



# St. Michael's Academy



School Newsletter

## Principal's reflection

Dear Michaelites

"The beautiful thing about LEARNING is that nobody can take it from you." B.B. King.

In every educational institution the students are called to give their best in all aspects of school life. To do less than that, it does not do justice to the gifts that God has given to each one. We, at SMA recognize that teaching is a team sport and that learning should be a constant companion to all those who are involved with young minds.

The second edition of SMA's minibits for 2017, records how the values held at St. Michael's are reflected in the school's achievements and demonstrates the commitment to an education that encompasses academic, co-curricular and spiritual pursuits. The motto of our school - "Receiving to Share" sums up this approach. Our students are taught to develop their talents, not just for their own benefit but for the benefit of the wider community. As a result, they leave the school as well-rounded, thoughtful individuals imbued with the key quality of emotional intelligence so valued in today's competitive society.

We believe not only in shaping and moulding students academically but also fostering their enthusiasm whether it be Sports, Music, Drama or any of the myriad opportunities open to them at SMA. The success in carrying out all these activities is the result of the vision and excellence of our SMA family, and in particular the response and spirit of the students who are encouraged to bring out their best.

Let me also take this moment to wish the batch of 2016-17 (Be a Change, See the Change) all the best for their great future that is ahead of them. Just a note to say..... May you march confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the Life you've imagined. As you move into a new venture....may God's blessings and gifts be in abundance and success always be with you!

Dear parents and guardians, I'm sure that you are very proud of your sons and daughters. It was a great privilege working with them. Thank you for your trust in us.

May God Bless us.

With Love and prayerful wishes,  
**Rev. Bro. Jeyaseelan, Principal**

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## Retreat

St. Michael's Academy conducted a retreat on 15th October. The retreat began at 8 am and continued until 4 pm. Many inspirational speeches were given. The programme was well organized and it motivated the students.



## Sriram Tamil Literary Competition

On 22nd October 2016 the Sriram Tamil Competition was held for the students of St. Michael's Academy. Around six hundred students participated in the competition. There were many events like fancy dress, debate, mono-acting and speech competitions. The objective of the competition is to develop the students' linguistic and oratorical skills in the Tamil language. The prizes were awarded to all the winners and the children participated with great enthusiasm.



“ It is nice to have valid competition; it pushes you to do better. ”





## The festival of Light

On 27th of October, a very informative and colourful assembly was presented by the students of standard VII, on the theme "Green Diwali". The students emphasized that the purpose of the festival of lights was to spread happiness. The assembly was very appealing with a dazzling dance and enlightening songs



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## Children's Day - Juniors

The Junior School celebrated Children's Day on the 11th of November 2016. The children were dressed in colourful outfits. The classrooms were adorned with multi-coloured decorations and the atmosphere was lit up by the beautiful smiles of the little children.



## Children's Day - Seniors

A fun-filled assembly was presented by the teachers on the 14th of November 2016. They performed various dances such as Folk, Classical, Salsa and contemporary dances. The assembly had variety of popular songs and a thematic play. There was joy and enthusiasm among the students.







## Outreach

On the 9th of December the students visited the orphanage of Mother Teresa and gifted food grains and oil to them. The children in the orphanage who were physically and mentally challenged were delighted and interacted well with the students of St. Michael's Academy

## Bro. Pasca's Silver Jubilee

On the 29th of November a grand assembly was organized by the students and teachers to celebrate 25 years of selfless service of our beloved Vice Principal, Rev. Bro. Pasca. A play was enacted by our students on his childhood and his entry into the Patrician community. There were graceful dance performances by the students of 6th, 7th, 8th and 11th Classes.







## Christmas Assembly

On the 6th January 2017, a Christmas assembly took place depicting the Christmas story in a realistic manner along with harmonious songs sung by the Christmas choir followed by delightful dances.

Rev. Father Jacob, the Parish Priest of St. Louis Church, Adyar was the chief guest.







## Pongal

Pongal celebration was conducted on 12th of January which highlighted the importance of agriculture. Students danced and enacted a skit. The performance made everyone to understand the necessity of cultivation.



## Republic Day

The Republic Day assembly took place on 25th January. An interesting skit based on Peace and Unity was enacted by the students. The choir inspired the students with patriotic fervor.





## Sriram English Literary Competition

The Sriram English literary competition was held on the 19th of November for the students of St. Michael's Academy. Three hundred and sixty participants participated in various competitions which encouraged the students to be imaginative and this helped in perfecting their oratorical skills.

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## Spell Bee



Wordsworth Intellectual Services held their school level Spell Bee Competition in our school premises. We witnessed enthusiastic participation for the same. The examination was conducted in our school auditorium for all the categories right from category 1 to category 7.



## Class Assemblies

The students from standards I to XII took turns to exhibit their talents and skills, every Tuesdays and Fridays. This was based on spiritual and moral values with the sole purpose of inculcating good behaviour among the students.







## Club Activities (SUPW)

During the club activity classes, the students enjoy doing art and craft, gardening, origami, wire or plastic cable articles, floor wash, disinfectants and detergent power. They also had worked in some organizations such as home for the destitute, physically challenged, hospitals, clinics and factories which gave them rich experience of life.

“ Art in the classroom not only spurs creativity, it also inspires learning.”



Mohammed A



Kevin Romario K



Srinidhi K



Sheryl Olivia K

✍ Sheryl Olivia K of class 4 participated in the F2F State Level Competition for Primary students which was held in Don Bosco, Egmore and won the second place in fancy dress, oration, handwriting and essay writing competitions. She had also won the third place in Music Competition.



## Achievers

- ✍ Mohammed. A of class 7th participated at Mc. Evoy Tournament which was organized by St. Michael's Academy. He was declared the Semi-Finalist and received the promising Player Award.
- ✍ K. Kevin Romario of class 6th participated in various cricket Tournaments, Seven Star Cricket Academy, Friends Trophy, PSBB, NellaiNadar in U-13 category and was declared the Man of the Match.
- ✍ K.Srinidhi of class 6th won the third place in Karate KATA which was held in SHITO-RYU INDIAN KARATE ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP.