

ST FRANCIS DE SALES COLLEGE

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“Focussing only upon the past or on the future obscures the only time that really matters: the present” says SFS.

After enrolling more than 300 students, the academic year began with Ekaivya, welcoming the freshers to the college. Orientation was given along with bridge course to the new comers and a day of renewal and retreat for the seniors. This year we have organised more than 85 programmes of academic and cultural as well as sports to mould and form Desalites for a challenging world. Free and fair elections were conducted for the students' Council. All the National as well as state days of importance were celebrated such as Independence day, Republic day, Yoga day, Kannada Rajyothsava, NSS day, Gandhi Jayanthi, Basava jayanthi, Ambedkar Jayanthi, Army Day, Women's day and so on.

Festivals of importance also were celebrated such as Onam, Pongal, Sankranti, Ethnic day, Africa day, Vanamahotsav and a lot others.

FIRST TIME EVENTS:

Our college altered its time table. We begin our college at 8.00 a.m. now instead of 9.30 a.m. a change brought in to help students to attend the classes with fresh minds, to reach college without much traffic hustles and to enable Desalites to go for part time jobs after college hours. I am proud to say that changing of college timings has brought in better results, better job opportunities and very good attendance.

Earn and learn programme has succeeded in self-employment of more than 200 Desalites who go to earn after their college hours. Uniform was introduced which has transformed the life style of the students who not only look smart but are also disciplined.

On July 3rd we blessed & inaugurated the Our Campus radio christening it: quills quake. The radio functions in the morning and during the break hours giving essential information and entertainment to the Desalites. The radio is organised by both staff and the students.

We received permission for post-graduation courses, a long cherished moment for SFS College, from the Bangalore University. We began five PG courses and they are : M Sc Psychology, M. Com, M Com Financial Analysis, MA- English, MA Journalism and communications. Since we got the permission bit late we could begin two PG courses with eight students. We wish to have a good admissions coming academic year.

- An hour with principal programme was introduced where in students could interact with the principal and share their views.
- Foundation cup was introduced which would be conducted only for PUC students across the country on 24th October every year.
- Hall tickets for all internal exams was introduced.
- National level seminar for students' seminar was organised for the first time in our college wherein all the four departments had it on the same day. This was the first of its kind in Anekal Taluk where UG students presented their research papers.
- Students producing and directing films such as 48 HOURS, another one lined up for its release.
- Departmental Monthly Desalite Newsletters under various sub titles.
- *INFINITY* – the guest Lectures week
- Feliz Navida – Christmas gathering for staff and their family
- Training by Police department for our students on various topics such as traffic rules, safety, saving fuel campaign etc.
- National level seminar paper presentations of the students is published
- We introduced Batch gathering of final years and

Some special programmes that we undertook this year were

- Blood donation camp in collaboration with Narayana Hrudayala and St John's Hospitals, a joint venture of NCC and NSS.
- In collaboration with Art of Living a six kilometres student rally was organised to bring awareness about protection of women in our surroundings.
- Two TVs dedicated for news
- New two News zones created
- Two new labs – Physics and Chemistry

We were happy to receive students from Poland, Germany, Austria and other European countries. We were happy to collaborate with Dayton University, Ohio, United States of America for student exchange programmes as well as staff exchange programmes. We are also happy to inform you that we are invited by Desales University, Pennsylvania, USA for similar programme. We have MoUs with more than ten organisations that help our students to academically achieve greater heights.

It was a moment of pride as our Vice-principal Fr Jijo Manjackal received his Gold medal for his M Sc Mass communication and journalism from Bangalore University. We are also proud of Ms. Nidhi Nagaraj Hegde, who stood highest in Psychology in Bangalore University. We are also proud of Desalite Kulandairaj who obtained highest marks in Tamil in Bangalore University.

We would like to place on record the services rendered by Fr Timson (4 years was the Vice-Principal), Prof. Vinay Kumar, Prof. Kumarswamy, Prof. Daisy, Prof. Shinu, Mr. Rinju, Mr Bipin (the HR) who served the college with dedication.

ACHIEVERS: We have a bee line of achievers who have shown a great deal of courage and commitment in various fields. We have Desalite Vimal Clinton who received DIG award at New Delhi for being the best NCC Cadet. We have Imran, Charles, Dinesh, Arpitha, Yeshashwini, Sheela, Pallavi, Pooja, Harsha who represented Karnataka state at national level sports, Represented Bangalore university at national level in Chennai in the sports field such as women's football, softball, and men's softball as well as baseball tournaments. We are proud to have Desalite Kiran, a wrestler who has bagged more than five first prizes in wrestling at state level competitions. Many Desalites have taken part in various cultural, sports and literary competitions and have won prizes. I would like to congratulate all of them. We had more than two Faculty development Programmes conducted for the staff. We are proud to say that some of our faculty members have become resource persons for FDP in various institutions.

UGC sponsored one day national workshop on **Creative teaching for global competence** was organized on 23rd March 2017, Over 50 faculties from various colleges in Bengaluru and Tamil Nadu attended the workshop and found it very relevant. Dr. Shakuntala Katre Senior executive member NAAC and former registrar of Bangalore university, B.C.Prabhakar,

Director IQAC Bangalore university and Dr. Benny Prasad renowned instrumentalist were part of the inaugural session and the session was conducted by Dr. Samuel Johnson renowned faculty facilitator. Dr Keshav, placement officer, Bangalore University was the chief guest for the valedictory function.

24th Jan 2017 An International seminar was organized by the department of psychology and English literature on influence of neo Freudian theories in 20th century literature. Inaugurated by Rev.Dr. Thomas.C.Mathew, Vice Chancellor, Christ University. Keynote speaker was Dr. Darryl John Joseph Britto, Psychiatrist, Liverpool, UK. The seminar aimed at interpreting the author-oriented, reader-oriented and text-oriented approach with reference to Psychology and English literature.

Awareness programmes and seminars: waste management programme & recycling was given by Dr. Phinu from Christ University. An "Awareness to Prevent Ovarian and Breast Cancer" was organized by Women's Cell on 5th August, 2016. March 8th international woman's day was celebrated and Mrs. Mrs. Shivarathna, Sub Inspector of Police, Hebbal, Lokayukta inspired the girls.

International yoga day, drug awareness day, womens day, tourism day etc were celebrated in the college.

We are proud to announce that we are the only college in Karnataka to receive a full NCC Company to our credit. We have been granted a vacancy of 160 NCC cadets. Our cadets have bagged many awards such as DIG Commendation in New Delhi by Vimal Clinton, CM Commendation for this year from the Government of Karnataka. Our Desalites in Karnataka Civil Defence also have shined and brought glory to the college and to the state as well. International day of Drug Abuse, Health Camp, Village adoption, Tree plantation, Women Harassment Rally, Blood and Organ Donation drive, NCC Awareness program, Trekking, Yoga and Personality Development, Disaster management, Self Defence and Marathons were organised by NCC in collaboration with NSS.

NSS Unit organized many programs other than what is mentioned above, visit to GKVK, helping University of Bangalore during its NAAC visit, one week village adoption at Chennapatna and pulse polio camp. Karthik R, an NSS Volunteer was one of

the three representatives from the Bangalore University in the State Level Brainstorming Conference with Shri. Pramod Madhwaraj, the State Minister for Sports and Youth Service Department, held at Udupi on Sep 27, 2016.

We have more than fifteen students' associations functional in the college.

Facilities:

Our auditorium was renovated to convert it into a serene theatre with perfect sound system, a New Physics lab, upgradation of Library, two News zones where the News can be watched the whole day, special room for ministerial staff with dining and locker facilities, individual filing system of students where the students' performance can be tracked, business lab was renovated with wonderful carpet. A spacious reception to welcome the guests and visitors. Birds cages were built to bring homely atmosphere for stressed children. Introducing IELTS, TOFFLE courses in the campus in collaboration with Manjoorans.

LAUNCHING AN APP: Our College reached another bench mark by launching an application for the college. Now anyone can have us and the information about our college on their fingertips. Thanks to INTEGRO – our partners in developing the app as well as upgrading our website from time to time.