

# ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL, FIROZABAD ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

Good evening one and all present here,

It is my profound privilege to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to **The Most Rev. Dr. Raphy Manjaly, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Agra** and the **President of the Governing Body** of our school.

A very special welcome to our distinguished Chief Guest, Mr. Ramesh Ranjan, IAS, the Honorable District Magistrate of Firozabad.

Our esteemed Guest of Honor, Ms. Sonali Jindal, PCS, Assistant Commissioner Industries, a proud alumna of the 2007 batch of St. John's School.

It is our privilege to have our **Guest of honor Mr. Vishu Raja, PCS, ADM, Firozabad** admits us. We are grateful for your presence sir.

I also extend my warm greetings to the other distinguished guests, our dedicated parents, and my beloved students.

I take great pleasure in welcoming all of you on this special occasion of our school annual day celebration.

I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to **Rev. Sister Victoria**, **Rev. Sister Joshila** & the dedicated teachers of St. John's School. Firozabad.

It is customary to present the annual report of the school which showcases the achievements and endeavors that glorify our school. This report comprises of the achievements made during the scholastic year gone by and at the same time sets the path for greater accomplishments in the years to come. We have always been committed to creating an environment in the school which helps the young minds to blossom and provides a platform for individual thinking and holistic development of the child's personality.

**St. John's School, Firozabad is a co-educational Christian minority Institution**. It was established in the year 1988 and is owned and managed by the St. Dominic Education Society. The school has travelled a long distance leaving behind 36 memorable milestones of years. During these years St John's School steadily grew up to be a beautiful School that it is today, from a primary school to a high school and to an Inter College. At present the school has a team of **93** experienced and dedicated teachers along with **3** office staff and **28** supporting staff caring for **2466** students.We set standards and goals for ourselves and strive to achieve them - be it in the areas of academics, sports, art and cultural activities, ethics, discipline, leadership and more.

The academic session 2023-24 started on 3rd April with a special prayer service and morning assembly conducted by the teachers.

Celebrating first step of the child in his journey towards school education, is an important milestone in a child's life.

St. John's School Firozabad organized **Vidyarambh** ceremony on 5th April for Tiny Tots of kindergarten. **Rev. father Varghese Kunnath**, director of inter religious dialogue, Archdiocese of Agra was the chief guest and key speaker of the event.

10th July 2023 was a day of mixed feelings since it was a day of **farewell** to our dear Principal **Rev. Fr. Shaji Joseph** and **welcome** to our new Principal **Rev Fr. Vinoy P.M.** 

The **School Parliament** signifies the reliance and confidence that the school consigns into the future leaders of the nation, so the **investiture ceremony** was held on 27th July for the primary section and on 28 July for the senior section.

The selected students were honored with their respective badges. The student Council members took an oath to faithfully work for the school.

Achieving **academic excellence** is at the heart of our endeavour as educators.

Excellence in Academics is the Hallmark of any good Institution and class 10 and 12 results of the school prove without any doubt that our students have made us proud. We are happy to share the details of the commendable performances of our students.

In CLASS 10<sup>th</sup> Miss Ananya Jain stood first by securing 98.4% Master Harvansh Upadhyay stood second by securing 97.8% and Master Aryan Agarwal stood third by securing 97.6%.

In **CLASS 12<sup>th</sup>** science stream Master **Shubh Verma** stood first by securing **93.4%** Miss **Kajal Dishawar** stood second by securing **91.2%** Master **Kunal Jindal** stood third by securing **90.2%** 

Where as in commerce stream Master **Rishabh Mittal** stood first by securing **95%** Master **Shreshth Dixit** stood second by securing **94.4**% and Miss **Muskan Pangoria** stood 3rd by securing **94%** marks.

# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AT ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL

"Excellence is an art won by training and habituation."

We encourage students to participate in a variety of academic activities that extend beyond textbooks and classrooms. These competitions and events foster a spirit of healthy competition, intellectual curiosity, and self-confidence. These activities are categorized into three groups: Seniors, juniors, and Sub-Juniors, ensuring that every student has an opportunity to excel according to their level. Some of the events held regularly include:

Handwriting Competitions, Essay Writing, Speech and Slogan Writing, Poetry Recitation, Story Narration, Debates, Collage Making, Quiz Competition, Drawing & Painting Competition.

Our students also perform exceptionally well in competitive exams, and we are proud to organize (English, Science, Mathematics, G.K. & Cyber Olympiads). These Olympiads take place at both the local and national levels.

#### Swachhata Pakhwada Celebration (September 1-15, 2023)

St. John's School, Firozabad, actively participated in the Swachhata Pakhwada initiative, as directed by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE). The program aimed to spread awareness and promote cleanliness across the country.

# **CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

**Cultural fest 2023** was organized on 25th and 26th of August to showcase the talents of the budding artists through inter house competitions like debates, declamation, extempore, quiz, essay writing, storytelling, dramatics, singing and dancing & other cultural title competitions like Kala Shreshth, Kala Samrat and Kala Pratibha were conducted to bring out the all-round talents in students.

# **SPORTS ACTIVITIES**

We organized inter house competitions on basketball, badminton and Chess for both boys and girls. Football match for boys and Kho-Kho for girls were also conducted in the school campus.

The annual inter house athlete meet was held on November 9 and 10th 2023. Master Ujjwal Jose and Miss Manya were awarded athletes of the Year.

Inter School Badminton Championship season 1 was organized on 14th and 15th of October 2023. Christ the King Inter College Tundla and St. John's School Firozabad shared "The Champions Trophy" and cash prize.

In CBSE cluster competitions our school teams participated in Basketball, badminton and Taekwondo achieving remarkable positions. Our students won medals and trophies in chess championship and Taekwondo Championship. Inter house sports competition for juniors, (classes nursery to 5th) was held on 9th and 10th November 2023. There were frog race, spoon and marble race, 50 and 100m. race for students.

### SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

Our school celebrates and observes all the special days celebrated in India. The special assemblies are conducted by different houses to celebrate Holi, Raksha Bandhan, Dussehra, Diwali, Eid, Guru Nanak Jayanti, Christmas etc.

During the festivals and special days, the students showcase their talents by decorating School Bulletin boards which adds vibrant energy to the school environment and serve multiple educational and social purposes. It also enables our students to imbibe values associated with every religion and culture.

# NATIONAL DAYS

Our school takes pride in observing India's significant National days like Independence Day, Gandhi Jayanti, Republic Day with fervor and Patriotism. Students presented various cultural programs including songs dances, craft show etc. on these special days.

### **SPECIAL DAYS**

The annual exhibition **ESBIZIONE ARTISTICA 2023** held on November 25th at St. John's School was a grand culmination of academic prowess and creative brilliance of both primary and senior students. The exhibition was a showcase of creativity, Innovation and talent of all the students of St. Johns at its Zenith.

#### **EXPRESSION DAY** extravaganza at St. John's School Firozabad

On **9th Dec 2023** Our School witnessed a delightful celebration as the Tiny Tots from the kindergarten section showcased their talents on expression day. Their performances reflected not only creativity but also the nurturing environment provided by the school.

**Labour day** was celebrated with full zeal and zest on 6th May 2023 by the students of class 12<sup>th</sup>.

On **World Environment Day students took a pledge to protect the environment.** On 22nd July 2023 the students and staff came together for a cleanliness and plantation drive. They took a small but meaningful step towards a greener and cleaner future. **Children's day** was celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy. Teachers organized special programs to make the day memorable for the students.

**Teacher's day** was celebrated by the students to honor the dedication and hard work of our teaching faculty.

**The Christmas celebration** at St. John's School served as a beautiful prelude fostering a sense of togetherness and goodwill among the school community. The event instilled in the students the values that make Christmas a Truly special and meaningful occasion.

At this occasion warm clothes & blankets were collected by the council members and were distributed among the poor & needy people at Shikohabad.

# **TOURS AND PICNIC**

School life cannot be complete without the fun of educational tours and excursions. The school organized one day picnic to **Delhi, Kanpur** and **Agra** for the students of classes LKG to 11th in October 2023 and also an educational tour to **Shimla - Chandigarh** for the students of class 12<sup>th</sup>.

# **FAREWELL**

On 10th February, we bid adieu to the students of class 12th in a memorable farewell program.

Master Rishabh Mittal and Miss Ashika Gupta were declared as Master and Miss St. John's of the school respectively.

#### <u>Reports on Safal, Annual Scholarship and St. John's School Alumni Association.</u> 1.Online Assessment (SAFAL):

In adherence to the CBSE guidelines, an online assessment under the Structured Assessment for Analyzing Learning (SAFAL) was conducted in July for all students of classes VI and IX.

#### 2. Annual Scholarship Awards:

An annual scholarship of worth Rs 95,000/- was awarded to board toppers and meritorious students of the school as a recognition of their academic excellence. Most of the scholarships were generously sponsored by our esteemed alumni.

#### 3. St. John's School Alumni Association, Firozabad

Registered under the competent authority, St John's School Alumni association operates with a well-structured and transparent framework. We proudly unveiled

the official logo of this Association and formally constituted its executive committee.

The Alumni Association engages in a variety of meaningful activities, including social outreach programs, regular workshops for current

students, covering critical areas such as academics, mental and physical health, and career counseling, staff felicitation and alumni connect initiatives.

Through these endeavors, the Alumni Association continues to uphold the values and legacy of St. John's School.

The school newsletter, along with our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts, serves as a window into the vibrant activities of the school. These platforms are the spotlight of successes and achievements of our talented students.

# <u>Obituary</u>

With profound sadness we inform you of the passing of our two beloved members of St. John's family.

**Sister Alphonsa Joseph** our revered headmistress of primary section and **Mrs. Usha Arya** our esteemed former teacher.

May their soul rest in peace.

### Workshop by Firozabad police

Students of St John's School attended the workshops which was organized by the Firozabad police on gender equality, road safety awareness and fire safety awareness drill.

### Workshop attended by the teachers

Our teachers participated in numerous training sessions and workshops (both online and offline). Attendee teachers further share the knowledge with other fellow teachers widening the sphere of wisdom.

#### **Conclusion**

With this I would like to thank you for being a part of our journey.