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## From the Principal's Desk . . .

Dear Student-teachers of the past and the present, professors, friends and well wishers greetings to you all.

Teachers assume a significant role, next to parents in formation of the character of the students. Today's student community has become so fragile and delicate that they have to be handled with affection and courtesy. Affirming the views of students in the decision making process has become essential before the teacher could arrive at a plan on his own. An ideal teacher would be impartial, open, not influenced by any external factor and at all times courteous. Thus the teacher has to become a companion in his attitude than being a supra-personality in his knowledge.

Accompanying the students in the process of acquisition of knowledge, the teacher will have to bear in mind the individual differences particularly in their ability of grasping and communicating the contents. It should be a gradual process of upgrading his status than forcing the matter into his mind at once. At the time of challenges in their thinking or behavioural process, it is the teacher's duty to step in and redeem him with affection and attention. Also the strategies of effective teaching – learning including use of ICT should be thought about by the teacher. It could be in short said that the relationship between teacher and student should be like a fish and water but not like a fish and fisherman.

T. A. Barron (1998) states, "There is nothing more heroic than the teacher who helps a young person discover those vast reserves inside himself or herself, who gives him hope when all seems hopeless, who shows her dreams in the midst of nightmares, and

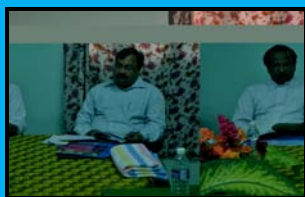
teaches us all to face fear with strong determination". Recognizing the importance that a teacher can hold in a student's life and in the society, our college has empowered the team of faculty and students with its unambiguous vision and mission. Along with vision that shows the way, the team of committed staff and generous management has paid more attention for the execution of new plans and innovations taking us to excellence and staying focused in our mission. Here I am really very happy to showcase different activities of the academic year, 2014-15 with a hope that we would climb further heights in the future.

## I. CURRICULAR ASPECTS

### Meetings

To review and enhance the quality of the curriculum and to ensure quality of curricular activities of the college, the following meetings were conducted during the academic year 2014-2015.

Sl. No.	Name of the Committee	Date
1.	Admission Committee Meeting	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2014
2.	Board of Studies Meeting	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2014
3.	Library Committee Meeting	12 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
4.	Anti-Ragging Committee Meeting	13 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
5.	Academic Council Meeting	14 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
6.	IQAC Meeting	19 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
7.	Finance Committee Meeting	21 <sup>st</sup> August 2014
8.	Governing Body Meeting	30 <sup>th</sup> August 2014
9.	Prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women Cell Meeting	06 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
10.	Website Committee Meeting	08 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
11.	Extension Service Committee Meeting	09 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
12.	Caste-Discrimination Monitoring Committee Meeting	10 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
13.	Public Relation Committee Meeting	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
14.	Career Guidance and Placement Cell Meeting	12 <sup>th</sup> December 2014



### Inauguration of the Academic Year 2014-2015

The inauguration of the academic year 2014-2015 for B.Ed. was held on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 and for M.Ed. and M.Phil. programme on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2014.



## II. TEACHING - LEARNING AND EVALUATION

The curriculum is implemented and experienced through the teaching-learning and evaluation process.

### Entry Behaviour Test

The Teaching and Research Aptitude tests were conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2014, for B.Ed. and M.Ed. students to know their aptitude in their respective domain. The impact of B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses on the aptitude of the respective students will be assessed through Exit Behaviour tests.

### Lesson plan writing exercises

This year in a special way Lesson Plan Writing Practice was given with utmost care from 26<sup>th</sup> August to 03<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 and this enabled our students to write their lesson plan in a skilled way.

### Micro, Demo, Peer, Preliminary and Intensive Teaching

Early field experiences were provided to our students in teaching, to examine their own teaching skills by way of Micro, Demo, Peer, Preliminary and Intensive teaching practice where the student teachers can observe senior teachers and student teachers, interact with them and can learn about themselves as professional teachers.

Micro Teaching Demonstration and Practice was given to our students from 04<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and the same skills were practiced by the students in small groups under the supervision of our staff members. Macro Teaching Demo was given on 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> September 2014 by the optional subject teachers

in order to prepare the prospective teachers to prepare themselves for the Preliminary teaching practice at St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School.

Prior to the preliminary teaching practice, Peer Teaching Practice for Optional – I and II were given on 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014 with proper planning. After Peer Teaching our students were sent to our model school (St. Xavier's Hr. Sec. School, Palayamkottai) for preliminary teaching practice to stage themselves as teachers and to practice the learnt teaching skills. Later the B.Ed. students were sent for intensive teaching practice from 28<sup>th</sup> October 2014 to 06<sup>th</sup> December 2014, to various schools in and around Tirunelveli.

#### **Meet with Senior Teachers**

In the meeting with senior teachers of St. Xavier's Hr. Sec. School, the senior teachers were introduced to our students and they shared their experiences. This was organised in view of familiarising the trainee teachers with the expectations of the senior teachers.



#### **CIA and First Semester Examination**

The Internal Tests and First Semester Examination were conducted in the following dates

Examination	Course	Date
<b>I Internal Examination</b>	B.Ed.	01 <sup>st</sup> , 07 <sup>th</sup> & 08 <sup>th</sup> November 2014
	M.Ed.	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2014
	M.Phil.	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2014
<b>II Internal Examination</b>	B.Ed.	29 <sup>th</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2014
	M.Ed.	29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
	M.Phil.	27 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2014
<b>I Semester Examination</b>	B.Ed.	06 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2015
	M.Ed.	
	M.Phil.	

### **III. STAFF ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME**

Opportunities for active learning, content knowledge, and the overall coherence of staff development are the top three characteristics of professional development. The management is interested to organize programmes for the staff members to help them in their professional development. The following are some important programmes organized by the management:

#### **Seminar on ALM / ABL**

On 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2014, the seminar on ALM (Active Learning Methodology) was organized in our college for both the students and staff members to have an overview about ALM and its implementation at secondary level. The Block Resource Teacher Educators were the resource persons who enlightened the staff and students on the techniques of Active Learning Method of teaching as well as the lesson plan structure of the same.



#### **Workshop on E-content Development**

Our college likes to begin to sketch out what a critical digital literacy might look like. So in order to prepare our professors to play an active and critical part in the digital future our college conducted a Workshop on 'E-content Development' – second Phase from 05<sup>th</sup> to 07<sup>th</sup> November 2014.



### **IV. RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY**

One of the pillars of a higher education institution is research activities. Our college is focusing on the educational research on various themes. The following are the activities of the research centre during this academic year 2014-2015.

### **Ph.D. Viva Voce Examinations**

The following are the list of Ph.D. Scholars Awarded through Fr. Bonhoure Centre for Research in the academic year 2014-2015.

Sl. No.	Name	Title	Guide	Date
1.	P. Jebaselvi Arputha Seeli	Awareness of Sustainable development of Environment in Relation to Social and Technological Attitude among College Students.	Dr. G. Porgio	15.10.2014

### **Pre-Ph.D. Presentations**

The following are the list of Ph.D. Scholars who presented their work as Pre-Ph.D. viva through the Centre for Research in the academic year 2014-2015.

Sl. No.	Name	Title	Guide	Date
1.	R. Reji	The Effect of Problem Solving Skills and Personality Development on Teaching Ability of B.Ed. Trainees	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	10.10.2014
2.	Y. Jeba	Problem Solving Skills and Presentation Skills of Secondary Teacher Education Students	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	10.10.2014
3.	R.J. Beena Florence Donark	Emotional Intelligence and Stress on Academic Achievement of High School students	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	10.10.2014
4.	S. Jesu Christopher	Teaching Competency of Higher Secondary Teachers in Relation to their Thinking Styles and Soft Skills	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	10.10.2014
5.	M. Balasaraswathi	Academic Achievement of Primary School Teacher Trainees in Relation to their Thinking Styles and Soft Skills	Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J.	12.11.2014
6.	A. Mary Manjula Rose	Academic Achievement of Primary School Teacher Trainees in Relation to their Emotional Intelligence and Goal Setting	Dr. G. Porgio	19.01.2015
7.	S.T. Sajith Lal Raj	Academic Achievement of B.Ed. Trainees in Relation to their Self-Acceptance and Achievement Motivation	Dr. G. Porgio	19.01.2015

### **Pre-Ph.D. Examinations**

According to the University regulations the following candidates wrote their Pre-Ph.D. Examinations in the following dates.

**Scholar:** V. Jani

**Guide:** Rev. Dr. I. Jesudoss, S.J.

Sl. No.	Title of the Papers	Date
1.	Paper II: Advanced Paper Study Involvement and Institutional Climate	16.10.2014
2.	Paper III: Background Paper Higher Secondary Education	17.10.2014



**Scholar:** I. Joyal Roopavathi

**Guide:** Rev. Dr. I. Jesudoss, S.J.

Sl. No.	Title of the Papers	Date
1.	Paper II: Advanced Paper Thinking skills, Social Intelligence and Communicative Behaviour	16.10.2014
2.	Paper III: Background Paper Teacher Education	17.10.2014

**Scholar:** J. Ceema Nair

**Guide:** Rev. Dr. I. Jesudoss, S.J.

S. No.	Title of the paper	Date
1.	Paper II: Advanced Paper Home Environment and Inter Personal Intelligence	16.10.2014
2.	Paper III: Background Paper Secondary Education	17.10.2014

### ***Two Day Seminar on Research Methodology***

A two-day seminar on 'Research Methodology' was organized for M.Ed. students using the expertise of our staff from 15<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014. It energized them to finalize their dissertation topics on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

### ***Research Colloquium***

The Research Colloquium was conducted on 03<sup>rd</sup> January 2015. Twenty Six scholars attended the colloquium and presented their progress. It helped the scholars to check their progress, to get clarification and to walk through smoothly in their research work.

### ***NET coaching classes***

NET coaching classes were held in two phases, first on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> for Library Science and the second for Education on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2014 in our College. Candidates from different institutions participated in the two-day NET coaching classes and benefitted.



### ***M.Ed. & M.Phil. Submission of Chapters***

The M.Ed. students are at regular intervals guided and directed by the staff members. Dates have been fixed for the submission of their chapters. Thus, a regular work is assured.

## **V. STUDENTS' SUPPORT AND PROGRESSION**

The students are the real spirit of any educational system and focus must be on their welfare and progress.

### ***Intensive English Coaching Camp***

Our college organized a 21-day Intensive English Training Programme for the B.Ed. students for the academic year 2014-2015. It was formally inaugurated on 01<sup>st</sup> August 2014. After the inaugural function, Diagnostic test was conducted to evaluate the knowledge of the English language of the students and based on their performance they were divided into two sections for classes and seven groups for various group activities. The students were taught English grammar and training in Spoken English. On 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014, the final test was conducted and students were awarded with certificates.



### ***Orientation for B.Ed. Students***

A two-day orientation-cum-personality development programme was planned out and meticulously implemented by a band of staff members of our college on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014 with the objective of actualizing the varying entrants from different terrains to the new way of living for learning and to have a smooth sail in the B.Ed. programme.

### ***Tongue Twister Programme***

From 25<sup>th</sup> August 2014 onwards, the Tongue twister practice was given for one month from 06.30 a.m. to 07.30 a.m. This enhanced their skill of speaking fluently and articulating the different types of phonemes with proper suppling of the tongue.



### ***Inauguration of Student's Council***

Students' union is run by students and it is officially recognized by our college. The purpose of this council is to recreate the leadership potentials among the students by involving them as a group in the college activities. It is also responsible for providing a variety of services to students. The Students' Council was inaugurated on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014 by Dr. C. Eugin Franco, Head, PG & Research Department of Commerce, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. The elected office bearers were Br. Clarans, the Chairman, Mr. F. Raja, Vice Chairman, Mr. Sahaya

### ***Programmes/Events***

Sl. No.	Programme/Event	Date	Time	Resource Person
1.	Awareness Programme on Voters' Enrolment	23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2014	3.30 p.m.	Dr. S.V.L. Michael, Head, Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.
2.	Blood Identification Camp	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	3.00 p.m.	Dr. P. Ayyanar, Governing Council Member, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai & Mr. K.M. Jesu Desan, Convener, Judge Joseph Clinical Lab, Palayamkottai.
3.	Thanks Giving Mass	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	11.30 a.m.	St. Xavier's College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.



### ***Seminars***

Sl. No.	Seminar	Sponsored by	Date
1.	Inclusive Education	UGC	26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2014

Ruben, the Secretary, Mrs. Sulochana, the Joint Secretary, and 10 other members as class representatives. Dr. A. Punitha Mary, the Vice Principal is the advisor for the council. The Students' Council members swore the oath in the presence of the eminent persons and the gathering.

### ***Inauguration of Library Building Construction***

A library is an organized collection of sources of information, made accessible to a defined community for reference or borrowing. Our college wants to provide physical, digital, virtual access to men and material, and so we need more physical building or space, or both. In view of this, foundation stone was laid for the new building for our college library on 07<sup>th</sup> November 2014.



### ***Students' Enrichment Activities***

The following are the students' enrichment programmes conducted by our college on various occasions for the welfare of the students.

2.	Human Rights	UGC	Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup> to 01 <sup>st</sup> November 2014
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### Celebrations

Sl. No.	Name of the Celebration	Date	Time	Chief Guest/Venue
1.	Teachers' Day	15 <sup>th</sup> September 2014	06.00 p.m.	Dr. V. Thomodharan, Principal, V.O.C. College of Education, Thoothukudi.
2.	Christmas Day	20 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	02.00 p.m.	St. Anne's Home for Mentally Challenged and Aged, Palayamkottai.



### Inaugurations

Sl. No.	Name of the Event	Date	Time	Inaugurated by
1.	Subject Clubs	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	11.40 a.m.	Rev. Dr. L. John Peter Arulandam, S.J., Asst. Professor, Dept. of Botany, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.

### Library Week Celebrations

Rev. Fr. Utarid Library of our college organized a Three-Day Library Week Celebrations from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 2014. All the B.Ed., M.Ed. and M.Phil. students participated in the programme. On the first day a special talk was delivered on "Library: Our Treasure House", by Shri. J. Arumugam, Officer, Information Resource Centre, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Chennai. On the second day essay competition was conducted on "Reading Habits: A Must for Teachers". New books were displayed in the library for all B.Ed., M.Ed. students to have a look at it. On the third day Dr. A. Manoharan, Professor (Rtd.), Department of Library and Information Science, Bishop Heber College (Autonomous), Trichy, delivered the guest lecture on "Traditional Library Vs Virtual Library".



### Tutor-Ward System

The tutor-ward system, an instrument of guidance and evaluation, is functioning effectively in our college. Each month, an hour is allotted for Tutor-Ward interaction where the allotted 10 students meet their respective staff and interact with them. This works as a feedback and reinforcement mechanism for the growth of the students and functioning of the college. Further, it helps the students to develop their personality with value-orientation.

### College Assembly

Every Monday, assembly is conducted by the optional groups on some interesting themes with the guest speaker from our staff members. This helps our students develop their skill of organizing, co-operation and leadership.



## VI. EXTENSION SERVICES

### ***Mother Teresa Study Centre (MOTESC)***

The B.Ed. students visit the study centres at St. Sebastian's Church, Shanthinagar and Gandhinagar, near Military line, Palayamkottai in the evening from 05.30 p.m. to 08.00 p.m. daily except Sundays to enlighten the poor and downtrodden students in their studies. This extension activity done by B.Ed. students is evaluated properly and awarded a Credit. This credit is also included in their statement of marks.

### **Cultural Competitions**

In the Inter-Collegiate Cultural Competitions conducted by Sterlite Copper, Tuticorin on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014 Mr. Sahaya Ruben. A., Participated in Solo Variety programme and secured 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Our college cultural team participated in the 'Mutamil Mutram' - Inter-collegiate Cultural Competition on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at Annai Theresa Engineering College, Tuticorin and won the overall runnership. The following table lists out the winners,

		Clarans. V	
4.	Group Song	Sahaya Ruben. A	Third
		Jeyaseelan. A	
		Robin Johnson. R	
		Clarans. V	
		Maria Susai. R	
		Kumar. E	
		Nisanth. P	
		Velankanni Arockiasamy. S	
		Vasanth Kumar. I	
		Sivakumar. S	
5.	Solo Performance	Sathish Kumar. K	First
		Augustin Abraham.D	Third
6.	Solo Song	Jeyaseelan. A	Third

A team comprising three members of our college participated in the World Ozone Day Contest on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at District Science Centre, Tirunelveli and Vasanth Kumar I. won the second prize in Power Point Presentation Contest.

### **CONCLUSION**

Let us praise the Ultimate for His continuous showers of blessings upon our institution. We seek for His abundant graces in the future. The past 65 years are the real sources of strength and guidance and I believe we will be able to continue to be a different institution of education in our own way, leading the young teaching community towards a prosperous yet committed life, wherever they are. I, on behalf of the management, take this opportunity, to thank all the teaching and non-teaching staff for their co-operation in excelling this reputed institute of education.

Sl. No.	Event	Name	Place
1.	Street Play	Sahaya Ruben. A	First
		Jeyaseelan. A	
		Robin Johnson. R	
		Kumar. E	
		Maria Susai. R	
		Clarans. V	
		Nambirajan. A	
		Sivakumar. S	
		Balaji. S	
		Mahalingam. A	
		Sathish Kumar. K	
		Augustin Abraham. D	
2.	Dance	Jeyaseelan. A	Second
		Sahaya Ruben. A	
		Robin Johnson. R	
		Kumar. E	
		Maria Susai. R	
		Clarans. V	
		Arun pandian. P	
		Nisanth. P	
3.	Instrument	Jeyaseelan. A	Second
		Sahaya Ruben. A	
		Robin Johnson. R	