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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

At the fag end of the academic year, many of you will be faced with choices. It will be a fresh start for new things to happen, new experiences to shape you and a bouquet of fresh and exciting thoughts and ideas to march you towards success.

In order to make the best use of the choices that lie in front of you, you have to be transformed into responsible and empowered young Indians.

Apart from the much-required scholastic knowledge, what is required in each one of us is empathy. Empathy increases when we are inquisitive, when we ask questions, when we listen deeply and try to understand what is going on. Only empathy can help you to understand another's perspective. Only empathy can help you to take the required action.

Be mindful of the varying cultures around you and understand with respect and inclusiveness whatever is happening around you. Read up on people, cultures, traditions and habits. Interact with people who are very different from you and let it be a learning experience.

On a personal level, empower yourselves to lead a socially progressive and productive life. Find out what you want and then focus on it. If you choose clearly, things will change within you and you will achieve more with less energy.

Forget your past, your failures and mistakes. Accept them and analyse what led you to it and let it be another learning. Look towards the future, look at the great things you can do - you are capable of it.

Eschew nepotism, caste, gender discrimination and violence always. In your quest for a new order, a new India, remember that you are strong enough to handle your challenges, wise enough to find a solution to your problem and capable of facing any challenge. There is a hero in everyone.

This is your time to found a new order, your year to usher in a new period in your life - go ahead with confidence.

God bless you in every moment of your lives.



Mrs. Saji Varghese Principal

## **SHADOWS OF NATURE**





Artists abound in Christu Jayanthi and 200 of them exhibited 350 pictures in the 7th Edition of 'Shadows of Nature', the Annual exhibition of paintings, held at Kerala Art Museum, Edappally. Shri Siyad Koker, Film producer and Pof. T G Jyothilal, Head of the Fine Arts Dept., Shri Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady jointly inaugurated the Exhibition. More than 5000 visitors flocked to the Museum where the exhibition was held between October 17-20.

### **'FROM MOHAN TO THE MAHATMA'**



Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, the Saint from Sabarmathi, is revered in the world as a beacon of truth, non-violence and peace. The Primary followed the journey of Gandhi, from his childhood to the end, his assassination. They showcased the important events of his life through tableaux. There was also a display of posters, letters and postcards written to Gandhiji. Truly, it was a journey that refreshed memories of Bapu, the Father of our Nation.

## **BIRTHDAYS - RED LETTER DAYS**





Students expressed their joy and love for Ma'am and Father through their colourful dances and melodious songs.



Celebrating the birthdays of our Director, Rev. Fr. Augustine Mampilly and our Principal Saji Ma'am are red-letter days for us here at RCJPS. It is then that we get an opportunity to express our deep affection and respect for these navigators of our school. We also get a chance to show our heart-felt gratitude for all that they do for us the whole year through.

#### TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION



#### 'Teachers affect eternity, one can never tell where their influence stops.'

A day to be looked forward to, Teachers' Day, was made even more special by the assembly hosted by teachers. Performances by the students were dedicated to teachers. This day was one where students made a special effort to thank teachers and to show their love and respect to them for being unfailing beacons of inspiration and guidance. -Elvina Ann Charly, XI B

#### LIVING HUES...





Talented artist Meghna Robins held a solo exhibition of her paintings 'Living Hues' at the Durbar Hall Art Centre. Art for Meghna is an independent exploration of nature and its mysteries as well as her personal identity.

## CHILDREN'S DAY - CELEBRATING THE CHILD IN YOU











The Senate along with Class 11 organised a fun-filled Carnival on Children's Day, replete with delectable food, lively music, movies and games. The proceeds from this extravaganza go towards the School's charity initiative, 'Karunyam' which is in its 9th successful year. The aid which the school gives includes financial help, building homes as well as other assistance to the poor and the needy.

#### **KERALA PIRAVI CELEBRATIONS**











November 1, Kerala Piravi Day was celebrated with a work-shop, 'Sarga Sameeksha' conducted in collaboration with Akshya Pustaka Nidhi. Renowned men of letters, Shri Sippi Pallippurum and Shri Payipra Radhakrishnan urged the students to read more to develop their creativity. Sessions by cartoonist Shatru and singer Mahesh Mohan followed. Students recognized the strenuous effort that people put in to create masterpieces in literature.

# **RCJPS LAURELS**

#### OVERALL WINNERS - CROSSROADS, GLOBAL PUBLIC SCHOOL



RUNNERS UP - FREEDOM QUEST, AL- AMEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL



OVERALL WINNERS - FABULA RAJAGIRI H. S. SCHOOL

RUNNERS UP - SPLENDORE, RAJAGIRI COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES







FIRST RUNNERS UP, 'MONTAGE' ALL KERALA PAINTING EXHIBITION GLOBAL PUBLIC SCHOOL.



Anjali Arul, National Kick-Boxing Champion Juniors, Telangana. First for light contact, Second for point fight.



Seles
Maria Rajan
secured
Second
Position CBSE South
Zone Judo
Championship
under-17 held
at Bangalore.



CBSE, South
Zone Swimming
Competition,
Cedrina Elizabeth
Libera secured
Third Prize for
100m backstroke, First for
50m back-stroke
and 50m butterfly.

### **READ MORE TO GROW MORE**





Book Fair, Central Library Department.



"Stay there, I have commanded a widow in that place to supply you with food." So Elijah went to Zarephath. He came to the town gate. A widow was there gathering sticks. He called out to her. He asked,"Would you bring me a little water in a jar? I need a drink." -Kings 17;9-10

#### Sometimes God will send one of His special servants into our lives to help us.

God has special servants everywhere, all the time. When we need someone like that, God makes sure to send us a helper! One of God's special helpers from long ago was the prophet Elijah. God sent Elijah to help a poor widow who was very hungry.

Am I one of your special servants, Lord?



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