## CHURCH PARK ANGLO-INDIAN TEACHER TRAINING INSTITUTE, CHENNAI 600 006

## Activity Report – April 2023 to March 2024

"Strong values of hard work, spiritual faith and service will take you a long way". I begin this Activity Report for the year 2024, reinforcing my belief in this very practical comment of Zig Ziglar, renowned author and public speaker. The Church Park Anglo-Indian Teacher Training Institute, Chennai, is into its 112th year and I am happy to present a short review of the life and work done here in the academic year just gone by. "Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities seize common occasions and make them great", is our mantra at Church Park.



Sr.Christy conducted a session on art therapy to show how art can be used in healing and relaxing our body and mind and the significance of Mandela art.



The senior class celebrated their valedictory with Rev. Sr. Fatima Rodrigo, Province Leader,

Presentation Sisters, South India Province, as their Chief Guest. The

motto for the year was, "Resilience Triumphs". The Senior Students staged the play, "Sister Act 2 – Back in the Habit". The programme concluded with a sumptuous supper.

Practical Examination for the First and Second year Teacher Trainees was conducted. Mrs. Shanti, Mrs. Jagadeeswari and Mrs. Saranya from Thirur, DIET were the panel members. The teacher trainees displayed all their year's hard

work. Their teaching skills and classroom management along with their content knowledge was put to test with the panel members asking questions during their demo classes. As always our teacher trainees gave their best. The panel members appreciated the efforts and hard work of our students and staff members.



Our new Dining hall was inaugurated with a prayer by Rev. Fr. Sabastian Antony. Many sisters from the convent joined together to bless and pray for our newly built dining room.

The second year and first year teacher trainees started their Board examination in NKT Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane.

We had a discussion regarding TET crash course with Rev. Sr. Gracy, Rev. Fr. Sebastian and Mr. Maran from J D Academy. Mr. Maran enlightened the sisters and the

staff members regarding TET coaching for our trainees and all the other students and newly appointed teachers who didn't clear the Teacher Eligibility Test.

17<sup>th</sup> July 2024 our Institute re-opened for the first and second year teacher trainees.

Two lecturers from DIET enlightened the students about the project, "Ennum Ezhuthum", that need to be carried out in the following months.



Seminar was organized by Rev. Fr. Leo to motivate the students for the new academic year.



Orientation programme was conducted for the first year students to understand the scope of this course.



We celebrated our Independence Day in the sports field of Church Park remember our great freedom fighters on this special day. It was organized as an inter-school cultural programme. trainees presented a musical skit which brought out the sacrifice of our Indian Soldiers. It was a real tribute to our brave Indian Soldiers.

Spoken English coaching was given to the students related to Google AI, Chat GPT, British Pod cast.



The Investiture Ceremony of our Institute is the most important event in every academic year. Our Local Leader, Rev. Sr. Leela was our chief guest The theme of our

assembly was, "Be a Light House – Persistent, Piercing and Pertinent.



The students and teachers went on an field trip to Vandalur Zoo.



One more tree was planted to add beauty and greenery to our Teacher Training Institute.

The students gave a great surprise for all the teachers on teacher's day and made the day a memorable one. Students presented a lot of cultural programme and it was a visual treat for all the teachers

Enumeration programme on "Ennum Ezhuthum", was conducted by the DIET faculty.

Seminar on Child Safeguarding was conducted to the teacher trainees and the staff to enlighten them about the various procedures involved in protecting children and vulnerable adults.

Parents Teachers Meeting was organized to discuss about the progress and the steps to be taken for the students' better performance in their academics.

First year and Second year trainees started their Classroom Observation.



A seminar on Road Safety Patrol was conducted by traffic police officers in our locality. The students learnt the significance of Road safety and how it had to be followed in our day-to-day life. He shared with us the importance of following the road safety rules diligently. He further stressed that the road safety rules in the

Indian laws are for the safety of the individuals to take care of themselves with prudence.



The first and second year teacher trainee started their Teaching Practice.

The feast day of the Presentation of our Lady was celebrated in our Institution to appreciate the service done by the Presentation Sisters all over the world. Our second year students presented an assembly on the theme, "Empowering lives through the light of Nano". The assembly highlighted the sacrifice and



dedication of our founder Venerable Nano Nagle had for the poor and the needy.



Guides programme was organized for the new batch of students. The guides' camp helped trigger the energy of all the students by guides song, symbols, tent making, poster making, etc. Our trainees presented a cultural programme on the final day.

The first year students brought out the message of Christmas with their meaningful play, "Hope".



enacted the play with beauty and vibrancy. Mrs. Louisa Shobana J, took over as the Principal in-charge of the Teacher Training Institute since Sr. Meena T, was on sabbatical for a year. Sr. Meena, joined duty after completing her sabbatical on  $2^{nd}$  January 2024.

clearly visible when the students

Our institute reopened after Christmas holidays. The students of the senior groups wished and prayed for the success of the coming year 2024.

Srs. Fatima, Leela and Sheila came to the Institute to express their gratitude to the acting principal and the staff for keeping the flame of Nano alive in the absence of Sr. Meena.

We had the Pongal celebration on 12<sup>th</sup> January focusing on the hard work of the farmers to cultivate food for the society with dedication and sacrifice. The students left for their Pongal holidays and returned on 15<sup>th</sup> January.



The students went for their second spell of teaching practice on  $22^{nd}$  January followed by Project Work which began on  $10^{th}$  February. It finished on  $19^{th}$  February.



23<sup>rd</sup> February, Fr. Parthasarathy and the staff from AICUF, came to our Institute to give awareness on the preamble of our Indian constitution.

The First and the Second year students started their First Revision Exam on the 26<sup>th</sup> February.

March 8<sup>th</sup> was celebrated as women's day. The students prepared an assembly. Drawing, Hair Dressing, Debate, Singing and Rangoli competitions were conducted for the students. Strong women don't have attitudes, they have standards.









Workers are creators and great asset to every nation. In recognition of the hard work and dedication of the support staff, St. Joseph's feast day was celebrated as workers day. The teacher trainees appreciated all the efforts put in by them through a meaningful assembly. At the end of the day the trainees conducted a few games to bring in the spirit of togetherness.



22nd of March 2024, Dr. (Mrs.) Shameem, Principal, District Institute of Education and Training, had visited our Institute and motivated our students to do well in the forthcoming exams. She assured us of her guidance and moral support to the institute.



The trainees went for their Easter holidays on 28<sup>th</sup> March and came back to the Institute on 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

Before I bring this report to a close, I would like to thank God Almighty for the unceasing blessings He has showered on us all through the year.

"Every great thing starts with a thought and is powered into realization by a belief" – Let us go forth into the New Term empowered by this vision.