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READING DAY CELEBRATION

The Reading Day celebrations held on June 19, 2023, at St. Paul's College, Kalamassery, were a resounding success, bringing together students, faculty, and literary enthusiasts from the college. The event, jointly organized by the Departments of Malayalam, HIndi, English, Literary Club and College Library aimed to promote the love for reading and literature among the youth. The faculty coordinator of the Reading Day celebration was Ms. Lekha NK.

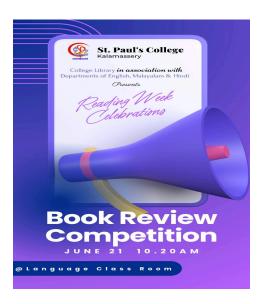
The celebration was inaugurated by Mrs. Thasmin Shihab, a distinguished writer and teacher known for her contributions to Malayalam literature. Her inaugural address emphasized the importance of reading in personal and intellectual development.Fr Felix Chullikal delivered the presidential address, and Principal Dr Savitha K S delivered a speech highlighting the role of education and literature in shaping responsible citizens and fostering a culture of knowledge. Throughout the day, various competitions and programs were conducted to engage students actively in literary pursuits.





BOOK REVIEW COMPETITION

A Book Review Competition was conducted as part of the celebrations, inviting participants to review a book of their choice. This competition aimed to encourage critical thinking and articulate expression among students. The competition saw enthusiastic participation, and the reviews were evaluated based on originality, depth of analysis, and clarity of expression.



BASHEER ANUSMARANAM

On July 10th, 2023, the Department of Malayalam commemorated Basheer Commemorative Day with a literature quiz centered on Basheerinte Sarga Prapanjam. The event, inaugurated by Dr. Savitha K S, the College Principal, celebrated the enduring legacy of Vaikom Muhammad Basheer, one of Kerala's most cherished literary figures. The quiz aimed to deepen students' understanding of Basheer's works. Faculty coordinator Lekha NK and student coordinator Tessy Prince orchestrated a stimulating competition that engaged participants in a spirited exchange of ideas and interpretations, fostering a vibrant atmosphere of literary appreciation and scholarly dialogue.





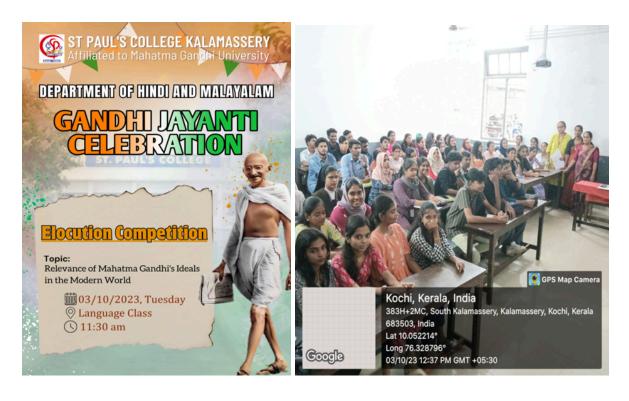
INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Independence Day celebration of 2023 was a vibrant and patriotic event held on the 14th of August. The celebration aimed to commemorate the nation's freedom and foster a sense of unity and pride among all participants. The departments of Hindi and Malayalam jointly co-ordinated the Independence Day Program. The highlight of the event was an essay writing competition conducted in three languages: Hindi, Malayalam, and English. The essay writing competition aimed to encourage students to express their thoughts and ideas about Independence Day, its significance, and what it means to them. It also provided a platform for them to showcase their linguistic skills and creativity. Students from different grades enthusiastically participated in the competition. Each participant was given a time slot of one hour to write their essay on the topic "The Significance of Independence Day in Contemporary India".



GANDHI JAYANTI

On October 3rd, 2023, the Departments of Hindi and Malayalam at the institution jointly organized an elocution competition to commemorate Gandhi Jayanti, celebrating the 154th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The event aimed to explore the enduring relevance of Gandhi's ideals in today's world. Participants eloquently spoke on the topic "Relevance of Mahatma Gandhi's Ideals in the Modern World," showcasing their deep understanding and interpretations of Gandhi's principles such as non-violence, truth, and social justice. The competition provided a platform for students to reflect on how Gandhi's teachings can address contemporary global challenges, fostering thoughtful dialogue among participants and the audience.



KERALA PIRAVI DINAM AND BHARANA BHASHA VARAM

On Kerala Piravi Day, celebrations were held across the state with fervor and enthusiasm to commemorate the formation of Kerala state. The Department of Malayalam organized Kerala piravi day celebrationand Bharana Basha Varam, a week-long event aimed at promoting Malayalam language and culture. One of the main highlights was a seminar titled "Keralathile Nadodi Natakangal - Mudiyett" featuring renowned Mudiyettu performer Unnikrishnan Kattampak. His insightful presentation provided a deep dive into the traditional folk theater forms of Kerala, enriching the audience's understanding of cultural heritage. Additionally, activities such as the Bharana Bhasha Pledge, Nadan Pattu and poetry recitation competition further engaged participants in celebrating the richness of Malayalam language and its integral role in Kerala's identity. The event was effectively coordinated by Lekha NK, faculty, dept of malayalam and student coordinator Tessy Prince, ensuring a seamless execution of diverse programs that resonated with attendees.

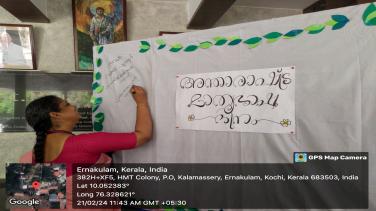


INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

On February 21, 2024, the Department of Malayalam, in collaboration with the Department of Hindi and the Literary Club, organized an inspiring celebration of International Mother Language Day at Baccinelli hall St. Paul's College Kalamassery. The event was marked by the presence of esteemed guests and dignitaries, including Sri Ganesh Puthur, renowned poet and recipient of the Yuva Puraskar by Kendra Sahitya Academy, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The event was inaugurated by Fr. Felix Chullikal, Director and Dr. Savitha K. S., Principal of the institution, delivered the presidential address, emphasizing the significance of linguistic diversity and cultural heritage.

Dr. Binu P.C., the College Librarian, and Dr. Pramada Ramachandran, the College Vice Principal, felicitated the celebration. The coordination efforts were commendably led by Sarath B.S and Dr. Rakhi Clement, faculty coordinators, alongside Tessy Prince, Mahadev G S, Fathima K A. Vijitha Selin who efficiently managed the student coordination. The event successfully underscored the importance of language preservation and cultural exchange, fostering a deeper appreciation for the rich tapestry of languages that contribute to our global heritage.









INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

On March 19, 2024, the Department of Malayalam, in association with the Department of Hindi and the Literary Club of St. Paul's College, Kalamassery, organized a notable event to celebrate International Women's Day. The event, themed "Women in History," was held in the Seminar Hall. Mrs. Rosy Martin, college housekeeping staff member with 18 years of dedicated service, was the chief guest. The inauguration was led by Fr. Varghese Valiyaparambil, the college manager, and the presidential address was delivered by Dr. Pramada Ramachandran, the College Principal. Dr. Poornima N, coordinator of the Women's Cell, and Dr. Binu P.C., the college librarian, also felicitated the gathering.

The event featured the distribution of prizes for various competitions, highlighting the students' talents. Faculty coordinators Sarath B.S. and Rakhi Clement, along with student coordinators Sr. Judy and Ashkar Shaji, played crucial roles in organizing the event. A significant highlight was the presentation of papers by students on "Unsung Women of History," which brought to light the remarkable yet often overlooked contributions of women throughout history. The celebration successfully honored the achievements of women and fostered a spirit of recognition and empowerment among the attendees.





