration with the NSS, organized the "Swatchatha"

outreach cleaning drive. Students and volunteers united to clean public spaces and raise awareness about the importance of cleanliness and environmental sustainability. The initiative not only fostered a cleaner environment but also promoted teamwork and social responsibility, with everyone contributing to a greener future.

Cultural Exchange Programme

Uniting Hearts and Minds through Culture and Tradition with St. Xavier's College, Kathmandu

From 20 October to 26 October 2024, St. Claret College hosted a Cultural Exchange Programme with St. Xavier's College, Kathmandu. As international students from St. Xavier's stepped onto our campus, the exchange marked a beautiful fusion of cultures, heritage, and dreams. The week was filled with laughter, learning, and moments that highlighted the unity in diversity. As the programme concluded, it wasn't just a goodbye, but the beginning of lasting friendships, with both institutions pledging to continue growing together beyond borders.

Value Week 2024

Celebrating Faith, Integrity, Service, and Cooperation

From 21 October to 26 October 2024, St. Claret College hosted an enriching Value Week, organized by the Student Welfare Office. The week kicked off with a reflection on the value of Faith in God, guiding participants with trust and belief in a higher purpose. Each day highlighted a key value, from truthfulness and integrity to respect, relationality, service, and synergic cooperation. Students engaged in creative activities, including a poster-making competition, short dramas, team-building exercises, and service projects. The culmination of the week brought forth the importance of working together for a brighter future, strengthening the bonds that unite the Claretian community.

The Role of Technology in Modern Education

Workshop Organized by the Library and Resource Center

On 23 October 2024, the Library and Resource Center hosted a workshop on “The Role of Technology in Modern Education” at the Mother Theresa Conference Hall. Dr. Mohamad Imrozuddin, Associate Professor at Presidency University, Bengaluru, was the resource person, guiding UG and PG students through the transformative impact of technology in education. The session highlighted how technological advancements are reshaping learning environments, enhancing both teaching and student engagement in the digital age.

Patron’s Day

Gratitude for St. Anthony Mary Claret

On 24 October 2024, St. Claret College celebrated Patron’s Day, expressing gratitude for St. Anthony Mary Claret, the visionary founder of the Claretian Missionaries. His legacy of passion for education and service continues to inspire and guide the college community. The day was marked by prayer and reflection, bringing the Claretian family together in unity, followed by a joyful Hi-Tea gathering, where the collective mission of building a brighter future was celebrated.

Life Skills Development Program

Skills, Vision, Excellence

On 28 October 2024, St. Claret College embarked on the Life Skills Development Program, aimed at empowering second-year students with essential skills for both personal and professional growth. Day 1 saw students gaining valuable insights and tools to enhance their future,

while Day 2 focused on turning those insights into actionable skills. This program has set the stage for a brighter, more successful journey ahead.

Professional Skills Development Program

Build, Advance, Achieve

On 28 October 2024, the Professional Skills Development Program commenced with a focus on empowering first-year students. Day 1 allowed students to enhance their skills and gain valuable insights, marking a significant step in their professional growth. On Day 2, the program continued to elevate students’ abilities, deepening their expertise for a successful future. This program is designed to help students unlock their potential and prepare for their professional journey.

SPORTS CLUB

Gentlemen’s Cup

Inter College Cricket Tournament

From 28 October to 30 October 2024, St. Claret College hosted the highly anticipated Gentlemen’s Cup, an inter-college cricket tournament featuring 40 top colleges. The event kicked off with a grand inauguration, where teams from across Bangalore showcased their skills and sportsmanship. Sponsored by Sapthagiri Suzuki, Mathikere, the three-day tournament was filled with intense action, culminating in a thrilling final.

Student Conclave India 2024

Bright Minds from Every Corner of India Came Together

On 30 September to 1 October 2024, St. Claret College proudly hosted Student Conclave India 2024, bringing together exceptional students from across the country.

The event celebrated the spirit of innovation, collaboration, and professional growth, offering a platform for vibrant discussions, competitions, and networking opportunities. The energy and insights shared by participants highlighted the caliber of talent nurtured within the institution, making this event a remarkable success and a testament to the future leaders of India.”

NCC

“Rashtriya Ekta Divas (National Unity Day)

Celebrating the Spirit of Unity

On 30 October 2024, the NCC Unit of St. Claret College observed Rashtriya Ekta Divas (National Unity Day) to honor the legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The day featured a pledge-taking ceremony, followed by a Unity March, and an Essay Writing Competition. These activities aimed to promote national integration, unity, and the importance of fostering a united and harmonious India. The event served as a reminder of the strength that lies in unity and solidarity.

Bonjour Claret – French Day Celebration

Embracing the French Spirit at St. Claret College

On 30 October 2024, the Department of Languages (French) celebrated French culture with *Bonjour Claret*, a vibrant French Day celebration at the A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Auditorium. The event, graced by Chief Guest Jean-Marc Depierre, Director of Alliance Française Bangalore, was filled with singing, dancing, fun games, and spirited competitions. Students immersed themselves in the joy and charm of French culture, creating a memorable celebration of language, heritage, and joie de vivre.