

# The oxford School ,Trivandrum Annual Report 2022-23

The Oxford School aims to be the Centre of Excellence in Education. It has managed to be unique in all its endeavours by setting international standards to itself.

Board Exam Results: Our students once again proved their potential in the 10th and 12th board examinations 2021-22. HAYFA FATHIMA M of Science stream secured 94.2% and ABINA S J of Commerce stream secured 84.9% and became the school toppers. As for grade 10 board exams, Ali Jashim (97%), Halasinadh V R (92.4%) and Hamda Sudheer (91.8%) secured the top three positions.

Reopening: Diagnostic tests were conducted for English, Maths and Science immediately after the reopening day to diagnose the strength and weakness of the students after two years of covid period.

The Investiture Ceremony of the Student parliament for the academic year 2022-'23 was held on 6th August 2022 Saturday. A Student parliament was formed after the democratic election conducted on 27th july 2022 in order to inculcate leadership qualities in students and to give them a feel of functioning of an administrative body. The chief guest for the event was Colonel RG.Nair, Rtd.Indian Army Officer. He appreciated the efforts taken by the school for providing opportunities to the students . Principal Dr.Abdul Salam along with the chief guest presented the badges to the newly elected leaders, Devanjana Sakyanga Mahadev of 12D(President), Azmeel Sajeer of 12C(Prime Minister) and followed by other leaders. Overall 49 representatives were also installed in the parliament.

## Co scholastic programmes

In connection with World Environment day, the Eco Club of our school conducted many activities in the school. The school observed World Environment Day on June 3rd with great zeal. Saplings were planted. Many events were conducted based on the theme 'Only one Earth'.

'Reading is important because it makes you more empathetic, knowledgeable and stimulates your imagination. On 14th of June the Oxford School Trivandrum inaugurated

the reading week. Chief guest of the day was Mrs. Jaya Lekshmi who is a writer, poetess and an award winner.

Yoga plays a significant role in psycho-social care. International Yoga day was observed by the teachers and students of our school on 21 st June 2022. A special assembly was conducted for the students of 8 to 12 based on the topic 'Yoga for Humanity'. Yoga trainer Ms.Sreelekshmi gave awareness about yoga and she gave a live demonstration of yoga with the participation of all the students.

Upholding the importance of clubs in the school, a special inauguration program was conducted on 23rd July 2022, proclaiming the inauguration of various clubs by Akhila Anand, famous playback singer in the Malayalam Film industry, stage performer & Television artist.

The Arts Fest of our school "SARGASANGAMAM" was conducted on 29 September 2022. Around 200 students participated in about 70 events from four categories. The Chief Guest for the function was the renowned actress, Ms.Aishwarya Ramsai.

Our students participated in "YUVA THARANG" the Zonal Arts Fest of CBSE Bharat Sahodaya 2022. The fest which commenced on November 8, witnessed healthy competitions during the three days. Around 85 students from the school in four categories participated in various events in which 39 Students secured prizes in various events including Thiruvathira, Mime, Monoact, Group dance, Anchoring etc.

A total of 42 students of The Oxford School Trivandrum participated in "CBSE STATE KALOTSAV 2022" this year. 12 of them secured A grade and 19 of them secured B Grade.

The Oxford School ,Trivandrum celebrated "Onam 2022" on 2nd September 2022 in the School premises. The main attractions of the programme were the persona of "Vamana" and "Mahabali , Thiruvathira, Pulikkali, Onappattu etc.

## Parent partnership programmes

The Oxford School conducted a session on nutrition for the students from Grades 3-7 on 18 th July ,2022. The session was a Parent Partnership Program and was conducted by our parent Dr.Suhana S. Mrs. Suhana emphasized the importance of 'Right plate ' strategy and she gave a clear presentation on the rise of urbanization and changing lifestyles, as well as the impact of ongoing post COVID-19 pandemic .

## Parent empowerment programme

Parent empowerment programmes of all grades were organized in the beginning of this academic year. One session for parents was arranged on Helicopter parenting by Dr Sunil Raj. Inorder to transform stress to positive energy, one stress buster session was arranged for parents in association with Red colour day. The session was handled by Mr. Shyam , Trainer of Theatre Arts.

Independence Day: The 75 th Independence Day of the school was celebrated with great pomp and show by the students. The function was held in the school grounds at 9 o'clock with the flag hoisting by Dr. Abdul Salam, The Principal, followed by the march past of different houses of the school and balloon launch by the dignitaries. The show was made more colorful by a flash mob and a map formation to bring out the unity and integrity of the nation. Various cultural programmes and certificate distribution for the quiz competition related to the Indian independence day held by the Heritage club of the school.

The role of career counseling becomes indispensable now. The Oxford School Trivandrum organized a career counseling session to help the students of Grades 9 to 12. The programme was held for all the students to understand the various career options. Mr. Aji George , a well renowned trainer and career counsellor from the Minority Dept. Govt. of Kerala was the resource person of "career means a successful future".

The Oxford School Trivandrum organized an Inter School painting competition "SPLASH OF COLOURS" for the Little Champs on Saturday, 29 th October 2022. The competition was conducted for kids of age group 4 to 6 years in which around 20 students from various schools in the city participated. One of the main attractions of the function of prize distribution was the assembly conducted by our KG students.

**Teacher empowerment programmes: Training** is an integral part of life. It fosters the growth of a person. It assures the overall improved performance of an individual. The Oxford School organized many Quality enhancement programmes for teachers.

In the Academic year 2022-23, induction programmes for teachers started on May 15th ,2022 followed by other training programmes in the month of May. The school Principal Dr.Abdul Salam, who is a Resource person of CBSE conducted a training session for teachers in Classroom Management. Maths teachers from The Oxford School, Trivandrum got an opportunity to attend Mangahigh training on 11-11-22.

A CBSE training programme was conducted in November as a part of the HUB activity. Teachers of Fathima Public school , Carmel School & Holy Family school joined with our school for the training.

A community extension session was provided to the students of our school by 15 Students of Govt.women's College Trivandrum, on 1st July 2022.

Field Trip gives young people the chance to experience cultures, respect differences, and develop new friendships with their peers and thus broaden their horizons and knowledge. Tours are strong ways to consolidate learning. The experience from a trip can be directly related to the real world.

Grades 3, 4 and 5 Oxfordians along with their teachers had their industrial visit cum study trip to Milma dairy and Planetarium on 15 October 2022 .The prime objective of the trip was to have hands-on experience on the functioning of Milma Plant and to know more about our solar system . Students themselves saw the pasteurization and packaging of milk . On 29th October 2022 , 46 boys of Grades 6,7 & 8 along with 3 teaching staff went for a field trip to Kochi Wonderla from the school. 45 girls visited Wagamon as part of their field trip. On 11th November 2022 , 45 boys from Grades 9-12 along with 4 teaching staff went for a field trip to Coorg , Chikmagalur and Bangalore Wonderla from the school. The trip for girls from 9 to 12 was conducted from 11 th to 14th November 2022. Thematic Trips were conducted for Kindergarten students. First thematic trip was to Kuzhipallam Botanical Garden and the second trip was to the Zoo. All the trips were organized by the tourism club under the guidance of Principal Dr.Abdul Salam .

THE OXFORD SCHOOL TRIVANDRUM gives utmost importance to Physical fitness. It organized many competitions and activities for the physical fitness of students led by our Physical education Department headed by the sports Director.

\*The school Annual sports day was conducted on 18th of November 2022 at University stadium, Trivandrum for Students of grade 5 to 12. Chief guest of the Annual Day was Mr.Asif Ali (International Powerlifting Champion). Opening ceremony started with March past followed by flag hoisting, lightning The torch, oath taking, aerobics and tabloid.

Kids' sport events were conducted on 25 November 2022, with different sport events, Running race, Shuttle run, Standing Broad jump, Ball throw, lemon and spoon etc. Conducted Grade 1&2 sports day on 28 November 2022 & Grades 3&4 on 17 November 2022.

Inter House competitions were conducted in categories for football for junior and senior boys, Kho - Kho for Girls, Basketball for Boys and Girls and Badminton for both boys and girls.

\*Amana khadeeja from Grade 3B is Participated CBSE South Zone skating competition.

CBSE South zone football tournament was held on 07.12.2022 at Crescent public school, Aluva, Ernakulam. 15 students participated in it from grade 9 to 12.

\*Bharat Sahodaya athletic meet held on 3 December 2022 at Sreepadam stadium, Attingal. 35 students participated in different categories from grade 6 to 12. The school received 1 Gold medal, 3 silver medals and 7 bronze medals. Bharat Sahodaya football tournament was held on 16.12.2022 at Paradise Public school, Varkala. 12 students participated from grade 9 to 12.

\*Chinmaya Football tournament was held on August 26 2022 at Central Stadium, Trivandrum.10 Students participated in it from grade 9 to 12.

\*The Oxford school conducted the CBSE South zone Badminton tournament from 06.12.2022 to 09.12.2022. Chief guest was Mr.Rakhesh Sekhar (secretary, Kerala Badminton Shuttle Association). Around 500 students from across South Zone of India participated in the event for U-14, U-17 AND U-19 categories. 10 students participated from our school. The Principal of The Oxford School Trivandrum Dr M Abdul Salam motivated the players through his speech. The Trophies and certificates were distributed to the winners by The Principal and the Chief Guest.

Learning should be a pleasant experience and the little stars of The Oxford School, Trivandrum learn through fun. Their readiness to ideate, create and display is commendable, thanks to the combined efforts of the teachers and the parents in the learning process. Learning by doing enhances their skills required for being competent in their lives. Assemblies are a platform for students to share their knowledge and express themselves. **Grade 1 & 2 and kindergarten** assembly programmes were conducted on all Fridays. The Oxford School propagates the philosophy of 'Learning by Doing'. The Pre primary section celebrates it as special days according to their given themes. The themes included are colours, fruits, vegetable etc. For Grade 1 & 2 CCA activities were conducted. book wrapping, calligraphy / handwriting (eng/mal/hin, clay modelling, collage, digital painting, elocution (Eng, Hin, Mal) extempore(Eng) digital painting etc were few cca activities conducted for grade 1&2. Plethora of events like clay modelling, fingerprinting, picture talk, memory test, fancy dress, folk dance, drawing, story telling etc conducted for KG.

Various vibrant activities were conducted in kindergarten as a part of promoting holistic development. Learning these colours allows them to recognise significant visual hues such as red as a code for danger and the meaning behind traffic lights. To teach an abstract concept like colour, various hands-on activities were conducted, Rainbow day ,red day, yellowday , green day , purple day ,black and white day , blue day were celebrated with various developmentally appropriate activities in order to expose the children to the wonders of the universe. Our school celebrated Independence Day on 15 August 2021 with

great joy and pomp. On that day a sense of happiness and pride could be clearly seen on the faces of all the children. Children performed dance forms of different states.

To encourage the bonding of friendship among students, **Friendshipday** was celebrated. Students exchanged roses.

With an objective to create and educate children about the importance of including fruits and vegetables in daily diet, Fruit days like—Orange day, pineapple day,grape day, tomato day,beetroot day and fruit salad day were celebrated. The teachers explained the importance of fruit intake in diet for mental and physical growth in a novel way. As a part of learning children were engaged in so many activities like coloring fruit templates, craft activity with grapes, fruits carving,pasting fruit on the tree, fruit print and fruit photo frames etc. Parents extended their full fledged support by sending fresh fruits.

The festival of lights came alive at The Oxford School on 21st October 2022. "Character Day" for Kindergarten students was on 30 th November 2022. It was a fun-filled day as students dressed up as their favourite character and described their costume. The children's day programme had a series of interesting and exciting events, all planned meticulously for complete entertainment.

The effects of childhood participation in sports go far beyond the physical, and can impact a child mentally, emotionally and socially. Hence to kindle the spirit of sportsmanship among the budding stars of The Oxford school Trivandrum, various sports events were ventured on 25th November for Kindergarten and 28th for grade 1 & 2. The children participated in the sports events ,with a great zeal and excitement "Every child is a different kind of flower and all together makes this world a beautiful garden"

**Potato day** was celebrated by the kindergarten section on 6 th January, 2023 with great enthusiasm. The kids were actively involved in different activities like potato block printing, sand activity, printing sea creatures with potatoes. Ethnic Food Day was celebrated at The Oxford school, Trivandrum on 20 th January 2023 with an objective to help children appreciate diversity. They enjoyed an eclectic feast featuring cuisine from different countries or geographical regions Celebrated ethnic food day. Seasonal celebrations in a kindergarten environment provide a fun and interactive way for children to learn about various cultural and traditional events. In order to venerate Grand Parents of our students,

The Oxford School Trivandrum,celebrated **Grand Parents 'Day** on 25/02/2023. It was a day out for grandparents and their grandchildren to sit together and enjoy. Our itinerary for the day included a visit to the Veli park, where they enjoyed a train ride and the stunning sunset, exploring the gardens and parks.

Mother Language Day was to celebrate the diversity of languages and cultures around the world. This day is typically celebrated on February 21st each year. Kids were given the opportunity to promote multilingualism, and to teach students about the importance of preserving and valuing different languages and cultures.

The kindergarten went on a field trip to the local fire station and police station on 10th February, 2023. The students were greeted by the firefighters at the fire station, who welcomed them with open arms and showed them around the facilities. The students were able to see the fire trucks and learn about the various tools and equipment that the firefighters use to put out fires. They also got to try on some of the protective gear that firefighters wear, which was a big hit with the students.

## KIDS' FEST - SARGACHEPPU - 2023

CBSE Bharat Sahodaya Zonal Inter – school Kids'Fest, Sargacheppu -2023 was held at The Oxford School, Trivandrum . A total of 350 students from the various schools in the city participated in about 28 events. The Oxford school Trivandrum won the first position .The winners were awarded with trophies and certificates by the dignitaries from Bharat Sahodaya.Participants were applauded and appreciated by chief guest Adv. Shailaja Begum, Panchayat president and Guest of Honour Mr. B P. Murali, Kerala University. Prinicpal of The Oxford School Dr. Abdul Slam congratulated the winners and motivated the participants.

**Kindergarten Graduation** ceremony was held on 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. The event was a memorable and joyous occasion, as proud parents, family members, and teachers gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the young graduates. The ceremony began with a procession of the graduates, dressed in their graduation gowns and caps, marching to the tune of music. The ceremony was presided over by the school principal, who welcomed the guests and congratulated the graduates on their achievements. The event featured various performances by the students, including songs, dances, and speech. Each graduate was presented with a diploma as a token of appreciation for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. The ceremony ended with the graduates singing their school anthem, followed by a group photograph with their teachers and families.

#### Community programmes

A special assembly was conducted on 27th june 2022, observing the importance of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking .Mr Shaji, Assistant Commissioner Of Police Fort police Station Trivandrum was the guest of the day.The Oxford School Trivandrum organised a 'Unity Run' event by the Health & Wellness club and

Physical education Department on 31st of October 2022 to commemorates the birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel, popularly known as the Iron Man of India. Students took the Unity day pledge. They actively participated in the unity run around the school grounds.

The school had initiated **an awareness session** that was accompanied by a project done by Suleiman, a student from class 12-C in honor of the WORLD MENTAL MONTH on 20th October 2022. The session is taken by School Counsellor Ms Anitha Gomas. An awareness session regarding **Good touch & Bad touch** held on 21st of October 2022 by one of our parents Ms. Yasmin at The Oxford School Auditorium. Grades 3-5 girls attended the session.

We formed Yuva Tourism Club in our school under the leadership of Mr.Hamarudeen & Ms.Shahana.The club was inaugurated on 28/07/2022 and 160 students participated in the activities.The activities were **Field Trip to Kotur Tribal Area**, Travelogue on field trip, Industrial visit to Milma plant, Food fest on traditional food, Annual tour to various places. And also we celebrated world and national tourism days as part of Yuva tourism club.

The Oxford School Trivandrum organized its Annual **arts and science exhibition OXPO** on the theme "Sustainability for a Better Future" following the UN SDGs. It's the first time the school is conducting their exhibition on 'SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS. In this exhibition more than 600 exhibits were displayed by 500 students . Mr. Sheeju Chandran, Group Head, Technology Development , Management Group, VSSC inaugurated the exhibition. In this exhibition, the students of the school were divided into 5 groups from KG section to XII. Students presented models and exhibits on different subjects like Science, Maths, Computer, Physical Education , Home Science , Social Studies , Hindi, English , Malayalam and Islamic Studies promoting the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of the UN.

Various Govt Departments also presented their valuable contributions. Zero Hunger, No Poverty, Good health and wellbeing, Clean water and sanitation, Affordable and clean energy, Life on land were some of the important models presented by the students. Shri. Mukund R, Joint General Manager, Unit Chief, Medical Devices factory, HLL was the Chief Guest for the Valedictory Function. Dr M Abdul Salam, The Principal exhorted students and parents to make efforts to save the planet. In his speech he lauded the efforts of students and parents and also encouraged them to come forward in the sustainable development activities for the all round development of the environment.

During the year 2020, The Oxford School Trivandrum had taken part in an organisation called TEACHSDGs, which aimed to educate children on the Sustainable Development Goals or the SDGs and allowed them to come up with different ideas, and strategies, and solutions to achieve these different goals. This has left a wild impact on the students to come up with

changes that are beneficial as well as crucial to the survival of our planet. And hence, we did not stop for one year.

July 2021, The Oxford School, Trivandrum officially instituted their very own organisation, known as SDGsOxford to leave a mark that may help our world to restore into perfect balance. The words "Make a change" and "Make this world a better place" are phrases that you often see thrown around, but rarely followed and we realised and decided to turn around. The way we aimed to achieve these goals was to select 2 among the 17 SDGs; one for senior students and one for juniors and give them weekly meetings, and updates, and activities, and to let them think and brainstorm different ways to reach a common goal. This is not only good for the entire world but also for the children who develop and inculcate their brains to constantly think about these problems, these threats, and be wary of them, even after their academic years. As a Grand Finale, there was a competition among all the 48 participating schools in SDGsOxford to see who came up with the best solutions as a fun way to end it all off. In Season 1, our school was runner up in both the Goals, 10 & 14.

SDGsOxford Season 2 once again left a mark that might help our world to restore into perfect balance. The goals selected for season 2 were Goal no 5 for students of grade 4-7 and Goal no 7 for students of grade 7-10 .For SDGs Oxford Season 2 almost 64 schools from India and abroad registered. As a grand finale, there was a competition among all the 64 participating schools in SDGsOxford . We had 9 very experienced judges to judge the solutions and works and ideas of all the schools. The things each school got to bring about were all infinitely varied, yet all of us successfully achieved the same end goal. In season 2 results, we are the runner up for Goal no 5 and winners for Goal no 7.

Grade 12 students' Farewell and Graduation ceremony was held on 17th February 2023. Grade 11 students gave a grand farewell to their seniors which is well coordinated by Grade 11 teachers.

International Benchmark Test (IBT) is a test which focuses on the competencies of students in Maths, Science, English & Reasoning. The school conducted the examination in the month of January for Grades 3 to 10.

To enhance student learning, the school introduced two learning programmes using technology this year. We channelised the students' interest in Gadgets to studies. One programme is for mathematics, Mangahigh and the second one for English, A - Z.

When I conclude,I express our gratitude towards our parents for their endless support & cooperation. We expect the bonding to be strengthened more in the coming years.