# THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES 2016-17

#### CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

**CSS Activity** 

As part of their CSS programme, the II DC students visited the Pain and Palliative Care Society, Trichur on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017. They imbibed the spirit of palliative care from the interaction they had with the volunteers, staff and patients. They were accompanied by Ms Bindu Ann Philip and Ms Deepthy Mohan. They also made a financial contribution to the society. The III DC students accompanied by Ms Jency James and Ms Keerthy Sophia Ponnachan visited the society on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017.



## **ENVIRONMENT DAY ACTIVITIES**

# **Elocution Competition**

An Elocution Competition was conducted in connection with the World Environment Day celebration on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016. The first prize was bagged by Anjana K of III DC English and Briji Maria of II DC BBA. The second prize was secured by Akhila M.G. of II DC B.Com. The third prize was won by Parvathy Warrier of II DC English. The competition was judged by Ms Bindu Ann Philip and Ms Preema Paul of the Dept of English.

## L'ARIA FESCA AND SWACCH BHARATH

As part of L'Aria Fesca, the II DC English students cleaned the classrooms and corridors. The main focus of the activity was to remove plastic wastes from the college premises.

#### **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **DEAR**

The Department of English organized a programme called 'DEAR' i.e, Drop Everything And Read on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016 to promote reading habit among the staff and students in connection with 'Vayanavaram'. Every member of the college was encouraged to read for 5 minutes during the lunch interval.



#### SANTHWANA SPARSHAM

Santhwana Sparsham was initiated by the Department of English, St.Mary's College, Thrissur in 2014 with the vision to offer every student of St. Mary's college the opportunity and right to receive direct information about organ donation. On 8th August 2016 the Department of English organized an organ donation awareness programme in the college Jubilee Hall to provide awareness on the need for organ donation and its methods. Mr. Anshad Guruvayoor who is a leading fashion photographer and also a well known social worker came to give a lecture to all the first year and second year degree students.



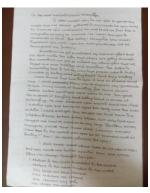
# POSTER MAKING COMPETITION

A Poster Making Competition was conducted by the Dept of BSW as part of the organ donation campaign in association with K.Chittilappilly Foundation. Sherin Joseph of I DC English secured the first prize and Angel John of I DC English secured the second prize for the same.

#### LETTER WRITING COMPETITION

The Department of English in association with Library and Literary Club conducted a Letter Writing competition on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016 as part of the Teacher's Day Celebrations. Twenty nine students from various departments participated in the competition. The students were asked to write letters to people who have influenced





and inspired their lives. The first prize was awarded to Niha Hanees of I DC Microbiology, the second prize went to Swati B Nair of I DC Microbiology and the third prize was given to Amrita Lakshmi of II DC English.



#### ASSOCIATION INAUGURATION

The English Association was inaugurated on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016 by Smt. Najma K.M, Chief Tutor, District Centre for English, Trichur.

Ms Najma handled an engaging session that focused on the development of communication skills.



## **CHANNEL VISIT**

The II DC English and the Film Studies students visited to Flowers channel as part of experiential learning on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016. They were accompanied by Ms Abhini P K and Ms Keerthy Sophia Ponnachan. The III DC students visited the Flowers channel on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016.



# **BOOK EXHIBITION AND LITERARY QUIZ**

Department of English in association with Green Books, Thrissur conducted a Book Exhibition cum Sale on 28th October 2016, Friday. Renowned scriptwriter Shri Kalavoor Ravikumar was the Chief Guest of the day. Our Principal, Dr.Sr. Marriette A Therattil delivered the presidential address, and the Head of the Department of English, Dr.Josepheni Joseph and Dr.Bindu Ann Philip presided over the formal ceremony conducted in the Jubilee Hall. This was followed by the ribbon cutting ceremony to the Exhibition. Numerous books, both in English and Malayalam, were made available to the students at a discounted price. The Exhibition was open from 09.30 am to 03.30 pm.

The manuscript magazines submitted by the various departments for the Manuscript Magazine Competition were displayed at the Exhibition. The book reviews submitted by the students of the Department of English and the Library and Literary Club were also presented at the venue.

A literary quiz was conducted by Ms. Meghna Davy and Ms. Ega Peter as part of the Exhibition. The questions were based on the life and works of five Booker Prize winning authors. Five teams reached the final, following the preliminary round conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016, in which 17 teams participated. The first prize was won by Sriya Sreenivas, Joyce Davis and Gladwyno Ousjes of I DC Chemistry; the second prize by Neelima P.R, Amiya C and Maneesha K P of III DC English; and the third prize by Grace Joy, Khadeeja Shabnam and Amritha Lakshmi of II DC English.





# **ELOCUTION COMPETITION**

Renu Pavoo of I DC English won the second prize and Angel John of I DC English secured the third prize in the elocution competition conducted by the Dept of Economics on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

#### MANUSCRIPT MAGAZINE

An interdepartmental magazine manuscript competition was conducted by the Dept of English for the academic year 2016-17. The competition was announced on 9th August 2016. Eleven departments participated in the competition. The magazines were submitted on 18th November 2016. The first prize was bagged by "Etiris" of the Dept of BBA. The second prize was awarded to "Iogeni" of the Dept of Chemistry and the third prize went to "Eva" of the Dept of Microbiology. The best cover page title was given to "Iogeni". Femina M.M of III DC BBA won the title of the best editor for "Etiris". Amiya .C of III DC English was given the prize for the best artwork and the best article for "Reeves".

#### SPECTACULUM 2016

The students from the Dept of English won the second prize in Spectaculum 2016, an intercollegiate Shakesperean drama competition organized by the Dept of English, St Joseph's College, Irinjalakuda on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

#### WONDER WOMAN CONTEST

A competition was organized as part of gender sensitization programme by the Department on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. The students staged scenes from the lives of women who influenced and inspired them. The following is the result of the contest:

I Prize: Department of English

II Prize: Department of commerce

III prize: Department of Computer Applications and Department of History

The competition was judged by Ms Simmy Jijo of Department of social work, Ms Nithya C S of Department of Chemistry and Ms Abhini P K of Department of English.



# **BEST JOURNAL COMPETITION**

The interdepartmental Best Journal Competition was announced on 12/01/2017 and conducted on 13/01/2017. There were four teams consisting of 3 members each.

The result of the competition is as follows:

First prize: Angel John, Henna Davis & Sherin Joseph

Second Prize: Anjali.V.Asokan, Renu Pavoo & Anagha Agnes



# COMMUNICATION SKILL ENHANCEMENT CLASS

As part of improving the English communication skills among the teachers, Ms Abhini P K engaged in an interactive session with the teachers of Dept of Biotechnology on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

Ms Keerthy Sophia Ponnachan and Ms Jency James took English communication skill classes for the non-teaching staff on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Ms Bindu Ann Philip conducted the class for the non-teaching staff.

#### LIFE GUIDANCE CLASS

The III DC English students attended a three day life guidance class in the college from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

#### RESEARCH FORUM

To improve the research acumen of our students, they are encouraged to present research papers as a part of the research forum activity.

#### LIBRARY AND LITERARY CLUB

The Library and Literary Club was inaugurated by Smt Rema Menon, writer and translator, on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Ms Rema Menon enriched us with her insights on writing and translation.

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES

#### INTERCOLLEGIATE PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Ms Abhini. P K judged the competition conducted by the Dept of Zoology on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

#### INTERDEPARTMENTAL PAPER PRESENTATION COMPETITION

Ms Bindu Ann Philip judged a paper presentation competition conducted by the IQAC in Vimala College on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

#### POSTER MAKING COMPETITION

Ms Bindu Ann Philip judged the poster making competition organized by the Dept of Botany on 11th November 2016.

# **ELOCUTION COMPETITION**

Ms Jency James and Ms Ega Peter judged an elocution competition organized by the Dept of Economics on the topic "Make in India as I see". The competition was held on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

#### **GEM OF ST MARY'S**

Dr Bindu Ann Philip judged the competition. Jonitha Joyson of III DC English was declared the first runner up of the same on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

#### MISS BELISSA CONTEST

Ms Jency James and Ms Keerthy Sophia judged the competition on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2016.

### STAR OF VIMALA CONTEST

Dr Bindu Ann Philip was invited to judge the star of Vimala contest 2016-17 on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016.