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“We can never give up longing and wishing while we are thoroughly alive.” George Eliot

St. Claret School Borjhar started the new session for the year 2022-23 on 20th April, 2022 for Classes I- XII. Rev. Fr. Dr. Benoy Joseph, the Principal of the institution extended his heartiest welcome to all the students to this new academic session with joy and exuberance.

Claretines also greeted the school spirit through the collective actions, thoughts and aspirations.

Donning the mantle of accountability, the formal inauguration of the academic session cum farewell to Rev. Fr. Thomas was held on 7th April 2022. Shri H.P.S. Kandari, Commandant, NDRF, Guwahati was the chief guest and Rev. Fr. Pious, Major Superior, Claretines, North East India, was the guest of honour.

The initiation ceremony of L.K.G. students was held on 29th April 2022. Fr. Thomas Manakuzhyil welcomed the new buds and their parents to St. Claret School Borjhar. Dr. Dhruvajyoti Baruah, S.D.M.O. of Azara P.H.C. was the chief guest. In his address, he appreciated the kids with zeal and encouraged the parents to put their trust in the school management.

Seminar and Workshops

Seminars and workshops help improve new skills and hold great importance in the lives of a learner. They are platforms to learn new aspects, new perspectives, information, and also provide a platform for networking.

The department of Electronics, Assam Don Bosco University conducted a seminar on ‘Electrical Safety,’ for class XII students on 11th May 2022. Demonstrations were presented on safety measures which made the seminar lively.

Indian Educational Technology Company (Siqes Eduaid), organized a short seminar on ‘Career Counselling and Digital Distractions,’ for classes IX and X. In order to create a seamless and friendly environment to help and guide each of the students, a session on Psycho-Counselling was conducted for the students of classes VIII to XII by Rev. Fr. Jaison Perumperumpalliolicakal, C.M.F. Father provided the students with new sense of direction about basic issues such as exam pressure, peer-pressure bullying etc.

Motivation is a major learning determinant. Therefore, in order to enhance this tool with specific strategies three different workshops were held on the topic – Motivational Dynamic, Goal Setting and Skill Development for students of Classes VIII, IX and X. Father Principal also attended a seminar cum workshop on CBSE reforms for implementation of National Education Policy (NEP 2020) and Structured Assessment for Analyzing Learning(SAFAL) organized by Sahodaya School Complex Guwahati.

On 12th October 2022, a training on Self-Defense for girl students of Classes VIII to X was organized to improve their mental, physical, and intellectual capabilities.

Covid Vaccination Drive:

To mitigate the impact of pandemic, St Claret School, Borjhar had also undertaken several initiatives to combat its effect through a covid vaccination drive for students between the ages of 12 – 15 years began on 23rd of April 2022 from 10 a.m. onwards. The school administration made sure every covid protocol was followed and ensured everyone to wear masks and took necessary precautions.

General Health Checkup:

On 17th October 2022, a health check-up by Project Child Organization began for all students. Teachers were briefed about the need of medical check-up by Dr. Shantanu, the project director.

Competitions at School:

The students of St. Claret School, Borjhar got a good platform to exhibit their talent and skills with great enthusiasm and passion in different events which were grouped in different levels. The events included Quiz, Extempore Speech, Debate, and Solo-Dance. The events were very well organized, everything was systematically planned and executed. The main motto behind these competitions was to bind everyone together to enjoy all the events in celebration of art, literature and culture.

Olympiads:

Olympiads are also conducted at school, which gives ample opportunity that lets the students compete with other students on a similar education level. ISFO, Orange Olympiad and Silver Olympiad exams were also held for the students to explore new possibilities.

Events and Celebrations:

Celebrations are an opportunity to deepen the bonds by bringing people together and, special events blossom into beautiful moments. The institution engages the students not only through academic learning per se, but also incorporates in celebrating special occasions.

World Environment Day

A plantation drive was carried out at the school campus as a part of the observance of World Environment Day. Together with the teaching staff and students, the school management committee observed various activities like Drawing Competition, Poster Making Competition, Sapling Plantation, Flower Pot arrangement and cleaning the surrounding of the campus were organized.

It is said that yoga enhances inner awareness. Yoga has numerous benefits. To mark the occasion, **International Yoga Day** was celebrated through free yoga training session under the guidance of skilled yoga trainers of the institution. It was conducted successfully in the school auditorium.

On 26th of June, St. Claret School, Borjhar welcomed the arrival of class XI students for the session (2022-23). Rev. Dr. Fr. Benoy Joseph, the Principal of the school greeted and welcomed the new comers by invoking the blessings of God upon them and wished them a successful journey.

Independence Day was celebrated with great pride and joy in the school premises. Activities such as rally, drawing, singing and dancing were part of the celebrations. Teachers, students and well-wishers joined in this proud moment.

International Bicycle Day was observed on 3rd June 2022 to encourage the use of bicycle for promoting health and fitness. The students of classes V – X participated in the cycle slow race competition.

The **School Exhibition Day** was organized on 29th October, 2022. In today's era education is not only confined to read and write. It provides an opportunity for the students to bring out their inner creativity and curiosity. It allows students to work together in groups and learn from each other. Shri. Gokul Mohan Hazarika Rtd. I.A.S. officer inaugurated the exhibition. The guest of honour Smt. Sujata Gogoi A.C.S., ADC of Kamrup Metro graced the occasion. Shri. Digambar Jain Asst. Comm. State Tax for G.S.T. was the special invitee. Parents, well-wishers, friends of the institution visited the exhibition venue.

Teacher's Day:

“Teachers can change lives with the right mix of chalk and challenges.” On 5th of September 2022, the school celebrated teachers with glee and gaiety. The celebration at around 9 a.m. with the school band escorting the teachers towards the school auditorium. Soon after that the day began a prayer to bless all the teachers and a lot of warm wishes from the students. The cultural show embodied a prayer dance and modern fusion ranging from Bollywood tracks, Rock n Roll performance etc. The enthralling performances had everyone tapping their toes. Lastly, Fr. Benoy, the Principal felicitated the teachers and addressed the gathering with his valuable words stating that the place of teachers is equally important as the place of students in an institution. The memorable day came to an end with a delicious lunch followed by gift distribution.

Children's Day Celebration: Children are considered as a form of God. Their innocence and good heart is all that is needed to light the mood up. To mark this occasion St. Claret School, Borjhar also organized various activities. A friendly football match between Claretine Football Club and Rising Youth Club was also held. For the girls, a kho-kho match was organized. There were a mix of various cultural performances by the teachers.

Annual Sports Meet: Sports develop a sense of friendliness among the children and develops their team spirit. Our school believes that sports is an integral part of education. The programme commenced with a prayer song invoking God's blessings. At the very outset, Rev. Dr. Fr. Benoy Joseph, the Principal welcomed the guest of honour Mr. Taposh Basumatary I.P.S., the dignitaries present on the dais, parents, staff and students of the St. Claret School, Borjhar. During the flag raising ceremony, the school captains and sports captains were the flag bearers. The sport torch – a symbol of harmony and goodwill was carried over and the sports meet was declared open.

The guest of honour conveyed the importance of extra co-curricular activities as it releases stress and develops public relationship. The vote of thanks was proposed by Fr. Lawrence C.M.F.

The Closing ceremony of the sports meet was remarkable. The students also performed in cultural extravaganza such as aerobics, fusion dance, semi-modern dance etc.

We were fortunate to have Shri Rajiv Jha, Commandant C.R.P.F., as our guest of honour and Shri. Hiraniya Saikia, Vice President, Taekwondo Federation of India as our chief guest along with other dignitaries. The guest of honour in his address congratulated the organizers and students. He said that sports are an important activity and it is education itself. It is an all-round development of body, mind and soul.

Shri. Hiraniya Saikia on the other hand, stated that opportunity should be given to trainers for nurturing athletes, provide proper training and produce good athletes in the society. Various sports events like 200m race, 400m race, relay race, football, basketball matches etc., were held throughout the week.

Two of the school teachers namely Sunita John Nath and Brenda Basumatary were felicitated by the respected principal of the institution for their 25 years of dedication and service.

Forging ahead to the main highlight of the day, prizes were then distributed among the winners of several competitions that were held. The Chief Guest gave away the overall individual championship trophy to Darshan Kalita as the best boy athlete and Prabina Mahanta as the best girl athlete. The best house was awarded to Red House amidst cheers and applauses.

The vote of thanks was proposed by the Academic Coordinator Mrs. Ranjit Kaur. The programme concluded with the National Anthem

Farewell for Class XII (2022-23):

A farewell meeting was organized by Class XI students to bid adieu to their seniors. The programme began with a welcome speech and then with a beautiful dance performance. The Principal gave a speech wishing them best of luck for their future and advised them to face the outside world positively. On this occasion an informal cultural programme was organized. The programme came to an end with the vote of thanks and a light refreshment. It was indeed a successful event due to the hard work, co-ordination and team work of the Principal, Vice-Principal and all students of Class XI.

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