### **Annual Report**

It is with boundless joy and pride that we gather to celebrate another remarkable year of our school, the 31st Annual Day, VAIKHARI 24-25. This is not just a celebration of academic achievements, but a reflection of the collective spirit, perseverance, and growth that define our school community. The journey we have taken together has been one of continuous learning, challenges, and triumphs. From the classroom to the sports field, from extracurricular activities to community outreach, we have seen our students not only excel in their academics but also grow into confident, responsible, and compassionate individuals.

Saraswathy Vidyanikethan Central School, Kodakara, established in 1994, is a prestigious institution known for its commitment to quality education. Affiliated with CBSE, Bharath, the school boasts a team of highly qualified and dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff. It is managed by Vivekananda Educational and Cultural Charitable Trust, Kodakara.

Our school is equipped with essential facilities that promote a well-rounded learning environment. These include well equipped Physics, Chemistry, and Biology labs for hands-on learning, a modern Computer Science Lab for digital skills, and a well-stocked library to inspire a love for reading and support academic growth. ATAL Tinkering Lab encourages creativity and problem-solving in technology and engineering. Our smart classrooms enhance interactive learning, while the spacious playground promotes physical fitness and teamwork. Additional amenities include a reliable school bus service, a digital fee payment system, and a boys' hostel that fosters a sense of community and cultural diversity.

### **Academic Achievements**

First and foremost, I would like to highlight our academic achievements. We began this academic year with great enthusiasm, having secured outstanding results in Grade 10 and Grade 12. For several years, we have consistently maintained a 100% pass rate in the board exams, a testament to the hard work and dedication of both our students and staff.

In Grade 12 exams, Master Adith K. Das from the Science stream secured an impressive 96%, while Miss Shivapriya K.D. from the Commerce stream achieved 92.4%. Miss Amrita Lakshmi M.M. from the Humanities stream scored 84.4%.

In Grade10, Miss Amrita Krishna K.R. emerged as the top scorer with 97.8%. We also had outstanding students who scored full marks in various subjects:

Ms. Hena A.H. and Ms. Haripriya K.S. in Malayalam, Ms. Amrutha Krishna K.R. in IT, and Ms.Aavani A.T. in Physical Education. Additionally, we had seven students from Grade 10 who secured full A1 grades.

Hearty congratulations to all the top scorers and the graduates!

## **Co-curricular Excellence**

In the BVN District Kabaddi competition held at CNN School, <u>Cherpu</u>, our Bala girls team secured the second prize. In the District Yoga Camp at Penakam, Kishore girls team won the second prize, while the Kishore boys team earned third prize.

Our students also marked notable positions in the District Chess Tournament, with Tarun boys securing first place, Tarun girls winning third place, and Kishore boys achieving second place. Individual winners included Master Aaegney T.S., Master Sharan Warrier, and Miss Shreya P.S.

In the State level Kho-Kho Championship, both the Kishore and Bala girls team earned second prize.

At the South Zone Football Championship in Chennai, Tarun boys team brought home the first prize.

We were honoured to host the BVN District-level Shastra Mela, with Sri N.P. Rajiv, Executive Director of **Vibhavani India**, gracing the occasion as the chief guest. Our school achieved an overall second prize in the shatsra mela. Miss Aadhi Lakshmi V.S. of Grade 9 won the first prize for model presentation. She also clinched the first prize for the same at the Vidyabharti South Zone Vijnana Mela, 2024 in Tirupur and participated in the national-level competition. Miss Nayana Sunil won third prize for her Science model at Shastra Mela at Vidyadhiraja Vidyapeedam, Mavelikkara.

In the All-Kerala Inter-School Champion Sports Quiz Grand 2024, held at Edappally, Miss Arya Ramachandran secured the first prize in category II.

Master Aswajith R.C. from Grade 8 was selected for the Sub-Junior District Kho-Kho team to represent the state in the upcoming competition, as chosen by the Kho-Kho Federation.

In the BVN Prabandharachana event held at Sree Rama Krishna School, Nandikara, Miss M. Nandanakrishna won first prize, and Master Achuyuth Pisharody secured second prize.

Miss Angela Arun of Grade 6 won a gold medal in the High Kick event at the 40th Thrissur District Kalaripayattu Championship. She also earned a bronze medal in the Artistic Pair Yogasana at the Kerala State Yogasana Sports

Championship. Miss Devika C.S. from Grade 9 won first prize in the Junior Girls Kerala State Roller Skating Championship.

Our students also secured remarkable achievements in the TCS District Students' Kalolsavam held at Vijayagiri Public School, Chalakudy. In the TCS Kho-Kho Tournament (Under 14), both the boys' and girls' teams secured second positions.

BVN District Kalolsavam was held at Saraswathi Vidyaniketan, Engandiyur, where 106 students from our school participated, and we proudly secured the overall third position.

Master Abhiram Girish Kumar of Grade 10 secured the first prize in Ramayana Parayanam at the SAMARPANA Ramayana Fest 2024, held at the Regional Theatre, Thrissur.

We also emerged as the champions in the Under-19 TCS Football Tournament at MAPS <u>Mechira</u>. Additionally, I am pleased to share that seven of our students participated in the Vidyabharati National level Football Tournament at Kureshetha, Haryana.

At the State-level CBSE Kalolsavam held at Ahalia Public School, Palakkad. Master Neelgreev E.S. and Miss Varsha M. Nair won prizes in Carnatic Music, Light Music, and Mono act.

In the management fest **ITIHAAS** held at Sahradaya College, our students won prizes in various events, including Marketing Games, Business Quiz, Short Film, Spot Dance, IPL Auction, and Speed Typing, demonstrating their talents beyond academics.

Students from Grades 8 to 11 took part in the regional-level **STOGO** and **Technical Fest 2024**, organized by Holy Grace Group of Institutions, Mala.

Our teachers also earned accolades at the TCS Teachers' Kalolsavam held at Crescent Public School, Chalakudy, securing prizes in both on-stage and offstage events.

Heartfelt congratulations to all the winners and participants!

# **Student Development Programs**

We firmly believe that education extends beyond academics and plays a crucial role in shaping a student's character. In addition to a wide range of activities, we regularly conduct programs such as **Sopanam** for parents, awareness sessions on various topics such as health and hygiene, fire safety, career guidance and counselling for students, along with field trips that extend learning beyond the school campus.

Our school offers several clubs where students actively engage and take on various missions. This year, we continued the mission **Together with Thrissur**, an initiative started by the former Thrissur collector, Shri Krishna Theja IAS. Through this mission, we were able to distribute food items to 10 selected families based on the contributions made by the students. This initiative encourages students to develop a sense of responsibility towards society and fosters the value of compassion.

To give students a hands-on experience with nature and learning, we organized various educational trips. Students from KG to Grade 12 participated in these trips. KG to Grade 9 students visited a water theme park, Grade 10 students travelled to Mysore and Coorg, Grade 12 students went to Bangalore and Hogenakkal, and Grade 11 students had the opportunity to visit ISRO at Sriharikota.

Open House sessions are conducted periodically to update parents on their wards' academic performance and provide an opportunity for discussion. In addition to this, we receive monthly feedback from the Samithi members during their meetings, ensuring continuous improvement and collaboration in the school's progress.

#### **Activities and celebrations**

We celebrated World environment day, Ramayanamasam, Children's day, and other significant festivals with great enthusiasm. As part of the Readers' Week celebration, a two-day book exhibition by <a href="Minerva">Minerva</a> books was organized at the school. Additionally, activities such as the science exhibition INSPIRE, the school arts fest SARANG, investiture ceremony and International Yoga Day were held with great flair.

On August 15th Independence Day, Aravind Jayanthi, Agandabharata Dinam and Raksha bandhan were conducted in a very auspicious way. Shri Sajeevan Paraparambil, MD of JANAM TV and State Secretary of Sevabharathi, was the chief guest.

Gurupooja was celebrated grandly in our school with Dr. Radhakrishnan and Smt. Shanti Unnikrishnan as the distinguished guests. On this occasion students sought blessings from the teachers by offering flowers at their feet. **Saraswatheeyam** Grama Samithi Gurupooja was also held across 8 different centres.

Onam was celebrated with members of the Trust, Mathru Samithi and Kshema Samithi members, Teaching and non-teaching staff, and all the students.

Mathrupooja was conducted at six centres on behalf of 40 Grama Samithis, with active participation from parents, teachers, students, and well-wishers.

To experience a day without the burden of heavy backpacks, students from KG to Grade 2 participated in Bagless Day, engaging in a variety of fun and interactive activities. We have also planned to organize **SAHVASASHIBIRAM**, an exclusive event for kindergarten students.

## **Recognition and Acknowledgement**

This year, our school was proud to receive the **MLA Award** for Best School in recognition of our academic excellence.

Additionally, during our school arts fest we had the privilege of honouring our alumna, Ms. Sreeshma Chandran, who won the State Award for Best Actress in Character Role.

We are grateful to **Aksharam Mission**, a non-profit organization from Arizona, USA, for their generous support in providing scholarships to talented students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Their commitment to empowering students through education has made a significant impact. Special thanks to Smt. Jayasree R. Menon, Vice-President of our Vidyalaya Samithi, for her coordination and efforts in making this collaboration possible.

## **Faculty and Staff Development**

Before the commencement of the new academic year, our teachers had the privilege of being updated and enriched through experiential learning at a four-day residential camp, **DISHARI**, hosted at our school and organized by the Trust. Dishari was a resounding success, with the teachers from schools under the trust taking part in it.

Throughout the year, regular capacity-building programs, workshops organized by BVN, CBSE, and the trust, along with in-house training sessions for teachers, are conducted to ensure continuous professional development.

The active participation of the teachers in each of these programs reflects the dedication and commitment of our staff to ongoing learning and growth.