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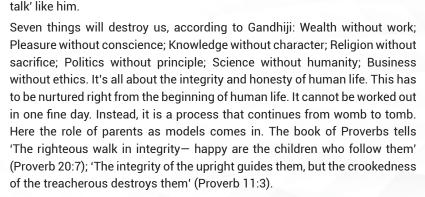
A Monthly Newsletter from Christ Cultural Department

#### **EDITORIAL BOARD**

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#### From the Head Table

'No legacy is as rich as honesty.' These great words of William Shakespeare from the play 'All's Well That Ends Well' is true when we look at the life of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, whose birthday we celebrate in October. The people around the globe cherish the happy memory of Mahatma Gandhi for his honesty and the integrity of his life. He lived what he said or wrote. He was not a leader who was speaking for a living but was living for speaking. How great our world would be if we all could 'walk the



Cultivating honesty and integrity in the minds of human beings, especially in children, is an art. This art is called 'good parenting'. Saint Kuriakose Elias Chavara tells parents that 'bringing up your children is the most important thing and the prime duty in life.' He continues: 'Children are sacred treasures entrusted to you by God Almighty.' (*Chavarul*- The Testament of a Loving Father). Therefore, right parenting brings forth citizens with honesty and integrity.

Fr. (Adv) Joy Arackal CMI Correspondent



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#### Principal's Press



My mind is drawn to the Father of our nation, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, as we contemplate the theme of honesty this month. As we read in his autobiography, from an early age, Gandhi was different from his peers. Being a student, he fought for the ideals of honesty, civility, truth, and non-violence. He experienced an unforeseen event during his first year of high school. Mr. Giles, the inspector of his school, came into Mohandas' class one day and gave the students a dictation. Mohandas wrote all the words correctly, but was unable to spell the word 'kettle'. Seeing Mohandas in trouble, his teacher signalled him from behind the inspector, asking him to copy the word from his neighbour. Young Mohandas ignored the instructions and firmly refused to cheat. When his teacher angrily questioned him, he calmly replied that he was not going to lie or cheat. It is the same steadfast commitment to upholding the truth and standing up for what is right, that Mohandas would continue to display in every stage

There should be nothing like honesty in life. Dishonesty may be successful sometimes, but in the long run, honesty is sure to succeed. The case of a student who tries to copy in the examination hall illustrates this. He may get some more marks than he would have otherwise received. But

he begins to neglect honest work in the long run. He is sure to suffer the consequences of dishonesty, as he will find himself below the standard. And let us think the other way that the student tried to copy in the examination hall and is caught red-handed by the invigilator. The paper is snatched from him, his parents are called, and he is asked for an apology letter promising not to copy again. When he reaches home, his parents rebuke him. In the company of his friends, he is put to shame and when he goes to his class, he is hated by the teachers. For a single act of dishonest deed, he finds the whole of the little world against him.

When I think of honesty lot of stories and maxims come to my mind. From the very childhood itself we have been hearing that 'honesty is the best policy', which clearly says that one should be loyal and live an honest life. An honest person always becomes happy and peaceful. Honesty solves many of our problems and leads to success. Come what may, you may lose everything in life, but don't tread the path of dishonesty. If you can follow honesty in speech, deed, and thought, life becomes sublime and meaningful. Honesty has pride of place among human values, and its offshoots include love, dharma, compassion, right conduct, proper living, righteousness, helpful tendency, belief in God, and so on.

Let me sum up with our national motto Satyameva Jayate (Truth alone wins), the focus of which has been on honest living. Each citizen is called to lead an honest life to make it meaningful, purposeful, and satisfying. Then our life will be like that of Abraham Lincoln, of whom his friend said, "He believed in the great laws of truth, the right discharge of duty, his accountability to God, the ultimate triumph of the right, and the overthrow of wrong."

Fr. Mathew Thomas CMI Principal

## Message of the STAFF SECRETARY

"The first step towards greatness is to be honest."

Honesty is the best quality, which everyone should follow in their lives. Honesty implies being true to oneself and others. It helps you to have a good relationship with your family, friends and also helps you to have a successful career. The value and importance of honesty must be nurtured from their childhood itself. Honesty makes life simple and free of complications. Furthermore, it fosters a sense of respect and self-confidence. Honest people are easily identified by the public and can achieve long-term success.

Mm. Sharmila G

#### **EDITORIAL**

"Honesty is the corner stone of all success, without which confidence and ability to perform shall cease to exist."

Honesty is the essential trait that every individual should possess. It is the necessary qualification to



become a good human being. Being honest may not get you a lot of friends, but it will ensure that you have the right ones around you. It is our duty to be honest people, because they are the noblest of God's gifts to the world.

Be honest and try to be an expensive gift to others.

Mm. Mahalakshmi

#### TEACHER'S MESSAGE

"Honesty is the first chapter in the book of wisdom."- **Thomas Jefferson** 

Honesty is being open, trustworthy, and truthful. When people are honest, they can be relied upon. Honesty is being sincere and honest with yourself and others.



Be honest with yourself and to others.

Mm. Divya (Teacher, HS)

#### **ALUMNI TALK**

Hello everyone! This is Tumpa Singh, an ex-Christite. I have completed my schooling in the year 2021. Christ School is a haven of knowledge and bliss. It has given me the opportunity to learn and grow in every aspect of my life. In Christ, I have received a boost not just for my studies, but for my cocurricular activities as well. Every step of the way, I received love & support from my teachers. In a number of ways, they have encouraged me to polish my hidden talents. Christ School was more than a school to me; it was a family, and becoming a Christite was one of the best decisions in my life. Best wishes for the upcoming batches, and I hope you enjoy all the advantages of being a Christite on campus. Do well!

Tumpa Singh (2021 Batch)

#### PARENT'S MESSAGE

"Honesty is the best policy."

Honesty refers to the state of being truthful always. A person who speaks truth is the one that possesses a good character. Moral values need to be inculcated from the very beginning of life so that we can emerge as better people and prove to be beneficial to society.



The characteristics of an honest person include maintaining decorum, adhering to rules and guidelines, speaking the truth, and being disciplined. In this regard, the famous quote "honesty is the best policy" states that it is better to tell the truth than to lie, even if it is difficult to do so. Parents, teach this phrase to your children from their childhood so that they should realize the importance of truth in life.

However, nowadays, we can see how people are deceiving each other for their own selfish purposes. Even children are being dishonest to their parents due to lack of communication and understanding. It is, therefore, necessary to revive this old phrase into the hearts of the people so that they stop doing activities which are harmful to them and the nation at large. Honesty is the precious facet of one's life and we should always try to stick to honesty in every phase of life.

In conclusion: maintaining honesty and integrity are vital for living a happy and regret-free life. It teaches us to remain kind, truthful and punctual towards our work and personal life. It also makes us authentic and ethical at different stages of our lives. No matter what the field you work in, honesty is a must for success and a peaceful life, whether you are a teenager or an adult. Honesty makes you confident and courageous and strengthens your power to face the challenges of life.

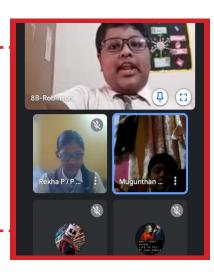
Nisha Dinesh

(M/o DN Preetha, G10-C)

#### VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY

"Words are not only the vehicles in which thoughts are delivered, but also part of thinking."

Under the guidance of Mm. Sudhamalar, the G8-B students held a virtual assembly on the topic of honesty. Roshitha led the assembly proceedings, including prayer, oath taking, Thirukural, news reading, and a message on Unity in Diversity. Mm. Jasmine Minu delivered a motivating message. The assembly concluded with the national anthem.



## TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION



"Great teachers emanate out of knowledge, passion and compassion." - Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam

Teachers' Day is observed on 05 September each year to commemorate Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan's birthday. On the same day, the tiny tots of Christ School celebrated Teachers' Day online. Riya Maria Deepak from KG2 introduced the event, which was followed by a welcome address by Mm. Agalya, the teacher-in-charge. The programme drew in a total of 16 children. Our KG tots demonstrated their abilities via speech, dance, fancy dress, and music. In honour of their teachers, students shared their experiences with teachers and sent out countless greetings. R. Rakshita from KG1-A presented a vote of thanks at the close of the event, which was followed by National Anthem.

Students of G10-B and G2-B organized the teachers' day celebrations with the guidance of Mm. Rexlin Joe and Mm. Sindhu. The event began with a lovely song and was accompanied by marvellous dancing, rhythmic Tamil song, and heartwarming words from our young ones. Our parents delivered a thank-you speech. As a way of thanking teachers, an animated video was made and shown. Our tiny shrimp delivered a Corona awareness oration, which was followed by the National Anthem. It served as a showcase for the ideals and scarification of teachers during the epidemic.

#### LITERACY DAY



"Literacy is not a luxury; it's a right and a responsibility."

Students from G10-A and G2-C created a video tribute with the aid of in-charge teachers Mm. Mahalakshmi, Mm. Selesteena, and Mm. Janani to raise awareness about the rights and responsibilities regarding literacy.

The presentation began with a prayer hymn, which was followed by a welcoming address. The event featured classical dancing and other innovative, thought-provoking programmes. The kids' fancydress section raised genuine literacy awareness. Finally, as part of their responsibilities for the day, small Christites taught their grandparents to read and write.

## NATIONAL HINDI DAY CELEBRATION

To encourage the spread of Hindi, the national language, our school's Hindi department hosteda virtual National Hindi Day celebration on 14 September 2021. The children eagerly took part in the Hindi Day event. This programme demonstrated their fondness for Hindi and their grasp of the language. The blooming buds of Christ showed their prowess at the Hindi Divas celebration. We would like to convey our gratitude and best wishes to the Hindi Department teachers, Mm. Rekha and Mm. Safeena, for initiating this excellent programme.

#### **WORLD OZONE DAY**



"The only thing that stops the earth from getting fried is the ozone layer; protect it and protect yourself."

World Ozone day is observed every year on 16 September. On the same day, our school created an awareness video with the collaboration of our G9-C and G2-D students. They developed the perception of ozone day and demonstrated the importance of the ozone layer via various events such as speeches, poems, drawings, songs, and dance. The program emphasized that ozone is not only vital for our existence on earth, but it must also be conserved for future generations. Thank you very much Mm. Alphonsa, Mm. Jeya, and Mm. Anitha for your initiative in making this event a success.

#### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

"Peace is not the highest goal in life. It's is the most fundamental requirement."

International Peace Day was celebrated on 21 September by G9-B and G3-A students. The program's highlights included a speech on the origin of World Peace Day and an explanation of various symbols used to represent peace. A lovely slide show commemorated and reiterated the principles of World Peace Day. A big thanks to all our kids, parents, and teachers, especially, Mm. Jenifer, Mm. Jayashree, and Mm. Suganthi Cecilia, who helped to shape this event a success.

#### SAINT CHAVARA SRESHTA **GURU AWARD-2021**



"Being told you're appreciated is one of the simplest and most uplifting things you can hear."

On 14 September, Christ took a moment to honour the excelling ones with the Saint Chavara Sreshta Guru Award 2021 to appreciate the outstanding teaching service. Rev. Fr. Dr. Johnson Valiyakulathil CMI, Vicar Provincial of Preshitha CMI Province, Coimbatore, Rev. Fr. Dr. Anson Panengaden CMI, Former Principal, Rev. Fr. Adv. Joy Arackal CMI, Correspondent, Rev. Fr. Mathew Thomas CMI, our beloved Principal, and other distinguished staff members graced the event. Lisieux Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Coimbatore hosted this award in collaboration with Little Flower Education Society. Fr. Johnson presented the awards and delivered a motivational speech.

#### The awardees are:

Mm. Sharmila G (Staff Secretary) - cash prize, memento & certificate

Mm. Mily Samuel - memento & certificate

Mm. Sushama - memento & certificate

Hearty congratulations to the winners!

#### TUNE ON HEALTH

"Health is a priceless wealth. Invest while you can."

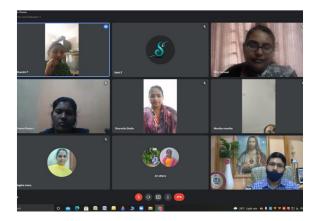
As we know that a healthy outside starts from the inside, Christ stepped ahead along with the health department and distributed the deworming tablets on 15 September through which the intake of nutritional diet will be increased among the children.

#### **EXAMINATIONS**

"Stay positive, work hard, and make it happen."

The SA1 examination was held from 13 to 22 September. While students from G9-G12 attended in person strictly following the Covid protocol, the rest of the students attended online from home and submitted their answer sheets at the school. Exams help students develop their personalities and learning abilities. It improves their ability, tolerance, persistence, and other positive traits. Finally, their achievement is always accompanied by dignity and honour.

#### STAFF SEMINAR



On September 23, the monthly staff seminar was held online on the theme "the education system." Mm. Selvi moderated the seminar. Mm. Sushama highlighted the right to an education and emphasized that education is a powerful weapon. Mm. Sharmila expressed her thoughts about students and the modern era. Mm. Mily spoke on how to be a professional teacher. Almost the entire staff attended the seminar. Following the presentation, there was an interactive session. Mm. Shanthi delivered a vote of thanks. Thanks to the entire seminar team (Mm. Selvi T, Mm. Sushama, Mm. Sharmila, Mm. Mily, Mm. Christy, Mm. Rajeswari, Mm. Monica, and Mm. Shanthi) and all participants.

#### **WORD POWER** by ANGEL REJI, G12-C

**Voracious** - very eager for something (He is a voracious reader of historical Novels.)

- a person with a beauty (What a beautiful baby! She is totally angeliferous.) **Angeliferous** 

Chillax - relax (Let's chillax at a hillstation on Saturday and watch the cricket game.)

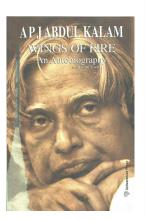
#### **SOUL READERS**

Wings of Fire: An Autobiography of Abdul Kalam

- by Mohammed Muddasir Basha, G11-A
- This book is a motivating autobiography that recounts how a regular little boy from Rameswaram became a distinguished scientist and eventually rose to the position of President of India.
- · Abdul Kalam's path, which began with humble beginnings and numerous ups and downs, serves as a gentle reminder to all Indians who blame others for their living conditions and lack of chances.
- · The book's finest feature is that it teaches us how to achieve success and, more significantly, how to overcome setbacks in our lives.
- The book also goes into great depth regarding the revival of rocket science in India (after the fall of Mysore). The establishments of Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launch Station (TERLS), VSSC, SHAR Rocket Launch Station, INSA, ISRO, and indigenous manufacture of RATO (DRDO) & SLVs (ISRO).
- · Throughout the book, Abdul Kalam poses questions based on common sense and socialism that ignite the fire within, inspiring the youths of the nation.
- · Although the book provides a lot of project technical information that some people may find uninteresting, it also precisely discusses team management and highlights the traits of a leader and how he overcame obstacles to become one.
- This is the best and must-read book for everyone to read since there is something in it for everyone!!

Review by Muhammed Mudassir Basha G11-A





#### **EVENT BUZZ**

#### October 2021

Oct 2 - Gandhi Jayathi

Oct 4 - School Reopens

after Term Holidays

Oct 14-15 – Pooja Holidays

Oct 19 - Milad-un-Nabi,

Anniversary of Late Fr. Johnson CMI

Oct 25 - FA3 Exam begins



#### **CHRIST CREATIVE HUB**

#### **Montreal Protocol**

This year theme of celebrating World Ozone Day on 16th September 2021 is "Montreal Protocol- keeping us, our food, and vaccine cool". The protocol has been universally ratified.

The ozone layer, a fragile shield of gas, protects the Earth from the harmful portion of rays of the sun, thus helping preserve life on the planet. Man-made chemicals - methyl bromide, methyl chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, chloroflurocarbons (CFCs) and hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) have been found to be extremely damaging the ozone layer.

The principal aim of Montreal Protocol is to protect the ozone layer by taking measures to control total global production and consumption of substances. Food produced globally for human consumption is either lost or wasted each year, largely due to lack of access to cold chain. By developing cold chain solutions, we can have more efficient, more climate friendly, and cheaper to buy, operate and keep food, vaccines cool. Cold chains will become more effective and widely available.

Mm. Mily Samuel
Hr. Sec. Co-ordinator

## World Peace

Poem by Merin Boban, G12-C

When wars and conflicts totally cease, In our world, there shall be peace. People must learn to get along, Not blame others, for being wrong.

They fight for control, fight for land, Some just need a helping hand. We must rid ourselves of vanity, And embrace peace, through humanity.

Wars make children so much tougher, Lose their innocence, while they suffer. We should fight for peace instead, Love not war, we should spread.



### Teachers' Day

Poem by A. Aisha Siddiqa, G3-D

I am happy that you are my teacher;
I enjoy each lesson you teach,
As my role model you inspire me,
To dream to work and to reach.

With your kindness you get my attention;
Every day you are planting a seed,
Of curiosity and motivation,
To know and to grow and succeed.

You help me fulfill my potential;
I am thankful for all that you have done,
I admire you each day, and I just want to say,
As a teacher, you are number one!



#### Peace

G12-C

Peace... Poem by Divyadarshini S. Peace we achieve

When we do not expect anything,

From the world;

But only give, give and give unconditionally, What we have and what we are. Do not let the behavior of others, Destroy your inner peace. Because, peace is always beautiful!



#### कोरोना

by Tamil Selvan, G8-C

हर घर में यही नारा है कोरोना को हराना है इसने कैसा चक्कर चलाया, बडे बडों को घर में बैठाया, अब इसकी भी भगाना है, फिर से धुमने जाना है! थाली से सब्जी गायब, मंह से पान और मावा गायब, महंगाई का जमाना है, कोरोना को हराना है।



by S. Kamalesh Waran, G8-A

चाह नहीं, मैं सुरबाला के, गहनों में गूंथा जाऊं, चाह नहीं प्रेमी-माला में, बिंध प्यारी को ललचाऊं. चाह नहीं सम्राटों के शव. पर है हरी डाला जाऊं. चाह नहीं देवों के सिर पर, चढँ भाग्य पर इठलाऊं, मुझे तोड़ लेना बनमाली, उस पथ पर देना तुम फेंक, मातृ-भृमि पर शिश-चढाने, जिस पथ पर जावें वीर अनेक।



#### சமாதானம்

Mr. Manikandan, Hr. Sec. Teacher

வெள்ளைப் புறாக்களே நில்லுங்கள் ! –

எங்கள் சொல்லைக் கேட்டு நீங்கள் செல்லுங்கள் எல்லை புறந்தாண்டிச் செல்லுங்கள்! -

எங்கள் ஏக்கத்தைப் புரிந்து கொள்ளுங்கள்! தானத்தில் சிறந்தது நிதானம்! –

இதைச் சரியென்றே சொல்லுமிந்தச் சமாதானம்!

மேகங்கள் மோதிட மழை தானே! –

மனித தேகங்கள் மோதிடப் பிழைதானே!

சமாதானம் வேண்டும் தேசம்! -

இது சாதிப் சண்டையால் பெருஞ்சேதம்!

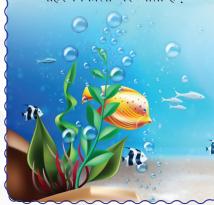
சாந்தம் நமது முதல் வேதம்! –

இந்தச் சரித்திரம் தெரிந்தால் போதும்!

#### मछली

by P. Paulina Dimple, G3-B

मछली जलकी रानी है, जीवन उसका पानी है! हाथ लजाओ डर जाती है, बाहर निकालो मर जाती है!



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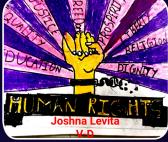
































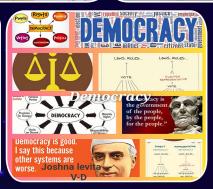












# Teachers Day

























# LITERACY DAY









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