



St. Mary's School, Mohali

Session-2022-23

Annual Report

INTRODUCTION

St Mary's School, Mohali, is an offshoot of St Mary's school Chandigarh, run and managed by The Orthodox Syrian Church Society, Chandigarh (Regd). It is an un- aided, recognized, co-educational, Secondary School, affiliated to CBSE. Our school was established in April 2018, under the aegis of The Orthodox Syrian Church Society, Chandigarh. The new school building was inaugurated on 4th March, 2018 by H. G. Dr. Youhanon Mar Demetrios (Metropolitan of Delhi Diocese, Indian Orthodox Church).

It has been in existence for the past 5 years, and it got the Recognition from the Directorate of Education in 2020 and Affiliation from CBSE in 2021. The school was upgraded to Secondary with Classes IX and X in April 04, 2022. The first batch of our school will appear for class X from CBSE board in the academic session 2023 -24.

Aim: The aim of the school is to provide opportunities for all pupils to learn and to be useful and contributing citizens. The school curriculum aims to promote holistic i.e. moral, social, intellectual, cultural and entrepreneur development of each child and prepare all its students for the opportunities, responsibilities and challenges of life.

Our Long Term Goal is to make a child, capable of carving a niche, for himself/herself in this world. We reach out to the family through the child for empowering the family.

The Annual Report showcases the achievements, and glories of our school, undoubtedly, but also makes us think deeply, about our shortcomings. We have always been committed, to create an environment in the school, which helps the young minds, to blossom and provide a platform, for individual thinking and holistic development of the child's personality. We set standards and goals for be it in the area of academics, sports, discipline, leadership and more.

ACADEMICS

“The philosophy of the school classes of one generation, will be the philosophy of the government in the next.”

The academic year 2022- 23 commenced on Monday, 4th April 2022 with a special prayer session. The management and the staff extended a cordial welcome to all the students and the staff ushered them to their respective new classes. A strong leadership acts as the back bone of any institution and our school was specially blessed with the appointment of a charismatic and far-sighted personality Fr. Aju Abraham as the chairman of the school from July 2022. In the month of April 2022, Mr. CP Davis was appointed as the principal of the school, his experience and commitment along with that of the entire staff members took the institution to a new heights. Starting with a few students and staff members, the school has undergone immense changes during these few years and now the students strength has gone up to 550 and staffs- teaching and non-teaching- have gone up to 50 above. We give all glory to the Almighty God for what is being done to us. The activity based curriculum is being adopted and executed by our vibrant teachers to make the learning fun and entertainment. Different activities and competitions are being conducted for the overall development of our children from base level so that we can polish these roughs to precious ones in the experienced hands of our staff.

I wish to begin with our performance on the academic front. Achieving academic excellence is at the heart of our endeavour as educators. Academic achievements reflect a demonstrated ability to perform to the best of one's ability by developing one's intellectual potentials and skills with diligence and ardour.

Our students irrespective of classes have done wonderfully well in the academic front. A strong enthusiasm and vigour is found in everyone in the academic front. The recognition and consequent affiliation from the CBSE was a shot at the arms. Everyone is very keen to perform whole heartedly. **The school was able to achieve a commendable position in academics because:**

- The school caters to the holistic development of its students.
- Emphasis is given to curriculum, value education and latent talent development.
- English is given the utmost importance along with Hindi and Punjabi
- Computer aided and smart learning is encouraged and computer classes from class L.K.G. upwards is provided.
- Library classes are incorporated into the timetable of all classes to develop reading habits.
- Science practical classes are integrated to the class timetable for classes from VI to IX.
- Additional support is provided to the needy students.
- Individual Attention for every child either directly by the teacher or by mentors are some of the features.

EXAMINATION:

‘ Before anything else . Preparation is the key to success.’

The academic performance of the students were assessed periodically through class tests, two periodic tests and two semestral examinations.

OLYMPIADS & QUIZ

"The quality of your thinking, determines the quality of your mind."

Various quizzes and Olympiads were conducted in different subjects in the session 22-23 to encourage and develop the all-round development of the students.

SCHOOL HOUSES

"Strength does not come from physical capacity, it comes from unity." The students of the school are divided into four different houses, namely Bose, Gandhi, Nehru and Shastri. Each House is managed by Teachers and Students as House Captain, House Vice-Captain and as House Prefects. Intra school competitions and assemblies are conducted under the various houses to inculcate the team spirit among the students. The House on duty, performs its duty of conducting the day-to-day activities, and competitions in a systematic and disciplined manner.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

PROVERB EXPANSION COMPETITION:

A Proverb Expansion Competition was held on April 22, 2022 for the classes VI-VIII.

INTER CLASS DANCE COMPETITION: - International dance day is celebrated every year on April 29 hence on this day a Dance Competition was conducted in the school for the students from IV to IX.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY: The Investiture ceremony was held on 11 May, 2022 to recognize the achievements of the chosen ones.

INTER HOUSE ENGLISH RECITATION COMPETITION: An Inter - House English Recitation Competition

was conducted by St. Mary's School, Mohali for the entire school on 12.07.2022 & 15.07.2022.

INTER HOUSE FOLK DANCE COMPETITION:

An Inter-House Folk Dance Competition was organized on July 22, 2022.

The participants showcased a beautiful extravaganza and mesmerized the Judges and audience.

INTER HOUSE SCIENCE QUIZ COMPETITION: The Science department organised an Inter- House Science Quiz on July 27, 2022 in honour of father of genetics “Gregor Mendel”.

SOLO PATRIOTIC DANCE COMPETITION: An Inter house Solo Patriotic dance competition was organised in the school for classes I to V on August 6, 2022.

INTER HOUSE PATRIOTIC GROUP SONG COMPETITION: An Inter-House patriotic group song competition was organized on 10 August 2022 in the school.

RAKHI MAKING COMPETITION: The auspicious festival of Raksha Bandhan was celebrated at St. Mary's School Mohali by organizing a Rakhi Making Competition for the classes L. K. G. and U. K. G on 10th August, 2022.

BEST OUT OF WASTE: In an initiative to generate the habit of using old things to create beautiful crafts among children, a Best Out of the Waste competition was organised for classes VI to IX on 20th August 2022.

INTER HOUSE LETTER WRITING COMPETITION: An Inter House letter writing competition was held by English department on 1st October, 2022. Students of all four houses participated in the competition and showed their excellence in writing skills.

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION: A Fancy-dress competition was held for the students of Pre Primary section on 7th October 2022. The theme of this competition was 'Our Freedom Fighters'.

ANNUAL DAY: To give an opportunity to the students to showcase their talents as well as their learnings, we organised an enthralling annual function on 10th December 2022. Participation by most of the students was the most remarkable aspect of this cultural festival. It really depicted the team spirit and the commitment of all the stakeholders of the school.

ANNUAL SCIENCE EXHIBITION: The science exhibition was conducted on 21 January 2023. The main objective was to develop scientific temper and 21st century skills that students need to develop.

SPORTS

"To be a great champion, you must believe you are the best. If you are not, keep on trying."

Sports inculcate the spirit of positive challenges & sportsmanship among the students and prepare them for the life ahead. Sports, Games and Physical Fitness occupy a place of importance in our curriculum. We at St Mary's give lots of concentration in the field of indoor and outdoor sports. The school has a wonderful playground with the facilities of Football, Cricket, Basketball, Kho-Kho and volleyball. We also encourage students to spend time in indoor activities too.

INTER HOUSE CHESS AND CARROM COMPETITION: An Inter - House Chess and Carroms competition were organized for the classes III to IX in the last week of July 2022
The students participated enthusiastically and showcased their talent and skills.

INTER - HOUSE BADMINTON COMPETITION: An Inter - House Badminton Competition was organised for the classes VI to IX on 29 & 30 August 2022. Excellent sportsmanship was the highlight of the event.

ART AND CULTURE

St. Mary's school Mohali, adhering to the instruction and vision of the 'National Education Policy 2020' gives due importance to activity-oriented curriculum. It does the best to bring out the best in the students in every sphere. Hence ample opportunities are given to the students to develop their innate talents through dance, music and art classes by the professional teachers. To invigorate the spirit of healthy competition and to enable the students to accept success and failure in a healthy manner various art and cultural competitions are conducted throughout the year.

CELEBRATIONS:

VANMAHOTSAV WEEK: St. Mary's School Mohali celebrated 'Vanmahotsav Week' from 4th July to 8th July 2022 in the school premises. A special assembly was conducted on this occasion. The school conducted different activities like Poster making for senior classes, Clay Modelling Competition for junior classes, planting of saplings etc. The main purpose of celebration was to create awareness among the students about the trees and to encourage students to plant more and more trees.

LABOUR'S DAY CELEBRATION: On May 2, 2022 Labour's Day was celebrated with full enthusiasm. Children expressed gratitude by giving self-made cards and flowers to the supporting staff in the school.

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION: Mother's day was celebrated on May 9, 2022, to aware students about importance of mother in one's life. Teachers made an earnest effort to instil the importance of mother through various cultural programme.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES DAY: To inculcate the habit of eating fruits and vegetables among children, the kindergarten section celebrated FRUITS AND VEGETABLES DAY on Monday, 25th July 2022. Students came dressed up in fruit and vegetables attire. They also recited melodious rhymes. Their confidence and enthusiasm were really appreciable.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION: This day was celebrated with great zeal and enthusiasm. The whole school premise was decorated with tri-colour flags and balloons. The students of the school presented a colourful extravaganza which enchanted the heart of everyone present there.

JANAMASHTAMI CELEBRATION: Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated with great pomp and festivity by the students on 18th August 2022. A special assembly was conducted on this occasion. Dressed as Radha and Krishna, the cute little ones added a traditional touch to the entire celebrations when they danced to the beat of Janmashtami songs, filling the air with joy and festive spirit. Different art activities were also organised in the classes like pot decoration, flute decoration etc.

NATIONAL SPORTS DAY: National Sports Day was celebrated on 29 August 2022, by conducting a special assembly. The students delivered speeches, poems and remembered the achievements and contributions made by Major Dhyan Chand. The theme of the assembly was importance of physical fitness.

ST. MARY'S Day's. Mary's day was celebrated on 7th Sep 2022, A special assembly was organized to celebrate this event. The stage was beautifully decorated by the students with beautiful presentation.

TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION: Teachers 'day was celebrated on 5 September 2022 to pay tribute to Dr. Radhakrishnan. St Marians celebrated this day with great zeal. The students presented a beautiful extravaganza in the honour of their teachers.

HINDI WEEK: Hindi Divas is celebrated on 14th September each year. On account of this, the Hindi Department of St. Mary's School, Mohali organized the Hindi week which includes special assemblies, story writing, slogan writing and essay writing.

GANDHI JAYANTI: The birthday of India's greatest leader Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was celebrated on 1st October 2022, with great enthusiasm.

DUSSEHRA CELEBRATION: A special assembly on the occasion of Dussehra was conducted on 4th October, 2022. The students presented speech glorifying the importance of this festival and school choir presented a melodious song. Which showcased the victory of good over evil.

DIWALI CELEBRATION: To inculcate the values of goodness, love and brotherhood among our students. The school organized various activities on October 21, 2022 including POSTER MAKING COMPETITION. A special assembly was conducted to highlight the importance of Diwali festival. The students from classes IV to IX took part in the Anti- Cracker Rally, holding the posters in their hands. Besides this, the students from classes LKG to V participated in DIYA AND CANDLE MAKING COMPETITION and showcased their talent by decorating diyas. AN INTERHOUSE RANGOLI COMPETITION was also organized in which students made beautiful Rangolis and enchanted the heart of everyone.

GURU NANAK DEV BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: A special assembly was conducted on 7th November,2022, by Pre Primary students to celebrate Gurupurab, the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev ji. The festival was celebrated by all the students with great pride, honour and respect.

PUNJABI WEEK: Punjabi week was celebrated from 7 November 2022 to 11 November 22 with fervour.. A special assembly was conducted where students spoke about the importance of Punjabi Language.

NATIONAL EDUCATION DAY: A Special assembly was conducted on 11 November2022 in the school to emphasize on the importance of education in one's life. Students expressed their views through speeches and poems.

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION: Children's day was celebrated on 14 November 2022 .All the teachers together conducted a special assembly and a fancy dress competition for classes I-IX.

WORLD AIDS DAY: A special assembly was conducted on 1st December 2022 in the school to create awareness among the students.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: Christmas was celebrated on 22 December 2022 in the school in which students participated well and showcase their talents through different activities like dance, carols and plays etc.

LOHRI CELEBRATION: Lohri is a celebration of arrival of longer days after the winter solstice in Asian Time, Lohry was celebrated in the school on 13January 2023.

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION: Republic Day was celebrated on 26 January 2023, in the school premise. Students participated in the cultural programme. They were made aware about the importance of the day.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

SPORTS

PLAYER NAME	EVENT / GAME	ZONAL / DISTRICT/ STATE	POSITION	CLASS
GURNOOR KAUR	CHESS	ZONAL	BRONZE	VIII
JAPNOOR KAUR	CHESS	ZONAL	BRONZE	VIII
MAHI SINGH	CHESS	ZONAL	BRONZE	VII
GURNOOR KAUR	GYMNASTIC	DISTRICT	SELECTED FOR STATE	VIII
GURNOOR KAUR	GYMNASTIC	STATE	3 GOLD 3 SILVER BEST PLAYER (TROPHY)	VIII
GURNOOR	GYMNASTIC	KHED VATAN MELA 2022	2 GOLD 3 SILVER 1 BRONZE	VIII
HERIHT REDHU	SKATING	STATE CHAMPIONSHIO	SILVER	I
AAKRITI	ATHLETIC LONG JUMP	DISTRICT	GOLD	V
AAKRITI	ATHLETIC 60MTR	DISTRICT	BRONZE	V
SAHIBDEEP SINGH	TAEKWANDO	TAEKWANDO CUP	BRONZE	IV

PARAMJOT SINGH	CRICKET	OPEN CRICKET TOURNAMENT	MAN OF THE MATCH	VI
YADIRA RANA	TAEKWANDO	ISKF KARATE COMPETITION	YELLOW BELT	U.K.G ROSE

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS :

JAIDEEP SINGH of class I ZINNIA brought laurels to the school by winning Rs.10000/- STATE LEVEL ARITHMETIC GENIUS all India Inter – School Contest conducted by SIP Academy.

TEACHERS INSERVICE TRAINING & WORKSHOPS

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow, Learn as if you were to live forever."

In keeping with the school's policy of continuous up gradation of knowledge and skills, our teachers attended various workshops and seminars on 22nd June 2022 and 28th March 2023 organized by the school so as to improve their academic transaction skills and to update their capabilities.

CONCLUSION

Many milestones have been achieved and many still have to be reached. We at St Mary's will continue our unceasing efforts to mould the young minds into well balanced personalities with confidence and zeal befitting the standards of this portal of education. This report is a sincere attempt to showcase our progress in terms of achievements and activities during the year.

I take this opportunity to thank Fr. Aju Abraham the chairman and the members of the managing committee for their visionary support and for leading the school from the front to the new heights. The management team is always there to help the school to progress and move ahead with all the needed facilities. I thank them for their support.

All my staff teaching, Admin and support staff are always ready to lend their helping hand so that we could achieve the milestones with courage and strength.

We are blessed with wonderful parents community and civil administration. Their ever extending support and suggestion to take the school ahead is admirable. I take this opportunity to appreciate and thank them for their generosity and concern.

On this memorable occasion as we recount our success with pride and happiness, we wish to dedicate all our achievements to the committed effort of a committed team called St Mary's School. We humbly salute our visionary leaders of the past and the great ones of the present and seek divine grace and blessings to guide us in all our endeavours.

I would like to conclude by quoting our School Motto As all of us are carriers of the light given to us by our founding members let's be persons By Love We Serve.

Thank You.

Principal

