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Principal's Message



Dear Friends,

Desalites News & More is a new venture of the St. Francis de Sales Higher Secondary School, solely to promote the writing skills of the students. SFS School believes firmly that true education is the education of heart as well as mind. Basing on this premise, SFS School organizes various co-scholastic activities, so as to unleash the powers of the heart, which is an integral part of true and abiding education. Desalites News & More intends to communicate the co-scholastic events of the school through print medium, written and composed by the students themselves.

Why the name Desalites? St. Francis de Sales is the patron, inspiration and protector of the SFS family. We the members of this family are constantly inspired by his moving life story and enduring values. His constant protection and guidance is the source of inspiration and strength for this reputed institution. Therefore we cannot but call ourselves Desalites – persons moved and guided by the inspiring values of St. Francis de Sales. In the Catholic Church, St. Francis de Sales is the patron saint of the journalists. Desalites News & More is an opening for budding journalists of the SFS School. May this newsletter of the school become a serious platform for the students of the school to develop their writing and communication skills. I thank all the teachers and students of the Desalite family for this new initiative and more especially the editorial team and the contributors of the write-ups for the tremendous hard work they have taken upon themselves.

God Bless SFS.

*Fr George Poovathunkal
Principal*



ENVIRONMENTAL DAY CELEBRATION

There is a saying "We have not inherited this earth from our forefathers; we have borrowed it from our children." In order to generate this awareness, on 5th of June, 2014 Environment Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and zeal in our school. Students from each class lined up in their classes with flower pots and saplings. A short programme was held to mark this occasion, which started with a prayer and then a beautiful dance drama depicting the depletion of nature and natural resources. A very enriching and knowledgeable speech was rendered by the school Principal, Rev Fr George Thomas. A message was given out clearly that we humans need to care and nurture our mother earth.

Krishna Baruah IX A

TALENT HUNT

A platform was given to the freshers, i.e. the class XI students to showcase their hidden talents. Many activities were included for the grand show like singing, dancing etc. The show was graced in the presence of our esteemed principal Fr. George Thomas and sisters. It was a blend of talents and a mood of light entertainment that was in the air. The Freshers showed their talents without any hesitation, which reverberated lots of fun.

Ridip Talukdar XI Humanities



RELEASE OF SCHOOL MAGAZINE

"Celebrations" our school magazine was released with great excitement and commemoration on 12th May, 2014. It reflects the amalgamation of thoughts and imagination of our students through their creative writings, paintings etc. Rev. Fr. George Panthanmackel, the Provincial, MSFS Northeast India Province was invited to the school to release the first copy of the magazine. A small cultural programme was arranged by the students which added more warmth to this occasion. It was a moment of pride for all the Desalites.

Mr. Baburam Sharma (Asst. Teacher)





SFS GENERAL EXHIBITION, 2014

On 20th August, 2014, our school organized the Annual Science Exhibition based on different topics, viz., "OUR PLANET-EARTH"; "PHASES OF ECONOMY", "ENERGY CONSERVATION" etc.,

Each student, from classes I-XII displayed their exhibits on each of their topics. The program started from 8:30 in the morning, in the presence of the project coordinator, science museum, khanapara, Guwahati and Rev. Fr. Manager, SFS School. A brief opening ceremony took place which included the Morning Prayer, Prayer Dance, Skit-Dance and a modern dance performance by the students. The exhibition was graced by Judges from different schools.

The tremendous efforts made by each student and the hard work that each of them had put in had paid off. It was a truly successful event. The program came to an end with a brief show by the members of the Science Museum, Khanapara, Guwahati.

The Prizes Distribution was held on 29th August. The distribution of prize was fair and just as it was awarded to the most deserving competitors; though all the participants had equal potential and resources. Their distinct achievements are the result of their dedication, teamwork and creativity.

Blessy valte XII Humanities



EXTRAVAGANZA

A welcome party for our freshers was organized on 7th June 2014. Everyone was really excited and thrilled on this day. As a tradition the students of class XII were the host for the day. They really worked hard to put up commendable shows. Everyone was really happy and this day helped us to break the ice between seniors and the juniors. Many programs were scheduled on this day. Rev. Fr. George Thomas, the Principal inspired everyone with his encouraging words. It was a wonderful platform for breaking the ice between the seniors and the juniors and welcoming them to the Desalite family

Saumya Singh XII commerce



FELICITATION TO THE WINNERS OF INTER DISTRICT BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

On 26th September SFS School felicitated the students who participated and were the winners of inter district basketball championship which was held at Sivasagar. Guwahati Sports Association selected many of our students to play the tournament, who could bring the victory to them. Arbaz Ali Shah, student of our school was declared as the best player of the tournament.

Sachin Prasad IX C



'A BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT'

An inter school basketball tournament was held in the school basketball court on 8th August 2014. This competition was organized by the school to promote the interest of the students in the field of sports. Fr. George Thomas, the principal inaugurated this event in presence of Rev. Fr. Emmanuel the Manager of SFS School. In the court we could see the struggle of the juniors against the seniors. Though the seniors were the winners, the performance of the junior team was also remarkable.

Rashmi Kalita IX B.

LITERARY AND CULTURAL COMPETITION

An inter class cultural and literary competition was organised by the school in order to enhance the cultural and literary skills of the students. Many events like solo dance, group dance, flower arrangements, collage making, quiz etc. were organised to enhance the skills of the students. The school is indebted to all teachers especially the cultural & literary committee for conducting the competitions at regular intervals. This program enhances not only the scholastic area of a child but also the co-scholastic area.

Mrs. Pinky Gogoi (Asst. Teacher)





EXCELLING IN THE FIELD OF KARATE

Students participated in All India Inter School & senior karate- Do championship competition at Tarun Ram Phukan Indoor Stadium, Guwahati on 23rd August 2014. 13 states participated in this event, and it was a glorious event for our school as they were awarded with 1 gold, 2 silver and 7 bronze medals. Sir Gopal Mandal (Instructor), Sir Baburam Sharma and Sir Basant were the guides who worked hard for the students during the tournament and the school is indebted to them for their hard work.

Mr. Gopal Mandal, Karate Instructor



"PROMOTION TO WHITE TO YELLOW BELT"

Gojur Ryu karate grading test was conducted in our school premises on 27 April 2014. 60 students appeared for white and yellow belt, 30 students were promoted from white to yellow and 30 students stepped in to the world of karate as a fresher with white belt.

Mr. Gopal Mandal, Karate Instructor

"ALL ASSAM GOJU RYU KARATE-DO TRAINING CAMP 2014"

All Assam Goju Ryu karate-do training camp was organised by our school in the month of June. It was a 3 day program and the participants from 5 districts participated in this event. The event was inaugurated by Sr. Rosa, the vice principal of our school. Sensei Sanjib Basumatary, chief instructor of all Assam Goju Ryu karate-do was the instructor of this training camp.

Mr. Gopal Mandal, Karate Instructor





"STAR CLASS AND STAR ASSEMBLY"



A HELPING HAND TO THE POOR

SFS School took a great step in introducing this new concept of star class. The idea behind is to bring out the best of the available resources and to give a whole new dimension in nurturing the life of the children. In today's world time means everything. Discipline, punctuality are the essence of living. Star class is an initiative taken by the management to make the students disciplined and punctual. A class is not about an individual student, not about a particular skills; it is about teamwork. As they say a single stick is far inferior to a bunch of sticks, a single finger doesn't have the strength which a fist has. The basis for deciding the star class is discipline of the particular class, punctuality, cleanliness, creativity etc. Also their regularity during individual class rooms like bringing books, homework etc. too rare counted.

A very important part of the star class is star assembly. A healthy and joyful morning always lays the foundation stone for the rest of our day. The extracurricular program everyday in the assembly is a treat to watch and gives us a great massage for the day.

Ms. Kanika Kalita (Asst. Teacher)

DBI-A SOJOURN

Training and practice helps us to polish our skills. Keeping this in mind Rev FR. George Thomas, the principal decided to send us to the Don Bosco institute, Kharghuli for training on leadership.

The training was on "THE QUALITY THAT A LEADER SHOULD POSSES". The program started with slide presentation by Sr. Flora on motivation. There after Fr. Bevin took all the students under his wings and taught us about leadership principles and inspired us to be a better leaders whereas the juniors were taught the same by Sr. Flora.

We can say that cherry on cake on the day of training was the group activities where we were involved in making paper models, singing, ramp walk, etc. and this was the end of the training.

The four magic word that we were taught at DBI, the home of young people, and which we will cherish throughout our life is "I know, I can, I must, I will".

Sreeparna Nath XII Science





ABHIJIT CHANDRA MEMORIAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

On 16th May 2014 our school organized one of the greatest events of our school, the "Abhijit Chandra Memorial Cricket Tournament" which is an event to give a tribute to the young boy who died in an accident on his way back home from school. The four teams of our school belonging to four different houses participated with great enthusiasm. The first match was between Red house and Blue house. Both the teams played well but blue house batting second won by many wickets in hand.

The second match between green and yellow house was an exciting one. Yellow house with some kind of extraordinary performance won the match and stepped in to the final. The final match between Blue and Yellow house was also an exciting one, once again a brilliant performance by the yellow house led them to the victory. It was a very exciting event full of cheers from the audience.

Gulshan Kumar IX A



TEACHERS' DAY

Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan's birthday is being celebrated as teachers' day on 5th September throughout the country. Teachers' day is one of the most important days in the lifetime of any student because without teachers it would have been impossible for us to gain knowledge and values of life.

Teachers' day is the most awaited day for many students, may be it comes just once a year or because it is the day when the students get the opportunity to express their love and gratitude for their teachers.

We the Desalite family also celebrated the teachers' day on 5th September. There were many programs organized by the students. The morning assembly was conducted by the choir of our school. There after the cultural event began. There were various dance performance by the students from various classes. Then gifts were given to all the teachers and also to the non teaching staff.

Teachers and students share a very sweet relationship which cannot be described in words. During the growing years of a child he/she goes through various mood swings and sometimes also gets distracted from his path. Only the teachers can control the distracted minds of the children, explain them and bring them back to the right path. During this process a lifelong relationship is established between the teacher and the child.

So, teachers not only play an important role in the lives of a child but also help in nation building.

Mayur Trishna class IX A





THE PRINCIPAL'S DAY

As a new year approaches
A fresh start begins
Our love for you
Grows for you in our hearts
On this auspicious day
Wishing you a very happy birthday.
May you always stay blessed.

On 22nd September, 2014 the Desalite Family celebrated one of the most important days of the year- The Principal's day. It is the birthday of our loving principal Fr. George Thomas. In spite of a dizzy weather, everybody's mood in the school was that of a sunny day, the school was overflowing with birthday hymns. Fr. distributed chocolates to the students and we all wished him on this auspicious day. Father encouraged us for making our future bright and a successful one with his motivational words.

The program started at 10 AM. Our band gave a warm welcome to Rev. Father accompanied by applaunds from the students and teachers. The school choir presented a wonderful song. The students portrayed the amalgamation of cultures in dance form from Gujarat to Bengal. There was also a birthday song performed with musical instrument by some of the best musicians of the Desalite family. Greetings and bouquets were presented to Rev Father where the good wishes of the students were written. It was a great opportunity for us to show our love for him.

Joydeep Bordoloi IX A



A HELPING HAND TO THE POOR

SFS School managed to help a poor family with the money donated by the Desalite family. It is a kind of tradition that every year the School tries to help a poor family. This time we went to a house of five members (all three were girls) at Getanagar. We handed over ₹. 25000.00 to the head of the family. "I thank the School Management for this kind of practice they follow" the person said. It was a great satisfaction for us as being a member of the Desalite Family.

Pankaj Sharma XII Commerce





BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

"Do not count the candles but notice the light they give; do not count the years but look at the life you live"

SFS School celebrated Rev. Fr. Emmanuel's (Manager SFS School) birthday on 13th September 2014 at the school premises. On this special day a birthday song was sung by the school choir and a beautiful dance was performed. On behalf of SFS school the principal Rev. Fr. George Thomas wished him with an inspiring speech. We are thankful to Fr. Manager for celebrating his birthday with us; let the Almighty decorate each GOLDEN RAY OF THE SUN reaching him with wishes of success, happiness and prosperity.

Father, we hope that you fly in the plane of ambition and land on the airport of success.

With love
Krishna Sarma XB



VISITATION BY SUPERIOR GENERAL OF THE MSFS

14th October 2014 was a red-letter day in the history of the SFS School. Because, on this day the SFS family was blessed to have Rev. Fr. Superior General with his general curia of the MSFS Congregation visiting our school. A small program was organized to welcome them and the program was soon set in motion after the arrival of the guests which was arranged by the students of our school along with the teachers. We started our program with the blessings of God. This was followed by a beautiful "welcome song" sung by the school choir. Next the guests of honour (Superior General) and his General Curia were felicitated with the SFS School scarf and a bouquet of flowers. During felicitation Rev. Fr. George the principal of our school introduced each of the guests to the school. After the felicitation we had two different dance performances performed by the students. After this an inspirational speech was delivered by Fr. Superior General. The program ended with the National Anthem.

Dipanjali Swargiary IX B



The very first issue of "Desalites News & More" is in your hands. It is meant to share the experiences, events and achievements of our family—the family of SFS. Writing helps us to express ourselves better. It can be the greatest tool to communicate. The most powerful tool for a writer is not our vocabulary, our mastery of grammar or even our fancy computer—it's our voice within. Our unique blend of description, character and style allows us to talk to readers through printed words. Big, Powerful words are not important but the combinations of words are. It's how we combine the words and make the essence of our story. Get hold of these printed pages and enjoy reading. Reading is fun.

A special thanks to Rev. Fr. George Thomas the principal of our school for guiding us all the time to publish it. We would also like to thank the students for writing the events of our school and helping us from different sides.

Editorial



Photo Gallery







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