

ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT SCHOOL, BATHINDA



PRISM

Volume 205

An insight into activities organised from July to September 2024
(KG and Primary Wing)



Imparting education as per
National Curriculum Framework



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Admissions are Open for
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Session 2025-26







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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Parents

I am pleased to share with you our latest e-newsletter, which highlights the diverse activities and programs that have supported our students' learning and personal growth over the past few months. These experiences are a reflection of our ongoing commitment to providing a holistic education that not only drives academic success but also nurtures character development and prepares our students for the fullness of life.

As Nelson Mandela wisely said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Through these activities, our students are gaining valuable skills, building confidence, and learning to collaborate and lead. These experiences empower them to face future challenges with resilience and optimism, equipping them to thrive in an ever-changing world.

A special thanks to Mrs Meesha for her dedication and hard work in compiling all these activities and bringing this e-newsletter to life. Her efforts have truly helped to capture the essence of our school community.

We hope you enjoy reading about the wonderful achievements and moments that have shaped our students' journey.

Warm regards
Sr Ophilia Lobo
Principal

WORDS OF WISDOM



Dear Parents

It is my pleasure to showcase the vibrant life and achievements of our little stars. I am thrilled to see their outstanding accomplishments, creativity, laughter, and milestones in this digital treasure trove. Our kindergarten is where curiosity meets wonder, and playfulness meets learning. Therefore we nurture curiosity and creativity, Social skills and empathy, emotional intelligence and confidence, love for learning and exploration. My little stars, keep shining bright, Keep exploring, discovering, and dreaming!, Remember, every day is an adventure.

Every child is genius and unique. We Josephites motivate and appreciate acknowledge and identify this uniqueness in each child. I believe that with the constant support of the parents we will continue to make learning a joyful and meaningful experience. Together we will help them grow into confident, compassionate and capable individuals who will make a positive impact on the world.

I thank our teachers, staff, and parents for their unwavering support.

**Sr Helima
KG Headmistress**

WORDS OF WISDOM



Dear Parents

“Every step you take forward is a success”.

Children have shown exceptional enthusiasm and participation in their multifarious activities held in the school. It is delightful to see them expressing themselves confidently and working collaboratively with others in their classrooms. The conducive ambience required for this is provided in the school to bring out the best in them.

Our little children are a blessing to us. They need to be nurtured, loved and cared for as clay in the hands of a potter. With kindness and compassion, we the staff help them to unfold themselves and be excellent in terms of discipline and grow into more responsible children.

**Sr Elsie Vas
Primary Headmistress**

EDITOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Readers

Welcome to the latest edition of Prism! This issue highlights events that celebrate creativity, resilience, and innovation.

The management team, staff and students of St Joseph's Convent School, Bathinda take pride in the maxim 'If it's worth doing, it's worth doing well'.

Each Josephite, whether a toddler or a teen, celebrates academics, curricular and co-curricular activities administered at school. Four walls of the classroom are turned into a room for exploration, where the teacher ignites inquisitiveness among the taught. It is a place where rote learning is attenuated. It is a journey one takes to grow holistically, become critical thinkers and embrace 21st century skills.

This edition of Prism is a testament to the dedication and consistency shown by the students from July to September 2024. Irrespective of challenges, Josephites have once again proven themselves to be undefeatable.

I thank honourable Principal, Sr Ophelia for being the guiding light in preparing this edition of Prism. Your encouragement and support have made a significant impact on my journey, and I'm truly grateful to you.

I hope this vibrant newsletter amazes you with the activities and upgradations incorporated in the school.

Meesha Gupta
Editor and Designer



In loving memories of ... **Sr Rosalie**



Sr Rosalie was one of the pioneers of Bethany in the North. She served the Province in capacities such as Superior of the Communities, Provincial Councillor and Principal of several schools. Her extensive proficiency and leadership skills were witnessed at St Joseph's Convent School, Bathinda when she deployed her expertise as the Principal from 1975-1981.

Sister was blessed with resourcefulness. She had vast experience in the field of education which she shared with others generously. In the last few years of her life, she continued to guide the young members of the Province with love and dedication.

***"You will forever shine brightly in our hearts
and guide us from above."***



Dear Sisters

WELCOME TO ST JOSEPH'S



Revered School Management



**Cordial welcome to
Sr Elsie Vas, Primary Headmistress**



**Heartfelt greetings to Sr Nalini,
Incharge of Social Service**




**Gracious greetings to
Sr Preetiwanti Bodra, Office Incharge**



**Warm welcome to Sr Ranjita to
the portals of St Joseph's**



**Golden words by
Principal Sr Ophilia**



Faculty of St Joseph's
cordially welcomes you.
Your expertise and passion
for education will surely
make a difference to the
institution.

LATEST DEVELOPMENT

... A place where
holistic education
supersedes
conventional education

To stimulate well- rounded growth of the children, trampoline was installed in the KG wing. Joy on students' faces delighted hearts of the administration and the faculty. Principal Sr Ophilia encouraged students to participate in physical activities.

Installation of Trampoline!



JUMP

HOP

BOUNCE

LEAP

ASCEND



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*Activities executed from
July to September 2024 in
K& Primary Wing*



PICTURE PASTING

Picture pasting activity was held for **class UKG**. Students brought pictures depicting **Hindi letters** and pasted on the sheet. The activity brought freshness in learning the language.



CAMPUS TOUR

Josephites of **class I** explored the campus with their little feet and inquisitive minds. They traversed garden, classes, labs and the office of the Principal and KG Headmistress. Their faces beamed with excitement as they toured for the first time. Students asked various questions which enhanced their awareness about surroundings.



FRUIT SALAD

Fruit and Salad activity was held for **class LKG** wherein the students participated actively. Children learnt the importance of **consuming fruits on daily basis.**



VEGETABLES AND FRUITS

Fruits and Vegetables activity was held for **class UKG**. Children were taught about seedless and juicy fruits. They were apprised about the key role of **fruits and vegetables** in boosting one's immunity.



RAKHI MAKING



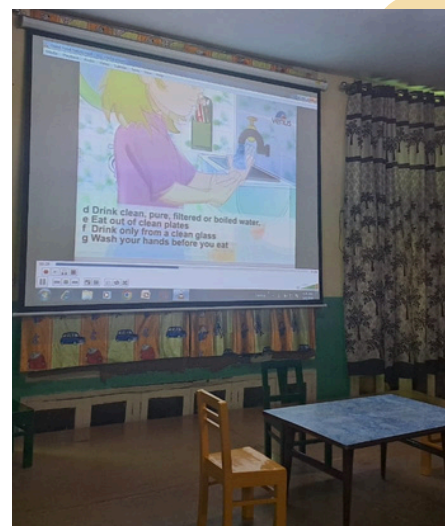
Rakhi Making activity was conducted for **class LKG**. Students were exhilarated to craft *rakhis* with their tiny hands. The curation of customised *rakhis* exemplified their **artistic skills**. The activity ushered the spirit of siblinghood.



TABLE MANNERS



Table Manners activity was conducted for **class I** students in a fun and engaging way. The **role-playing** aspect made the learning process delightful. Understanding table manners is an essential part of social interaction. It aids in polite and respectful behaviour of children.



FLAG DECORATION



Students of LKG decorated the national flag with colourful flowers and stickers. The little ones participated in the activity with full enthusiasm and zeal. Each one came forward with unique ideas and designs. This inculcated spirit of nationality among the young minds.



BUD PAINTING



Bud Painting activity was organised for class UKG. The children added colours to the sketch with the help of bud. Each child used the bud creatively, making interesting patterns. The children produced a mesmerising mosaic through the activity.



PAPER TEARING AND PASTING

Paper Tearing and Pasting activity was conducted for **class I**. The students tore papers randomly and pasted on the national flag. The students enjoyed the activity as paper was torn and pasted in various **shapes and designs**. The precise tearing and manipulation of paper pieces enhanced **dexterity and coordination** of the children.



CARD MAKING

Ahead of Teachers' Day, students of **class I** designed greeting cards to express their love for their teachers. Each card was designed with utmost **warmth and respect** for their beloved teachers.



COMPUTER

The use of computers in the classroom involves integrating digital technology to enhance, supplement, or replace traditional educational curricula with **Computer Science education**. In alignment with SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure), our school is promoting the use of computers to develop and enhance students' skills. **Class III** students eagerly participated in computer activity which focused on creating **collage** of input/output devices.




CALCUDOKU

Students of **class V** were engaged in a thrilling Sudoku activity, designed to sharpen their **logical reasoning and problem-solving skills**. With worksheets containing partially filled Sudoku grids, students were challenged to fill in the missing numbers, adhering to the rules of the game. As they worked individually, they employed **critical thinking, analytical skills, and attention to details** to solve the puzzles. This engaging activity not only honed their mathematical skills but also fostered **perseverance, patience, and healthy competition**.





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*Competitions conducted from
July to September 2024 in
K&J and Primary Wing*

COLOURING



Colouring competition for class **LKG** was orchestrated with the motive to make the children more perfect in colouring. Children added **vivid colours** to the sketches. They took pleasure in learning the art of colouring via this endeavour.



FANCY DRESS



Fancy Dress competition was held for **LKG students**. Students were dressed magnificently as per the allotted themes such as **Indian, Chinese, Japanese culture** etc. The tiny tots performed confidently as they came on the stage with their props and introduced themselves.



SOLO DANCE

Conversation between BODY and SOUL.

Children of **UKG** tapped their feet and swayed their body to the rhythm of their favourite song during the Solo Dance competition. The competition contributed in **escalating confidence** of the participants.



HINDI SPEECH

Hindi Speech competition was organised for **Class I**. Students spoke on the **life of Father RFC Mascarenhas and BES**. They highlighted the vision and goal of BES. The competition developed communication skills in children while also enhancing everyone's knowledge.

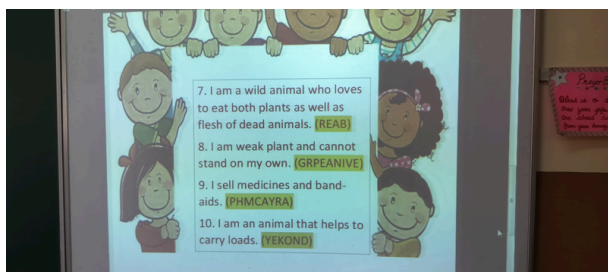


HINDI PICTURE COMPOSITION



Students of **class II** participated in Hindi Picture Composition competition. The children were captivated by the colourful picture displayed on the **smart board**. Each participant offered a **unique perspective**, with some presenting exceptionally imaginative ideas. Their narratives, rich in detail, showcased their **linguistic skills** as they described the scenes, characters, and emotions depicted in the image.

BUMBLE JUMBLE



Bumble Jumble: Mix of problem solving, reading and comprehending. The activity enhanced their **language development of class II** by expanding their vocabulary and improving their reading comprehension. This activity also helped students to discover new vocabulary in English, improving their ability to use words correctly and creating an interesting and engaging learning environment in the classroom, thus increasing students' interest in learning.

FLOWCHART

As a part of cognitive development, **class IV** students participated in an engaging activity to understand one of the concepts of Computer Science. They created flowcharts on A4 sheets, exploring the topic "**Memory: Its Types and Devices**". Using their wisdom, knowledge and creativity, the students made the charts visually appealing.



SLOGAN WRITING

Class V students participated in slogan writing competition to commemorate the Foundation Day of Bethany Congregation. The event encouraged students to reflect on the **significance and aim of Bethany Congregation** and to express their thoughts through catchy and meaningful slogans. Each student crafted original slogans that captured the essence of Bethany heritage, values, and aspirations for the future.



English

POEM RECITATION

Class IV students eagerly participated in 'Just A Minute English Recitation Competition,' showcasing their talent and confidence. This competition inspired young poets to present meaningful themes, allowing them to revel in the perfection of expression, thoughts, emotions, rhythm, and the music of words. The budding poets captivated the audience with their eloquence and cognitive skills.



Punjabi

Interclass Punjabi Poem Recitation competition was held for classes II and III. The competition was filled with excitement as each class presented their chosen poem. The students recited with confidence, clear diction, and animated gestures, making the audience proud. The event not only encouraged love for literature but also helped the children to strengthen their public speaking skills and self-confidence.



SPEECH



To instil confidence in the students, Speech competition was held for **class III**.

The young orators expressed their thoughts assertively. The

competition successfully enhanced the **speaking skills** of the children while fostering sense of achievement and camaraderie among them.



COLLAGE MAKING



Class V students were engaged in creating a collage of different web browsers, which taught them how to search images using search engines and manage browser tabs. The activity aimed to improve students' **web literacy and browsing efficiency**. In alignment with **SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure)**, our school is promoting the use of computers to enhance students' skills.



TRICOLOUR LANDSCAPE AND FLOWER MAKING



Patriotic fervour swept through **class IV** students as they took part in Tricolour Landscape and Flower Making activity. Every student engaged in the project produced unique and impressive creations that showcased their creativity. Students gained a **deeper understanding of the tricolour** via this endeavour.

PATRIOTIC SINGING



On the auspicious occasion of Independence Day, Intra-Class Patriotic Singing Competition was conducted for **classes II, III and V**. With their voices filled with passion and pride, the young participants sang soul-stirring renditions of iconic patriotic songs. Adorned in tricolour attire and accessories, the students added a splash of colour and vibrancy to the event.




A group of students in a classroom, many wearing white headwraps, holding up their completed projects or drawings. The students are seated at wooden desks, and the classroom has a warm, orange-toned wall. A black bag is visible on the floor in the foreground.



A group of students in a classroom are engaged in reading. In the foreground, a boy in a green shirt is intently reading a large newspaper spread open on his desk. The newspaper features a prominent headline that reads 'MURDER' in bold, red letters, with a sub-headline 'KILLER' below it. Other students in the background, wearing various colored shirts (red, blue, yellow, white), are also reading newspapers or magazines. The classroom has light-colored walls and wooden desks. A doorway is visible in the background, leading to another room.



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*Joint assemblies conducted
from July to September 2024
in KG and Primary Wing*

FOUNDATION DAY

Foundation Day of Bethany Congregation was celebrated with ardour and zest by the students of **classes LKG, UKG and I**. Children swayed to the musical beats and presented a group song and a skit. Children were tutored about Founder Father RFC Mascarenhas and Bethany Congregation through the celebration.



INDEPENDENCE DAY



The students of **class IV** hosted a vibrant Independence Day programme titled "**Echoes of Valour**". The same level of enthusiasm was also reflected in the celebration at **Kindergarten block**. The celebration featured a variety of performances that underscored the significance of this historic day. The struggles and sacrifices of our freedom fighters were poignantly showcased, leaving the audience inspired and motivated to safeguard their hard-won freedom.



Flag Hoisting Ceremony

Tricolour: A vibrant symbol of unity, freedom, and pride.

The theme for this year's Independence Day celebrations is 'Viksit Bharat', which translates to 'Developed India'. This theme aligns with the Indian government's vision to transform the nation into a developed country by 2047, the centenary of Independence. The school celebrated this event with pride, gratitude and remembrance.



TEACHERS' DAY



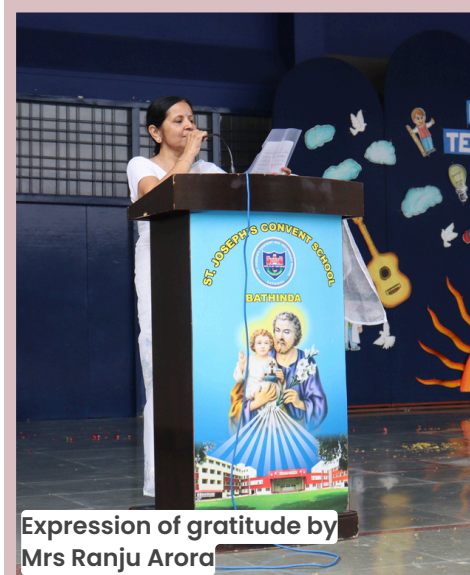
Teachers' Day was celebrated with gusto and ardour. Students expressed **gratitude to their teachers** through heartfelt speeches and cultural programmes. Representatives from all the classes honoured their teachers with planters. Principal, Sr Ophilia, delivered a special speech on this day, appreciating efforts and dedication of teachers towards their duties.



The school choir weaving tapestry of sound.



Sr Ophilia presenting Lucky Teacher Award to Mrs Ashu Garg



Expression of gratitude by Mrs Ranju Arora



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*Educational Trips conducted
from July to September 2024
in K&J and Primary Wing*



TRIP TO PUNJOY

A trip to PunJoy was organised for the students of **classes LKG, UKG and I**. Children played captivating games and had an incredible experience exploring the wonders of technology. Students returned with a treasure trove of **cherished memories** from their exhilarating trip.



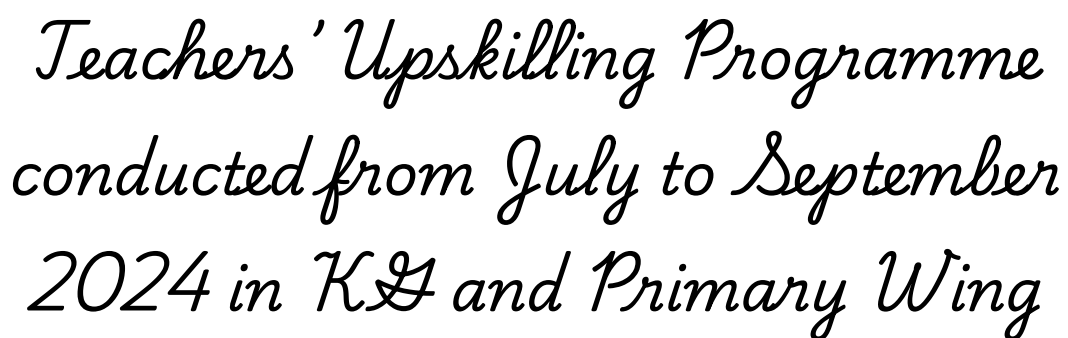
TRIP TO PUNJOY

Classes II and III experienced an exciting school trip to the Gaming Zone PunJoy. The day was filled with laughter and fun as the students enjoyed various games and activities. After a morning of thrills, children relished a delicious lunch at Burger King. The trip was a perfect mix of fun and learning, helping **students bond, develop social skills, and create lasting memories** with their friends.



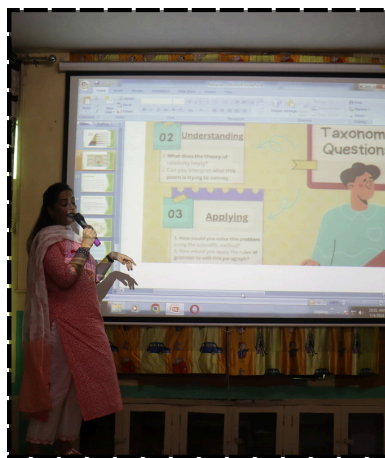


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*Teachers' Upskilling Programme
conducted from July to September
2024 in K&J and Primary Wing*

CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME



The capacity building programme for teachers aimed to enhance their professional skills and knowledge, enabling them to deliver high-quality education and foster a supportive learning environment. Through the workshop, teachers gained expertise in curriculum design, assessment, as well as strategies for inclusive education, technology integration, and student-centered learning.





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*Remarkable achievements of Josephites
from July to September 2024
in KG and Primary Wing*



Josephites are ...

GO GETTERS!



Our students participated in International Speaker Competition '24.



Amaira and Gunisha bagged the second position in Blind Fold Maze competition held at St Xavier's School, Bathinda.



Anhad Singh Garg bagged the second position in Calcudoku held at St Xavier's School, Bathinda.



Shine Sharma won Gold Medal in Talent Hunt Show.



Krishav Goyal received a Runner Up Trophy and a Participation Certificate in Battle of Brains Quiz Contest.

Sports Mania



Ishan Saxena bagged Gold Medal and Award of Honour at District Wushu Championship (Below 28 Kg).



Devansh Jindal won a trophy in cricket tournament.



Bhuvan Bansal received a trophy in Under-9 Chess Championship.



Under 12 (Boys) cricket team won Runners Up Trophy at Cricket Kids Tournament.



Our students brought laurels to the school by winning District Gold Medal (Game-Taekwondo) in 68th Punjab Inter District School Games.

Marvellous Mentorship



Mrs Shelja Singla, the SOF Coordinator of the school has been adjudged as the 'Best District Teacher' for her contribution to the cause of education, leadership and academic initiatives for 2023-24. In recognition of her allegiance, the Science Olympiad Foundation has awarded her with a trophy, a Citation and a cash prize.



Distinguished educators, **Mrs Teena and Mrs Shelja Singla**, the ITO Coordinators of the school have been acclaimed as the 'The Best Teacher' for their excellent contribution towards the students' progress and initiatives for the academic success in the session 2023-24. Indian Talent Olympiad Organization has awarded both of them with a citation, a letter of appreciation and a personalized journal.



Miss Honhaar Sidhu participated and presented research paper titled 'The Effect of Social Media and Identity Crisis' in the International Seminar on "Research for Sustainable Future- Multidisciplinary Approach" organised by Global Bridge College, Wolaita, Ethiopia. Her work is published in peer reviewed journal 'Poonam Shodh Rachna' in Volume 3 Issue VIII August 2024.



We are proud to announce that our faculty member, **Mrs Ashu Garg**, has been included in the anthology "Contemporary South Asian Women Poetry." This prestigious collection features accomplished poets. Her poems titled 'Time's Temperament' and 'Absolved' have an imprint of her beautiful penmanship.

Olympiad Result



Students of our school transformed the sublime dream into a reality with their astounding academic performance at State Level ITO exams.

Aavishi Singh- State rank three in Drawing. Awarded with a State Level certificate and scholarship of Rs 1200.

Harnaad Singh- State rank six in Drawing. Awarded with a scholarship of Rs 700.

Onish Goyal- State rank four in Mathematics and was accorded with a scholarship of Rs 1000.

Medal of excellence awarded to Dhruvin Bansal in Mathematics, Ranajay Sandhu in English, Tanvee Arora in Drawing, Moulik Garg in Mathematics, Kanika Garg in Science and Neev Bansal in Science.



It is said that Victory is not attained by chance; it must be sought for with ardor and diligence. These words are truly reflected in the spectacular performance shown by the students in Indian Talent Olympiads. Our school feels gratified to have 24 winners in Mathematics, 16 merit holders in Science, 12 meritorious pupils in English, 8 class toppers in Drawing, 3 winners in General Knowledge and one in Social Science Olympiad.