

# MAR THOMA CENTRAL SCHOOL, CHERUNNIYOOR

# **ANNUAL REPORT 2024-2025**

A great saying goes so "Education is not preparation for life, Education is life itself"

His Lordship Rt.Rev.Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa, Diocesan Secretary Rev. Shibu O. Plavila, Chief guest of the day Cine Artist Mr. Mohan Ayroor, Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny, Bishop's Secretary Rev. Biju S Cherian, Diocesan Treasurer Mr. Johnson Abraham, renowned child poet Naomi Liya Rency, Cherunniyoor Panchayat President Mrs. Sasikala, Governing Board Secretary, Mrs.Manju S George, P.T.A president Mrs. Maya V.C., dear parents, well-wishers and beloved children,

#### Good evening to all.

Like a garden nurtured with care, Mar Thoma Central School has witnessed the blossoming of young minds. This Annual report celebrates the seeds we've sown, the growth we've fostered and the harvest of potential that awaits our students.

With great pleasure I present the highlights of the past year 2024-25 as follows.

# Management

Mar Thoma Central School is owned and managed by **Mar Thoma Church, TVM-QLN Development Society**, a registered society of the Mar Thoma Syrian Church.

Carrying the legacy forward and helping Mar Thoma Central School to reach echelons of success is His Grace Rt. Rev. Dr.Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa ,the Manager of the school ,Rev. Shibu O. Plavila, the Diocesan Secretary, Mr. Johnson Abraham, the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. Manju S George, the secretary of the school governing board and Rev. Jijo P. Sunny, the Principal of the school. A governing board consisting of 11 members meets time to time and is actively involved in the development of the school.

## Principal and Vice Principal.

**Rev. Jijo P Sunny** continues to hold the office as Principal and **Mr. John George** as Vice Principal.

# **Teachers Orientation Programme.**

- A training program for **K.G.teachers** was organized at our school on 22nd April 2024 on National Curriculum Framework. It was led by resource persons Ms. Nidhi, Ms. Sruthi and Ms. Megha.
- A training program for all the teaching staff of the Mar Thoma Central School was conducted on 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024. The classes were conducted by U.F.O. resource person Mr. Sujith. The program was mainly focused on English language.

#### **Teachers Retreat.**

A one day Teachers retreat was conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 at our school on the topic Classroom Management. **Mr. Joseph** was the resource person.

**Rev. Jijo P Sunny** and **Mr. John George** too conducted sessions to acquaint the teachers to the activities for the new academic year.

# **Orientation Programme**

An orientation program was conducted for parents and students, who had taken new admission this year on 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2024. Rev Jijo P Sunny led the session.

#### Praveshanolsavam

Mar Thoma Central School reopened for the new academic year on 3rd June, 2024 with a traditional colorful **Praveshanolsavam** function welcoming the students to school which began at 10.00am. The event was inaugurated by **Rev.Oommen Philip, former sabha Secretary** of the Mar Thoma Church. Our former Principal **Rev. Thomas K Thomas,** our Principal **Rev. Jijo P Sunny** and school secretary **Mrs. Manju S George** felicitated the occasion.

## **World Environment Day**

Mar Thoma Central School organized a programme on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 to celebrate World Environment day to make people aware about the need to preserve the environment. The students of standard 10 hosted the program. A special dance also was performed along with other programs. An exhibition also was conducted in the school auditorium.

## Malayala Manorama Nallapadam

Our school has secured the prestigious First A Plus Grade in Malayala Manorama Nallapadam for the year 2023-24. The award was presented by **Mr. Jiji Thomson**, former Chief Secretary of Govt. of Kerala to Mr.John George on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024. Ms.Prameela S was the coordinator.

## Anti-child labour Day.

Anti-child Labour Day was observed on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2024. Students of Std. 9 presented a program to raise awareness about the evils of child labour and promoting the importance of education for a bright future. A street play on the theme **'Break the chain'** was also organized.

# **Reading day**

June 19 was observed as reading day. In relation to this, a special Assembly was conducted by Std 8 students. All programs were related to Late Mr. P.N. Panicker and Malayalam literature. A Quiz program also was organized on the same day.

#### **School Election**

Elections for the different posts of Monitor, Asst. Monitor, Captains and Vice Captains of different Houses were held on 20<sup>th</sup>June, 2024.

# **International Yoga Day**

International Yoga day was celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2024 in the school campus. The importance of Yoga and its role was well explained by **Dr. Amrutha J S** (Yoga

Trainer, Nature Care Centre, Varkala), who was our chief guest. A special **Yoga** session too was organized for the students.

## World Music Day.

World music day was celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2024. Our music teacher **Ms. Rajeswari** conducted a classical music session for the students.

## **World Drug Abuse day**

Mar Thoma Central School organized a special assembly on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 by Std VII students, marked as "International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking", to create awareness about one of the world's greatest rising concerns. The students presented a choreography regarding the bad effects of drugs usage. Rev. Jijo P. Sunny was present in the occasion.

## **Doctors day**

A special assembly was organized on  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  July, 2024 by students of **Std VI**, who presented a choreography and skit, to remember the front line warriors.

# **Forestry Club Inauguration**

A new club as per the direction of the Forest department of the Government of Kerala was inaugurated on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 by **Mr.Benny Joseph, Deputy director of wild life education**. He also led a class on preservation of forest. Our school also received a **Registration certificate from the Govt. of Kerala**. He also handed over the magazine named Aranyam of Kerala Forest Department to our Principal **Rev. Jijo P Sunny.** 

# **Investiture Ceremony**

Investiture ceremony for the year 2024-25 was conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2024. Two students were inducted into the Prefectorial board in various capacities. **Mas.Adith P** of Class X was chosen as the Head Boy and **Ms.Lekshmi S** of Class X was chosen as the Head Girl. The chief guest **Col. Sunil Patil** gave away the badges

to the students and motivated to be good leaders. Our school Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny presided over the function.

Logos of our school clubs namely Literary club, Pi Club, Eco Club, Science club, Yuva club, Forestry club and Media Club were revealed during the function.

## Malala Day

On 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 a special assembly as conducted by STD V to celebrate the life of Nobel laureate **Malala** in recognition of their efforts on behalf of Children's rights. Kum. Ameytheertha of STD VII presented a monologue representing Malala and her thoughts.

#### Safal Exam

Safal exams were conducted for students of Std 6 and Std 9 during this academic year, which was introduced by CBSE as part of the NEP 2020.

#### **Arts Festival**

The Annual Arts Fest "DHWANI-2024" was held on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 which was inaugurated by Mrs. Sasikala, Cherunniyoor Panchayat President. The children participated with great zeal and showcased their talents winning laurels in the competitions which were held on three stages.

# Hiroshima day

A special assembly was conducted on 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 by **STD II** students to observe Hiroshima day.

#### **Fashion Show**

A fashion show competition was held for our K.G. kids on 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

# **Independence Day**

The 77<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2024. The celebrations were well attended and our Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny

hoisted the **National flag** and students of different houses gave a ceremonial flag salute. Various programs were held including a parade of the four Houses.

# **Teachers Teaching Evaluation Camp**

As per the decision of our School Manager Rt.Rev. Issac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa, a teachers teaching evaluation camp was arranged in our School on 10th and 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2024. **Rev. Alexander Thomas**, CBSE trainer, led the sessions.

## Fruits day.

Fruits day was celebrated by our kids of the K.G. section on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

## Niyama Sabha Visit

Students of classes 7, 8, 9 and 10 had the privilege to visit the **Niyama Sabha of the Government of Kerala**, Kumaran Asan Smarakam and Trivandrum Museum, on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. Students got a chance to familiarize with the functioning of the Government and various departments.

# **Paper Bag**

Paper bag making, a fun educational activity was conducted for KG students in the month of August to develop their creative skills.

#### **Onam celebrations 2024**

The harvest festival of Kerala, **Onam** holds a great significance for Keralites. Mar Thoma Central School also celebrated Onam on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 with a lot of colorful programs. Our Principal **Rev. Jijo P. Sunny** presided over the function. Students of all classes presented variety entertainment programs.

# **Teachers Day**

Teachers day was celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 under the leadership of **Std X students**. A special assembly was organized. Students draped all the teachers by giving them gifts.

## **Wayanad Relief Fund**

In response to the devastating landslides in Wayanad, the students along with Staff came together and contributed generously showcasing empathy and commitment to this noble cause and donated an amount of Rs.50000 to Chief Ministers Relief Fund. The fund was handed over to Mrs. Anu Kumari, I.A.S., Collector of Trivandrum district under the leadership of our Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny and Vice Principal Mr. John George.

## **Counseling Class**

Separate counseling sessions for boys and girls from STD 7 to STD 10 was conducted by **Rev. A.T. Thomas** and **Mrs. Smitha Thomas** which offered an opportunity to explore their feelings and help to cope with them.

## **Gandhi Jayanthi**

A special assembly on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanthi was held on 3rd October, 2024 and students of **STD VIII** presented various programs in remembrance of **Gandhiji- The father of Our Nation.** 

## **Space Week**

The Science Club of MTCS conducted a Quiz competition on 10th October, 2024, as part of the space week celebrations, which aimed to test the student's knowledge and spark their curiosity about the wonders of the Universe.

# **International Girl Child Day**

A special assembly was conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 to celebrate International Girl Child Day by **Std 9 students**. There was a role play of **Malala** by **Ms. Ameytheertha P**.

# **Electoral Literacy**

CBSE has conducted a webinar for Std 9 and Std 10 students on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 on the topic Electoral Literacy.

## Rubik's Cube Competition.

A Rubik's Cube Solving competition was held on 16<sup>th</sup>October, 2024 for the students and Mas. Adwaith S of Std 6 emerged as the winner.

#### Kerala Piravi

Mar Thoma Central School celebrated **Kerala Piravi** on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2024. The students from all classes presented different cultural programs depicting love for Kerala.

## Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge

MTCS students and staff took part in the pledge taking ceremony as part of the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Celebrations.

The Head boy **Mas.Adith P** and Head girl **Kum. Lekshmi S** led the Pledge reaffirming the commitment to National unity and integrity.

#### **Tour**

A one day tour program to **Funtura, Trivandrum** was conducted for students of classes K.G section to STD II on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024 which was a memorable experience.

# **Sports Day**

The **Annual Sports** was conducted on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. There was a March Past by the four Houses followed by the oath taking ceremony and the sports flag was hoisted by our **Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny**. He also lighted the torch and inaugurated the program.

The first event, the 1500m race, was flagged of by Rev. Jijo P Sunny to mark the beginning of the sports events.

# Children's Day and K.G. Fest

Children's day was observed with great enthusiasm on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. Our K.G. children led the assembly. K.G. Fest was conducted on the same day which

was inaugurated by our Principal **Rev. Jijo P. Sunny**. Our tiny tots participated in various cultural programs.

## **Academic Excellence and English Proficiency**

Stars were awarded to students who demonstrated outstanding performance in academics.

Students showcasing excellent communication skills effectively in English were awarded trophies.

## **Monthly Magazine**

A monthly manuscript magazine is published featuring hand written articles by students providing a platform for self expression.

# Malinyamuktham Navakeralam

Cherunniyoor Panchayat organized a Quiz Competition on 'Malinyamuktham Navakeralam' on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. **Adithyan J.S.** and **Abhijith H** of Std IX bagged the first and second prize respectively.

#### Co-curricular activities

Co-curricular activities like **Abacus, Dance, Piano and Karate classes** are being conducted for the holistic development of children.

Children who were qualified in Karate classes were awarded **Karate Yellow belt** by Principal **Rev. Jijo P Sunny.** 

#### **School Band**

MTCS also has a school band trained to perform drills and parades on important occasions.

#### **Robotics**

The MTCS Robotics Lab is a shining example of the institution's commitment to promoting STEM education to students through its comprehensive robotics classes free of cost.

#### **Achievements**

#### **AISSE--Results**

Success is the sweet result of hard work combined with the desire to excel and unfailing dedication. I feel proud to announce that our Class X board exam 2024 result was excellent and we have secured 100%. **Mas.Arjun Joby** secured the top position. **Mas.Rohith S George** secured the second position.

#### Sahodaya Competitions.

Mas. Mohammad Faris of Std VII has bagged the first place in English essay writing competition, Kum. Ameytheertha bagged the first place in English Recitation and second place in Hindi Elocution and Recitation. Kum. Lekshmi S bagged second place in anchoring and Kum. Arya B Sajeev bagged second place in English Recitation and third place in anchoring in the Sahodaya competitions held at Our Public School, Kazhakkoottam, Trivandrum on October 18 and 19, 2024.

# **Sahodaya State Level Competition**

It was indeed another feather in the cap for MTCS as **Ameytheertha P** of Std VI bagged first A grade in the Hindi Elocution category and A Grade in Hindi Recitation and English Recitation in the Sahodaya State Level Competition.

# **NASA Space Apps Challenge**

Our school has bagged the Inspiring Institution award in the **NASA Space App challenge** competitions held at Info Park, Kazhakootam. The team **Ultrons** of A.I. comprising of Mohammad Faris, Pranav P, Rishiram R and Ferdinand Samson bagged the global nomination in this competition. The first runner up was bagged by the team **Quantum Circuiters** comprising of Ameytheertha P, Ganga Kannan,

Arav V Nair, Vishal Raj J, Devaraman and Adidev R. S. The second runner up was bagged by the team **Selective Techzz** comprising of Aashika A R, Nakshathra R, Nirav Krishna, Niranjana R Nair and Ishitha V.

#### Codeavour 5.0

MTCS team comprising of Mas.Amit Meena, Mas.Sumit Meena, Mas.Adidev Sreejith, Mas.Mohammed Faris and Mas.Visal Raj emerged victorious at the **International Robotics competition** at the **National level** held at **New Delhi** on April 2024. They showcased a deep understanding of coding concepts.

#### **Kalabharathi Art and Writing competitions**

Mar Thoma Central School also hosted the **All India Kalabharathi Art and writing** competitions on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2024. All the participants were awarded certificates. Three students were awarded Bala Kala Ratna award namely Ms. J S Sandrima of Std VI, Sooryadev M of Std II and Darsh D of Std VIII. Mr. Asokan C was the coordinator.

#### **Abacus Arithmetic Genius Contest**

Our students had participated in the Abacus Arithmetic competition conducted by the SIP Academy. The winners of the 1<sup>st</sup> round were awarded certificates and medals.

#### **Parents Meeting**

Six PTA meetings were held during the academic year to discuss and communicate matters for the smooth functioning of the school. Our school's PTA executive committee comprises of 12 members and Mrs. Maya V C is the PTA President.

#### **Student Counselors**

Mrs. Smitha Thomas and Mrs. Sara Thomas, our school counselors, conducted various sessions for all our students from Std V to Std X dealing with challenges and fears of the students and also conducting follow up sessions to monitor the progress of students throughout the year.

# **Staff Development**

MTCS family consists of well trained, experienced and dedicated staff, administrative staff and supporting staff.

Staying updated is the key to success in the field of education. Our teachers including our Principal and Vice Principal constantly strive to stay updated by attending Workshops/Webinars and various training programs.

- (i) Staff meetings
  - 11 staff meetings were held during the course of the year for effective functioning through discussion on comprehensive task lists to accomplish tangible results.
- (ii) Webinar
  Our teachers attended Webinars conducted by CBSE which proved beneficial in acquiring skills.
- (iii) Our teachers have attended a comprehensive training programme, **Balavatika-JaduiPitara**, organized by CBSE to enhance pedagogical skills and equip teachers with innovative teaching strategies.
- (iv) Our teachers have also attended the **SAFAL** training programme organized by CBSE.
- (v) Our Principal **Rev. Jijo P Sunny** has attended Webinars of **PARAKH** and **PRAYOG** organized by the CBSE.

#### Conclusion

This Annual report celebrates the vibrant and diverse community that makes MTCS a special place. We are grateful for the contributions

The MTCS team under the able stewardship of our **Principal Rev. Jijo P Sunny** continues to strive for excellence. I congratulate the dynamic efforts of the students and our dedicated **teachers** in bringing forth accolades this academic year.

A special mention to the **administrative and the supporting staff** for their sincere efforts.

I extend my gratitude to the P.T.A for supporting us in all our ventures.

It is my ardent wish that this temple of education establishes itself in illuminating the path of many.

Thank you,

Rev. Jijo P Sunny

Mr. John George

(Principal)

(Vice Principal)