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From the Principal's Desk

Rev. Fr. Nilson Davis CMI

UNITY, THAT STARTS WITH 'YOU'

Dear Christites,

What comes to our mind when we think about the word Unity can be either a famous proverb or a tale of birds that tricked the hunter. This word that means 'stay together or united in all situations' has a great value in all walks of life as this is a paramount quality that enables us to surmount any challenges and accomplish any goal. Though we are taught to compete with one another at every step in our life we are also taught to stay united and to imbibe it to our life to live a healthier and happier life. We have already witnessed the value of unity when the pandemic broke out and the flood devoured the lives of many. It is the unity and selfless service of the frontline workers that brought life back to normal.

Recently, I read about a Kerala village's massive drive to save a toddler's life. In order to raise 8 Crores to pay for his medical treatment the villagers joined hands together and adopted various methods to raise fund to save the toddler's life. The values of unity and humanity were held up when the students broke their piggy banks and the workers donated their daily wage for this purpose. Even the women at home did their level best by selling Payasam and Biriyanis to support the toddler's need and the result was awesome! They wrote history by collecting the required amount within a very short span of time. Unity gives us courage and strength. Staying united is very important even if we want to raise our voice against an injustice in a society, fight against a pandemic or a natural calamity. When we stand united, we can fight against anything or anyone as we become more powerful.

Unity is an important element for students as well. Being united leads them to team work and a better team work teaches them essential communication and social skills, active listening and effective speaking. They learn how to listen to one another in order to function as a cohesive unit. Even the most introverted and quietest members of the team can become active participant and learn to enjoy team activities.

Strong team work of teachers creates strong schools. A well united team can run like a well-oiled machine and can clearly define their goals and roles, establish trust and encourage open communication. Effective team improve teaching and learning, nurture relationships and increase job satisfaction.

We see there are innumerable benefits of staying in unity as we can accomplish big tasks and nurture everyone in a better way. So, stay united and stay blessed. Excelsior my dear Christites.



Vice Principal's Message

Unity is Strength is a well-known proverb. It means if we stay together then nobody can break us. It is the capacity to defeat any obstacles that exist in this world. It is said that anyone can break a single stick but it is difficult to break a bunch of sticks. However, it has best been explained through the story of a farmer and his sons. The sons could not break a bundle of sticks when they were asked to do it individually however when they were asked to perform the same task jointly they could do it easily. This clearly explains that when people come together they can perform even a difficult task with ease.

Unity means union or togetherness. Strength is basically the direct result of Unity. A group of people which stays united always achieves more success than a single person. That's why groups are created in almost every field such

as Schools, office, military forces, sports, etc. In our personal lives too, we live together in the family which give us strength and power to bear our sufferings and celebrate our happiness. At office, teams are formed to achieve any desired result. Likewise in sports and military, groups are created and strategies are made to achieve something. In our school too we have different groups through which we can grow united and achieve many achievements for our school life.

In olden days, man lived alone. He travelled and hunted all by himself which sometimes gave opportunities to fierce animal attack and kill him. Then he realized that if he joined hands with other hunters, he would be able to face several common dangers and challenges. This is how, villages got formed which later got developed into the towns, cities and the countries. Unity teaches us to be disciplined; it makes us polite and considerate and the lesson to live together in harmony and peace. Unity gives us the confidence and power to demand things and achieve result. Even in factories, etc. labourers work in group and form union, if they are undermined or suppressed by the owners. People who work alone can be defeated easily and they little or no confidence to fight for their rights but if they work in groups, they can achieve wonders.

Unity is the greatest quality of mankind. No single person can achieve, what is to be achieved by a group of people. The real strength lies in being united. A country is strong whose citizens are united; a family is strong whose members stay together. There are several examples which prove that united we stand, divided we fall. Thus unity is important in each and every sphere of our lives.

Fr. Martin Onasseril CMI

Financial Administrator's Message

UNITY

My Dear Christites,

I am sincerely happy to reflect on this beautiful theme of “Unity”. The English word “Unity” is etymologically related to the Latin *ūnitās*, which comes from *ūnus* (“one”). But the word “unity” goes far beyond being “one”. In fact, its meaning and significance come from an entirely opposing milieu. “Unity” acquires its meaning and significance from the reality of differences, invoking to the attitude of rising above the differences that “many” would create and vibrate.

We are existentially faced with two opposing realities – on the one side we experience the fact of differences in every sphere of life such as religions, politics, languages, nationalities, cultures, ethnicity etc. On the other hand, there is a deep call within ourselves and in the civilized world to rise above these forces that divide us and to meet at a converging point where we all are willing to be one, while accepting the beauty of our heterogeneity. This can well be compared to an impressive musical atmosphere wherein a harmony is created not by mortifying the rhythms and tunes of different musical instruments, but by fostering and converging each different one into a symphony. The differences that we see and experience are not annihilated in “unity”, but they are fostered and fused into a harmonious whole.

My wish and prayer are that we all experience true unity in our nation, in all our institutions and wherever we live. Let our differences and heterogeneity be our great contribution for our nation and to the whole world. May God grant us the true experience of unity and harmony in our life!!

Fr. Reji Koodappattu CMI



United we stand, divided we fall

Unity is one of the best natures of humanity. No single individual can achieve what a gathering of individuals can perform together.

We all are familiar with the saying- "Sticks in a bundle are unbreakable." It indeed becomes difficult to break a bundle of sticks altogether. The challenging task is to remain as a group, huddled together when something or someone tries to break you. There is no doubt about the fact that the strength lies in unity. There are many stories, real incidents and experiences to prove this. It is our responsibility to maintain this unique feature.

No one can grow alone. We need support from others. If we want to grow in business, we need team members. If we need to grow our family, we need a partner. If we have to achieve big success in our society, we need to work together towards that success. To remain united, we should not break anyone's trust. At times, it becomes tempting to go behind someone's back for a greater opportunity for ourselves. But losing someone's trust, losing a kindred soul is a greater loss that cannot be filled up with any opportunity we may have obtained.

Unity gives us the courage, hope and strength. Whenever we see injustice in our society, we feel like raising our voice but most of the time we take a step back because we are scared to fight alone. When we get support from others then we can get the courage to fight together for injustice. When we are united, we can bring the change. So, unity not only gives hope and courage but also brings a change.

Hence, we know that unity plays an important role in every aspect and always has a very good impact on everyone's life. It also has a power to change the entire world but it totally depends on us that against what we all are getting united.

Dear Christites, when we work as a team, we get motivated by each other and encouraged to work harder. With motivation and hard work, we can accomplish any goal.



Ms Mini Manuel
Editorial Board

July AT A GLANCE

- * CLUB INAUGURATION
- * VANAMAHOTSAVA-2022
- * RELEASE OF THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
- * COLOROTHON
- * TALENTS DAY
- * HOLY MASS

RELEASE OF MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

On 29th July 2021, Christ School ICSE released our monthly Newsletter Excelsior- Ever upward and still higher. The theme of the year 2022-23 is Luminaries. With the support and ideas of our ever-helping guide Fr Nilson Davis CMI, principal – Christ ICSE, the editorial team successfully published the first edition of the 12th volume of the newsletter.



COLOROTHON 2022

With the commencement of the 75th year of India's Independence, Christ School ICSE was possessed with an endeavour to make it a year to go down in history. Christ School ICSE had organized a collage competition to commemorate the 75th year of India's Independence. There were 72 groups of students along with 3 groups of teachers who came together to create a collage of events that had occurred from the year of Independence, i.e., 1947 to 2022. Around 2650 students participated in this celebratory evocation thus creating a world record. Under the title of "Amazing Brilliance", Christ School ICSE claimed the King's Book of World Record for such a creative endeavour.

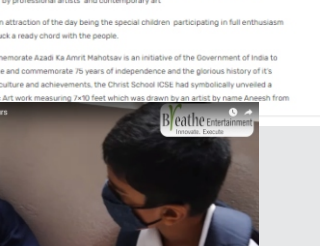
To commemorate the 75th year of India's Independence, our Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi initiated "Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsava" to celebrate the glorious history of our country. Christ School ICSE also participated in this major festival in association with Hosachiguru Colorathon which is the largest community drawing and painting fest for the students, parents and teachers. It received over 3600 participants which included students from grade 1 to 10, parents, teachers and even family members who emulsified the campus of Christ School ICSE as diversely as our country. To this endeavour too, Christ School ICSE was honoured with yet another world record. The Exclusive World Record honoured the school for such a colouring fest on 15th of August, 2022. The inventiveness and the dire urge to reach the pinnacle can only keep the man with a vision awake. Christ School ICSE is truly honoured to have such a visionary as the Principal, Father Nilson Davis Pallissery CMI, under whom we received such distinguished recognition. These events had a wide media coverage and was an experience which will always be cherished.





Christ School ISCE, along with Rev. Fr. Martin Onasseril CMI, Vice Principal, Rev. Koodanattu, Financial Manager, Rev. Fr. Feni CMI, Director of Special School and

Joseph, Director, Breathe Entertainment and Founder- Colorthon.



INDIAN NEWS

Christ School ICSE, Celebrates 75th Year of Independence Day with a Million Colours by hosting HOSACHIGURU COLOROTHAN SEASON 14 Christ School ICSE Enters into to 2 world records namely Exclusive World Records and Kings Book of Records.



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CLUB INAUGURATION

School clubs are an integral part of the learning process and helps a student to explore the latent qualities and hone the innate talent that a student has. The club inauguration for the academic year 2022-2023 happened on 2nd of July, 2022. The Chief Guest of the day was Ms Keerthi Sengar, an educationist and the Principal of Outreach School, Wilson Garden. The official inauguration was done by Ms Keerthi, our Principal Father Nilson Davis Pallissery, CMI and Father Martin Onnasseril, CMI. There are four new clubs added this year for the enhancement and the all round development of the students, and they are Public Speaking and Training Club, Theatre Club, Dance Club and Music Club. All the clubs presented an activity to showcase their missions and objectives with regard to the club.





VANAMAHOTSAVA-2022

Nature is the purest portal to inner peace. The richness I achieve comes from Nature, the source of my inspiration.

We the students of Nature Club on this occasion of Vanamahotsava planted saplings in our school campus by our beloved Principal, Coordinators and the nature club leaders.

Karnataka Forest Department issued more than thousand saplings, which were distributed among the students and the teachers of our school, under the guidance of our dear Principal, Fr Nilson Davis. Each student was given a sapling to take care instilling them the need of a greener earth at their homes. This distribution of saplings indeed energized and invigorated the members of the Nature Club.

We place our hearty thanks to Our Principal, Fr Nilson Davis and the teachers incharge of the Nature Club for giving us this wonderful opportunity to be one with nature, which will be cherished by us forever.

Ritaj Khadeer
Class - 9C



ESPERANZA 2K22

Express Yourself

“All of us may not have equal talent but all of us have equal opportunities to develop our talent,” said Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam.

With this thought in mind, Christ school ICSE organized ESPERANZA 2K22- Express Yourself, the Talents Competition to unleash the hidden talents and nourish the talents in students and also to appreciate the unique talent in others.

The talents day was inaugurated by our Chief Guest Mr. Santhosh Reddy Business Entrepreneur / Model / Actor / Moto Enthusiast. Rev. Fr. Nilson Davis CMI, our Principal, Rev. Fr. Reji Koodapattu CMI, our Financial Administrator, Rev. Fr. Martin Onnaseril CMI, our Vice Principal.

Our Chief Guest Mr. Santhosh Reddy graced the occasion with his motivational words.

Students of classes 1- 10 were given the opportunity to show case their talents.

A preliminary round was conducted before the finals for the events, students actively participated in the event and have shown their enthusiasm and dedication in their efforts. Finals were conducted on 29th July, 2022. It was an extravaganza of creativity, artistic and cultural talents.

Congratulations to all winners of various events.

Ms. Ginu Jacob
LCA Committee









HOLY MASS

To mark the beginning of the new academic year, a Holy Mass was conducted on 26th of July, 2022. It was held mainly for the intentions of the students of Class 8. The main celebrant for the Holy Mass was Father Regi Koodapattu CMI. There were offerings by the students of Class 8. The air reverberated with melodious hymns and the reading was taken from Jer. - Chapter 14, 17 to 22. It was read by Beth George from Class 8B. The words of Father Regi were an awakening sermon where he said that the seeds sown in our hearts should be like the seeds sown in the land of God. He further stated that our actions and behaviour should only encompass goodness and should have a benevolent attitude towards one and all.



Smart Class Award for the Month of July



Class : IE
Class Teacher:
Ms. Seema Das

Class Leaders:
Nivin S D
Sunvisha C.Nair



Class : II C
Class Teacher:
Ms. Jessie Babu

Class Leaders:
Hiba Mariam
Vasudeva Pai B



Class : III G
Class Teacher:
Ms. Rilina Shalini

Class Leaders:
Keerthan Caverrappa
Jaasritha



Class :IV E
Class Teacher:
Ms. Deepa Dev

Class Leaders:
Chethan R Gowda
Mohitha N



Class : V C
Class Teacher:
Ms. Vandana Bernard

Class Leaders:
Inukonda Nanda Venkat Anjan
Hannah Treesa George



Class : VI G
Class Teacher:
Mr. David Raja

Class Leaders:
Mohammed Arhaan
Anya M



Class : VII B
Class Teacher:
Ms. Arshiya Tabasum

Class Leaders:
John Jacob
Gunjan Khandelwal



Class : VIII A
Class Teacher:
Ms. Smitha Francis

Class Leaders:
Abel Jose Thomas
Irene Cyriac



Class : IX C
Class Teacher:
Ms. Beena Koshy

Class Leaders:
Pradyun Kalawatia
Merlin Santosh



Class : X E
Class Teacher:
Ms. Ansamma Mathew

Class Leaders:
Samaya Harshitha.N
Ravi Kishore Reddy P

ACHIEVEMENT



Amogh Ravi Reddy
Class - 7 D



Anagha Abhinav Krishna
Class - 7 F

Amogh Ravi Reddy of class 7 D,
Anagha Abhinav Krishna of
class 7F and Gaana M of class 8
F were selected for National
Level Chess Competition.



Gaana M
Class - 8 F



Ivan Sijo
Class - 10 A



Firaz Noor
Class - 10 A

Ivan Sijo and Firaz Noor of class 10 A
won third place, Thushanth of 6G and
Shiva Teja of class 8 F won second
place and Syed Hasnain of class 8 F
won third place in KISA Karate
Competitions held at BNM Public
School, Banshankari.



Thushanth
Class - 6 G



Shiva Teja
Class - 8 F



Syed Hasnain
Class - 8 F



ALEENA ROY

A little about myself:

My educational background:

Completed B.A and M.A in English literature
and B.ed in English

***My birth date:** 9th May

***Zodiac:** Taurus

***My hobbies:** cooking, gardening and singing

***Favourite colour:** lavender and black

***Favourite movie:** Many

***Quality I admire about myself:** Positive

***Favourite food:** All Kerala food

***Ambition as a kid:** To be a better person

***Favourite book:** Alchemist

***Dream destination:** Whole World

***Favourite subject as a student:** Science and English

***Favourite quote/Motto in life:** Always stay positive and happy in life/
Always wanted to make my parents proud and happy



MAHUA BISWAS

A little about myself:

I am an excellent listener with endless patience and empathy and that's what I aspire to achieve as a teacher.

My educational background:

M.A , B. Ed

***My birth date:** 24th April

***Zodiac:** Taurus

***My hobbies:** Baking

***Favourite colour:** White

***Favourite movie:** Breakfast at Tiffany's

***Quality I admire about myself:** Perseverance

***Favourite food:** fish curry and rice

***Ambition as a kid:** can't remember

***Favourite book:** chander pahar
(one of the most famous bengali adventure novels in bengali literature)

***Dream destination:** Iceland/ Norway to see northern lights

***Favourite subject as a student:** Chemistry

***Favourite quote/Motto in life:** Tough time never last but tough people do



LALITHA BISHT

A little about myself:

My educational background:

Bcom graduate,
Master's in English literature
B.ed

***My birth date:** 27th October

***Zodiac:** Scorpio

***My hobbies:** Dancing / listening music/ watching theatre videos.

***Favourite colour:** no specific colour

***Favourite movie:** all horror movies.

***Quality I admire about myself:** being myself and being flexible.

***Favourite food:** jalabi (sweet)

***Ambition as a kid:** being a Airhostess.

***Favourite book:** sons and lovers by DH Lawrence.

***Dream destination:** Korea, Iceland, Thailand.

***Favourite subject as a student:** no favourite subject.

***Favourite quote/Motto in life:** happiness is homemade.



Riddle

Answer the Riddle within the next 24 hours and WIN an E-certificate from the Excelsior team!

RIDDLE FOR THE JULY

A red house is made from red brick.
A blue house is made from blue brick.
A yellow house is made up of yellow brick.
What is a green house made from?

To enter for a chance to win:

- ✓ Answer the riddle correctly and send it at the earliest.
- ✓ You can send your answer by tomorrow - 25th August, 2022 by 4:30 p.m.
- ✓ The first 10 correct answer shall be awarded with the E-certificates.
- ✓ Your time starts from today (24.08.22) at 4:30 p.m. and ends by tomorrow (25.08.22) at 4:30 p.m. Late answers will not be entertained.
- ✓ Mail your answers to:

christnewsletter2015@gmail.com

- ✓ Mention your NAME, CLASS, SECTION. Attach a formal photograph.

PUZZLE WINNERS - JUNE



Anika Devlokam (10 F)



Antony Steven Sajeew (5 D)



Arya Shetty (9 D)



Dominic Savio Sanjeev (6C)



Nadiveedi Jaswita (1B)



Shira Marlene (5C)



Syed Farhan (3G)



Sebastian (5D)