### **ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021**

Venerable Chief Guest Justice Shri P V Kunhikrishnan, Honourable Judge High Court of Kerala, Chief Sevak CMECT – GC Shri. A. Gopalakrishnan, eminent Trustees Shri. Venugopal C Govind, Shri. V. N. Venugopal, Shri Rajesh Patel, Vice Principal Ms.Mini K, SMC members, guests, parents, teachers, students and well-wishers.

Hari Om, Namaste and a warm good evening to each one of you.

Putting a system into place and seeing it reap dividends is a satisfying experience. Trust and gratitude is an abiding tone as I explore the academic session in its wholesomeness and eclectic texture. Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala is a full-fledged Senior Secondary School with a total strength of 2184 students and 107 staff members.

I thank the Management, Chinmaya Mission Educational & Cultural trust- Greater Cochin, Chief Sevak Shri.A.Gopalakrishnan, Eminent Trustees Shri. V.N.Venugopal, Shri.Venugopal C Govind, Shri. Rajesh Patel, the School Management Committee members for their high profile contribution and unstinted support.

I compliment the luminescent effort of my teachers and non-teaching staff who render their services from the nascent hours to the winding notes of the day. Together, we aim to script a success story for every child and surpass all records set.

The following are our pursuits in the scholastic and co-scholastic areas.

# **Scholastics:**

The board results indeed added zip to life with centum in Class X and Class XII. A detailed analysis for you.

In the AISSCE 2020 for XII, 108 of 125 students secured distinction and 17 students secured first class. Anuvinda R Nath and Rohith Satheesh emerged as toppers in the Science stream with 97.2% and Amrutha B Nair, Sankar Harikrishnan and Nakshatra N Prabhu emerged as toppers in the Commerce Stream with 97.6.%.

In the AISSE 2020, 120 of 152 students secured distinction and 30 secured first class. Swathi K emerged school topper with 98.8 %.

It was a blazing success when Our school was adjudged as Futuristic School in the category 5 Star rating by Centre for Educational Development Foundation, Training and Assessment Unit registered under MSME, Govt. of India. The annual CED Star Rating School 2020-21 survey was done with 476 country's premier schools. With this roaring success our school is credited with another major coup. This survey evaluates schools on nearly 10 Parameters - Quality Academics, Infrastructure, Life Skill activities, Achievements in sports and other co-curricular activities, leadership, faculty competence, Board results, training and empowering workshops .

Every school is valued through an in -depth and concrete feedback involving edu expertslike Retired Asst. Commissioners from KVS, NIOS etc.

Our school has scaled the top and ranked among the top 10 in the Melio International contest (an IIT-IIM alumnus initiative for Classes I to VI). Out of the 58 schools which competed across the globe, our students emerged as winners.

Our school was awarded "Haritha Jyothi Prashamsa Patram "of Mathrubhumi in recognition of our strong commitment to the SEED Programme during the academic year 2019-20 and our contribution towards environment protection.

In the H2000h waterwise programme, a project by United Schools Organisation of India, New Delhi in collaboration with UNESCO, Ashwath Harish of Std 7 emerged as a creative winner at the National Level.

The academic year 2020-21 was the strangest and an unpredicted one with the invasion of Covid 19. With the virus dictating terms, both students and teachers evolved and stood ground for the digital transformation. Always believing and offering the best by constantly pushing the envelope and staying in tune with the latest, our dedicated teachers enabled a seamless, virtual learning experience for all students from LKG to 12 to ensure 360° holistic development in all dimensions. Apart from academics, online classes were imparted in music, dance, arts, sports, yoga and life skills regularly and meticulously.

Following are the various opportunities that our children capitalized, undeterred by the virulent pandemic.

In the domain of competitive exams our fame is snowballing rapidly.

To develop the competitive spirit of the students they were encouraged to take part in Olympiads conducted by SOF, Silverzone, KAMP NASTA, Zenik, Astronomy challenges, Green Olympiads etc.

- 1. In the NASTA 2020 (National Assessment for Scientific Temperament & Aptitude), our student R.R. Jaithilak of Class VI emerged as District Topper. Abhinav Vinay of Class V secured Gold medal and Certificate of Excellence for the same. Hridya Prabeesh of Class VI secured silver medal in the Class VI category.
- 2. In the NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAM, DEV MADHAV of class II secured a centum for maths. 20 /64 students scored above 90 % in GK. 30/105 scored 90% in maths. 23/80 scored 90% in science.
- 3. Aneeta K F of Class III secured 3rd rank in Group I of International Olympiad of Value Systems, Health and Wellness conducted by Team Zenik Learning, a subsidiary of Drishta Technology, a pioneer in bringing latest technology in the field of education

- 4. Khushi Ashok Sharma of Std. 8 participated in the State level Group Discussion Competition organised by Full Marks pvt. Ltd. on the occasion of Hindi Day and was selected to the Zonal level.
- 5. Our student Gouri Nandana of Class X was among first one hundred achievers from Thiruvanathapuram region of CBSE for Aryabhatta Ganit Challenge 2019 and obtained CBSE Merit Certificate for the same.
- 6. Amrutha Shenoy of Class XI was awarded a gold medal as the "State level winner" of the Green olympiad 2019-20. It was conducted by The Energy and Resources Institute(TERI).
- 7. Gauri Gopal of Std V secured 1st rank with 98 marks in Prathiba Hindi Scholarship examination conducted by Deshiya Hindi Academy.

## **Co Scholastic Achievements:**

We garnered plaudits in several art and literary contests. Here are a few to mention..

Our School secured Championship Trophy of E- Spectro 2020-21, the interschool competition organised by S B O A Senior Secondary School.

Our School was the Overall Champions in the FRINGES, interschool competition conducted by The Choice school.

In the V Litt, Inter- School Literary Carnival conducted by Vidyodaya School, our students won several prizes.

Our school bagged Runners up trophy in the online interschool photography competition organized by St.Peters Kadayarippu as part of "World Photography Day.

The School bagged highest points in the Vidyodaya Sashtra Samasya Inter school science competition.

In the online interschool fest, KIDS TALENT HUNT 2020 for KG children organised by Marthoma Public School our students secured prizes.

In the Global Online Bhajan competition conducted by Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth where participants from different part of the world competed, Chaithanya of Std VI secured the first prize. She also secured second prize in the Gita chanting competition conducted by Chinmaya Mission Mattancherry on 16/12/2020 and qualified for the state level.

Many of our students won prizes at the Melio International Online Challenge competition.

## **Literary Plaudits(in slide- literary luminescence)**

Our students secured several prizes in competitions organised by Parama Bhatara Kendriya Vidyalaya & Vidyabhyasa Vikas Kendram on the occasion of Hindi Day and three of them got qualified for the Rashtra Bhasha Gaurav Sabha.

Vyshnavi Venugopal and Pranav Nambiar received Appreciation & selection in the CBSE Reading Challenge under Thiruvananthapuram region.

In the Essay competition conducted by Information Security Education and Awareness(ISEA), Nanditha M.S of Std IX secured third position in State.

Our students Varsha G of Std XI C and Sowparnika M S of Std XI A secured 1st prize and 3rd prize respectively for Individual Debate competition organised by Model engineering College.

Swathi K of Std XI won first prize In 24th All Kerala Don Bosco Inter School English Elocution Competition.

Masoomi S Nevgi of Std VIII D secured 2nd place in International Essay Competition organised by Monomousumi.

In the Rotary cloud contest, the biggest online event by Rotary Club of Cochin our students won prizes in the Photo contest, English Story Writing, Action song, English speech and smiling competition.

Our students Swathi K and T Varsha participated in the Nanhi Chhaan National School Essay Contest 2020 held at The Kalyani School, Pune and received participation certificates for the same.

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In the Indian International "MODEL UNITED NATIONS" Conference held at The Choice School, Thripunithura from 7th to 9th February 2020, Abhishek P M of Class XI A bagged the "BEST DELEGATE AWARD"

### **Art Accolades:**

Ganga won First prize and a cash prize of Rs 3000 in Inter school e poster competition conducted by Indian Dental Association Cochin Chapter in connection with International No Tobacco Day.

In the Drawing and colouring competition conducted by by Samagra wellness education, Leuan Sooraj Philip of Std III C secured 1st prize i.

Sanket S Nevgi of std 3 B has been awarded the 1st prize for Handwriting in Malayalam by Stallions International Cochin Chapter in Connection with All Kerala Interschool Youth Festival held in Ernakulam

In the All Kerala Painting Competition conducted by Organisation for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Organisation (OISC) - International Palakkad Chapter in connection with Children's Day 2020, Aayal Cil M N of Class IV secured 1st prize. She also won the First Prize in the Kairali Library Youth Wing painting competitions conducted in connection with Children's Day 2020 and Second prize in Monoart category in Srishti 2020 by Bhavans Munshi Vidyashram.

In the origamy competition conducted as part of virtual inter school math competition INFINITUM MATHEMATICA, organised by Bhavans Newsprint Vidyalaya, Aishwarya Lekshmi B S of Class X D secured 1st prize.

### Quiz:

Our quizzers edged into prominence by winning several quiz contests.

In the All Kerala Quiz conducted by Stallions International, Siddharth Nevgi of Class VIII secured first position

Vaishnavi Venugopal of Std IX secured 49 marks out of 50 in online quiz "Famous Indian Personalities organised by Chinmaya Vidyalaya Baddiaka.

Jayakrishnan(X), Gouri Binu (X) and Aanand Krishnan(IX) secured 1st runners up position in the "All Kerala Quiz" conducted by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Kochi Kendra.

In the Interschool quiz, event INSIGNIA, by Bhavans Varuna, our students secured the second position.

In the quiz competition conducted by Amritha Institute of Medical Science in connection with the World Heart day, Gouri Binu and Gouri Nandana of Std X secured won a cash prize of Rs. 2000/- .

### **Tech Fests**

Our students keep themselves abreast with the digital revolution and transformation by participating and winning laurels at several technological fests and contests.

Our school emerged as zonal winners at the National Design Championship organized by Mindbox Evolving Education and four students of Std XI participated for the Finals held in the last week of November.

Our School was the Runners up in Texodia 2.0, interschool technological fest organized by Bhavans Newsprint Vidyalaya. Daryl Antony Luiz (XII) won First prize in the event Vistara.

Our school bagged several prizes in the Inter-School Mathematics - Science-Technology fest LABYRINTH 20.0 organised by Bhavans Adarsha Vidyalaya

Our students secured prizes in the Technozarre, a tech fest conducted by Chinmaya Vidyalaya Kottayam.

#### **Sports**

Though confined to the limits of their houses, we promoted sporting activities as much as we could stretch. The following are the pursuits in the sporting arena

- 1. Volleyball: In the SBOA Volleyball Tournament, our school secured the 2nd position in February 2020.
- 2. Chess: Hari R Chandan secured Rank 5 in All Kerala State Mega Chess Championship
- 3. Yoga: Madhav S Menon of Std IX B secured 1st position in Boys Junior Group A, District Yoga Championship organised by Yoga Federation of India. Swetha S of Std VII secured second prize in Sub Junior Girls category. Both were selected for the State Championship.
- 4. Athletics: Shreyas Bejoy & Ivan Immanuel got silver medal in 400mts & 100mts respectively in the Ernakulam District Athletic meet. Both of them will represent Ernakulam district team for the State Athletic championship
- 5. Cricket: Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala won "EVER ROLLING RUNNERS UP" Trophy in The Chinmaya Cup International Cricket Tournament in Feb 2020 held at Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Kannamaly.

<u>Newspaper in Education (NIE):</u> To sensitize the children to contemporary issues and to help them develop critical thinking and strong reading habits, even during the online sessions, teachers use Newspapers like the Times of India regularly

<u>Talent time</u> - 2020 was conducted online in tune with the need of the hour. The engulfing pandemic and the resulting blues could not the mar their spirit and the thrill.

The competitions were conducted gradewise and included events from all fields -- literary, fine arts, craft, Gita chanting, photography, short film making etc.. Nearly 500 students from Std 1 to XII and all students of KG participated in the Online Talent Time Competition

### **Student Empowerment Programmes:**

The online mode of study and home confinement has not slackened our motivation to help children gain all round development. They were exposed to several seminars, webinars, meets, competitions through Google meet and other platforms.....

As part of Gandhi Jayanthi Celebrations, Shri. Alphons Kannanthanam and Justice Kurian Joseph spoke to the children regarding our rich cultural heritage and our role as citizens.

In the GIFT (Gita, an Inspiring Friend to Treasure ), a National Online Youth Convention organised by Chinmaya Yuva Kendra in connection with National Youth Day celebration, 500 students of our school registered for the same.

In connection with the observance of the Road safety month an awareness quiz for Std 5 & 6, poster making competition for Std 7 & 8 on road safety was conducted.

Interaction meeting with the World renowned NanoScientists in the International conference hosted by SRM – ICONN.

A webinar on 'Meet the Mentor' from Macmillan Education – Part 2, was conducted for the students of Std VI to XII.

To apprise the students of the emerging concepts in the field of space science, the students of Std IV to IX attended the STEM & Space webinar conducted by Dr. Padma Yanamandra Fisher, Research Scientist at Space Institute USA.

TIMES NIE in collaboration with Benett University had invited Class XI and Class XII th Std students for a webinar on skills for success in post covid world on 28/12/20 and it was attended by many students.

To espouse the greatness of our motherland's ancient knowledge and wisdom rooted in Vedic studies, the Students of Std VIII,IX and XI were given an opportunity to attend a webinar on Vedic Math by Shri. Unnikrishnan T, Asst. Professor, Sri. C Achuthamenon Govt College, Trissur. It was organised by the Interact Club of Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala on 11/12/2020

Talks and presentations in Career Guidance were organized for Class XI and XII. Special scholarship exams were also conducted to enable them to shape their educational trajectory.

### **Faculty Improvement Program:**

Our teachers demonstrate model disposition by up-grading and updating their knowledge amplification and dissemination skills by attending workshops, seminars in service courses etc.

In the PCM Teachers Award 2020, for the videos sent on the online classes, the following teachers received the medals and certificates in the category - "Prominent Videos".

- a. Ms. Nithya Rajesh
- b. Dr. Rakhy R Prabhu
- c. Ms.Sreelekha Ajay
- d. Ms.Chandana
- e. Ms.Indumathi
- f. Ms.Minu Jose
- g. Ms.Pushya Prasad
- h. Ms Priya Babu

Our English teacher, Ms.Girija K was awarded the Microcredential in online teaching by CENTA

Our Librarian Ms. Sheeba Satheesh was selected as Resource Person for Library Science by CBSE Centre of Excellence, Trivandrum. She was recognized as Outstanding value mentor by Zenik Olympiad – International Olympiad of value system, health and wellness. She received Fourth position at National level for the All India WhysoQRIOus Teacher's Quiz 2021.

Our Sanskrit teacher ,Dr Rakhi R Prabhu received high approbation for the meticulous execution of the video recording of the Gita chanting rendered by our students in connection with the Tapo Gita Jayanti fest.

Our Economics teacher, Ms. R. Chitra Mani was nominated by the Principal for Teacher's Corona Warrior Award, organised by IIHM Bangalore as part of Teachers Day.

Sajitha Mithun has won a prize for the art integrated lesson K2 category at a National competition organised by Macmillan.

Principal Prathiba V was deputed by CBSE as Resource person to conduct a webinar on Art Integrated Learning, Taxonomy of English Std XII. Similarly, she was also deputed as Resource Person to train Chinmaya teachers and other teachers all over India in Art Integrated Learning

in English Std XII, in the programme titled 'Kalasamanvayah' conducted jointly by CCMT Education Cell, Coimbatore and Chinmaya Viswa Vidyapeeth. She was selected as the Speaker for the webinar on NEP 2020- Peer Tutoring Support required to upskill the teachers which was organized by International Chamber for Service Industry.

Principal was deputed for CBSE inspection to 4 schools in the state.

The Principal was invited to the inaugural ceremony of Kerala Police Cyberdome - India's first and only ISO Certified Law Enforcement Unit.

The NEP was passed in the parliament by the cabinet on 29.07.2020. For the introduction, implementation and execution of NEP, Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala formulated NEP committee comprising 19 members from different areas of curricular and co curricular education. The committee met regularly over zoom platform. The Principal briefed them about the changes in the structural, pedagogical and curricular pattern, mentioned in the NEP.

SMC meetings are conducted at periodic intervals to formulate strategies for academic excellence. Staff meetings and Department meetings were conducted regularly through the zoom platform.

Parents' consultations and open houses were also conducted online which helped us create a trusted bond with the guardians even in the time of this pandemic.

Principal interacted and addressed the parents of Std 12 to brief them about the student's improvement and parental contribution.

Sanskrit and Malayalam were introduced for the 1st time in the last 50 years as 2nd language with effect from June 2020.

The school was the centre for CBSE Board Examination and CA Examination conducted by ICAI.

### **Functions at School:**

Regular school activities, functions and programmes were celebrated or observed online by streaming appropriate videos with creative inputs from students from the confines of their houses.

The virtual Onam program organised by Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Vaduthala on 27/8/2020 was a sumptuous feast for everyone. The online celebration of our school was streamed by Manorama channel on 28/8/2020 in a programme titled "Pularvela".

Reading day was celebrated on June 19th.

Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Vaduthala celebrated online the 74th Independence day under Covid curbs, giving a virtual treat to all the staff and students.

National Science day was celebrated in the school on 28th February 2020 during the morning assembly. The topic was "Women in Science". Mrs K Rameetha, Associate Director of Submarine systems of NPOL, DRDO addressed the assembly and inspired the students with her talk about the importance of science and her role in the submarines. Class 4-A put up a skit and a quiz followed by students of class 12 showcased the contribution of few women towards science.

Kerala Piravi that commemorates the momentous union of territories on linguistic basis, was celebrated with elan

Both the teaching and non-teaching staff put up a very interesting and joyful events for the students on occasion of Childrens' Day.

The 151st birth anniversary of the father of the nation, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was celebrated on digital mode with a number of activities depicting the young generation's respect towards the eternal values and lofty ideologies that transformed a frail man into a Mahatma.

To ingrain the idea of universality and the practical application of Mathematics in young minds and to pay tributes to the great Indian mathematical wizard, Sri Srinivasa Ramanujam, the theme of the year 2020 was accorded just and fair treatment by the Maths faculty and students

X mas video was streamed to students of Std I to XII on 23/12/20. Xmasvaganza.

Installation of Interact Club - The installation ceremony of the office bearers of the Interact Club touched new dimensions of conceptualising the idea of seva even while working from remote. The theme of 2020 social service through social distancing provided a plethora of ideas for the enthusiastic seva brigades to delve into.

To foster the idea of our deep rooted cultural ethos reflected in the celebration of Diwali, the online platform created the right ambience to delve into the spiritual significance of Diwali. Chinmaya Vidyalaya Vaduthala had a virtual Diwali celebration on 16/11/20.

Tech Ed is Kochi's inter school premier technological fest hosted by our school to foster creativity and independent thinking in students . This year TechEd was organised through zoom platform and Google Meet on 25/11/2020. Nearly 150 students from all the premier institutions in and around the city participated in the mega technical event. Shri Venugopal C Govind , eminent trustee, CMECT – GC was the Chief Guest.

Novice Novella Nouveau, an interschool literary cum art contest was conducted virtually through Google Meet on 26th September 2020. Chief Sevak Shri. A. Gopalakrishnan inaugurated the programme through Google meet. 15 schools in and around city participated in the same.

Kochi F.M aired the programme of our children in the programme titled 'VIDARUNA MOTTUKAL' (play audio)

## **School Publications:**

The school Newsletter "PRAVAHINI "will be published and released this month. The school magazine 'AKSHARA' will also be published in the month of April.

We are happy to announce that in order to enhance the reading and writing skills of our students, we have started our school blog, Chinmayavaani. We have invited contributions from all students in the form of articles, poems and stories in English, Malayalam, Hindi and Sanskrit.

### **Chinmaya Vision Programme:**

The Chinmaya Vision Programme is envisaged and incorporated from all classes i.e from KG to 12.

In the customary chanting of Akandanamajapam at the Ernakulam Shiva Temple the staff and students joined the circumbulation ritual accompanied with chanting of Om Namah Shivaya. There was a Bhajan rendition by our students at Ernakulam Shiva Temple.

Our children's Gita chanting was streamed globally through Chinmaya Youtube channel during the Tapo fest. Our school team receives appreciation from Pooja Swami Swaroopanandaji.

In the Srimad Bhagawad Geeta talk series, GIFT, conducted by the CHYK, Rejitra Rajesh of XII C spoke on the 11th verse of Gita chapter-2

\*\*Guru Poornima, Gurusamadhi, Ramayana month, Chinmaya Jayanthi, yoga day, navrathri – video\*\*

This year Chinmaya Jayanthi, Gurupurnima, Guru Samadhi were celebrated and observed by the school provided a hallowed virtual space for offering our tributes to the great Guru parampara we revere and adore in the Sanatana tradition.

Ramayana month was welcomed with resonating chants from vedic hymns, Ramayana and soul stirring Bhajans.

International Yoga day was celebrated through online platform with the objective of creating awareness on practicing yoga to maintain physical and mental fitness.

The World Sanskrit Day was celebrated on 3rd August 2020.

Navarathri celebrations was streamed on 24/10/20. The importance of Mother worship was highlighted in this presentation.

#### Alumni Association:

ORMA, the Alumni association has served as an ideal platform for all our ex-students stretched across the globe to build, strengthen and sustain bonds. The meeting of Alumni association was organized in the school on 4th January 2020.

Finally, I acknowledge in all sincerity, the healthy benign support and patronage of our parents and well wishers. Thank you for working in tandem with us. Honestly, it does wonders to our team spirit.

There is plenty to do and plenty to be proud of. We promise to transform into a centre par excellence.

Count on us, as we're guided by a one-point agenda -

TOIL AND LIVE EACH DAY TO THE FULLEST. WORK HARD AND SAVOUR A VERY SPECIAL FEELING OF "I MADE A DIFFERENCE".

Thank you.