



IQAC Newsletter

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Part I

March 2016 to August 2016

From the Principal's Desk



Dear Student-teachers, professors, friends and well-wishers greetings to you from St. Xavier's College of Education.

The purpose of teacher education in India has been a topic of debate for many years. Are we aiming at

merely producing teachers or producing humane teachers? More recently there has been a demand for efficient and humane teachers. We, St. Xavier's College of Education have a 66 year tradition of preparing individuals for the productive contribution to our nation India through training teachers and thus we progress in improving the enterprise of teacher education. Primary dealing of teacher education is and should be the creation of prepared minds, who by off-putting teaching as a profession and viable businesses but instilling professional attitudes in the minds of prospective teacher graduates that they can facilitate not only their job prospects but also can contribute towards the welfare of the overall Indian society. As the captain of this ship, it is my duty and privilege to underline some of our moves towards excellence.

The following are the days, programmes and events, celebrated, organized and conducted during March 2016 to April 2016 of the previous academic year and August 2016 to April 2017 of the current academic year.

I. CURRICULAR ASPECTS

Meeting of Academic Committees

The different committees constituted as per the UGC guidelines of the autonomous colleges had their meeting on the following dates:

S.No.	Events	Date
1.	Governing Body Meeting	19 th March 2016
2.	IQAC Meeting	28 th June 2016
3.	Pre-Board of Studies Meeting	29 th June 2016
4.	Examination cum Awards Committee Meeting	13 th July 2016
5.	Board of Studies Meeting	14 th July 2016

II. TEACHING LEARNING AND EVALUATION

Teaching Learning

Our college incorporates a comprehensive teaching learning approach that includes student centred, self-directed and intrinsic motivated methods. We allow students to contribute information relevant to their study and we consider their suggestions for follow up activities.

Examinations

The Department of Controller of Examinations conducted the Internal and Semester Examinations on the following dates and the results were published on time.

Examination	Course	Date
I Internal of II Semester	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	25 th to 28 th April 2016
II Internal of II Semester	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	23 rd to 27 th June 2016
II Semester	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	01 st to 05 th , 07 th & 08 th July 2016

Evaluation of the Annual Programme

The Curriculum of our college was evaluated by the students on 28th June 2016. This was done in an open forum. The students gave their feedback about the curriculum and they were taken to Board of Studies and Academic Council and necessary changes were made.

III. STAFF ENRICHMENT

Staff Picnic

Picnic is an intimate occasion for the staff to share their feelings, emotions and relaxing a while. A staff picnic was arranged on 16th April 2016 to Thalayanai, an all-cool climate spot with a flowing river in a dent forest near Vaasuthevanallur.

New PhDs

Mr. R. Sathesh Franklin, Director of Physical Education defended his Ph.D. Thesis on the title "Biomechanical Analysis of Penalty Corner Drag Flick in Field Hockey" and Mr. S. Arockiasamy, Assistant Professor in Education defended his Ph.D. Thesis on the title "Emotional Intelligence, Critical Thinking and Stress Management of High School Teachers".

They were awarded Ph.D. in their respective subjects, Physical Education and Education. Congratulations to our new Doctors.

IV. RESEARCH, CONSULTANCY AND EXTENSION

To develop and promote educational research and to provide a forum for discussion of problems related to educational research, our college has a centre named Rev. Fr. Bonhoure Centre for Research. The following are the activities of the research centre carried out during this academic year 2015-2016.

Pre Ph.D. Viva-Voce

S. No.	Name	Title	Guide	Date
1.	S. Sajitha	Modernity, Cognitive Self-Management and Personal Values of the Primary School Teacher Trainees	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	14 th May 2016

2.	P. Lourdu Raj	Influence of cognitive style and critical thinking on decision making of Prospective teachers	Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J.	14 th May 2016
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Consultancy

Eleven M.Ed. students from MET College of Education, Chenbagaramanputhur were in our college for two weeks for their internship. During their stay here, they visited all the units and interacted with the staff members.

On 12th May 2016 Rev. Dr. Amali, the Principal of St. Charles' College of Education, Thirumangalam and the coordinator of IQAC had a discussion with our staff both teaching and non-teaching so as to prepare for NAAC team visit.

On the 13th May 2016 a team comprised of the Secretary, Director, Principal and staff from NVKSD College of Education, Attoor, visited our college regarding Autonomy. They had two sittings with our staff and interacted with the students and visited the different departments to equip themselves with all the necessary documents for the visit from UGC.

The research scholars of Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli and St. Ignatius' College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, NVKSD College of Education, Attoor, have visited our college and consulted our staff members for their tool validation, pilot study and data analysis.

Xavier Journal of Research Abstracts (XJRA)

Xavier Journal of Research Abstracts (XJRA), carrying the abstracts of M.Phil. dissertations was published on 27th May 2016 during this college day function.

Research and Reflection on Education (RRE)

The quarterly journal published by our college, 'Research and Reflections on Education' (RRE) continues to enjoy the patronage of many scholars and teacher educators, and has completed 14 years of its journey successfully.

Extension

S. No.	Programme	Date
1.	Workshop for IGNOU B.Ed. II Year	02 nd to 13 th May 2016
2.	IGNOU B.Ed. I year Counselling	28 th & 29 th May 2016
3.	Mother Theresa University B.Ed. II year Counselling	14 th & 15 th , 21 st & 22 nd , 28 th & 29 th November 2015 and 05 th & 06 th , 12 th & 13 th , 19 th & 20 th , 26 th & 27 th December 2015



4.	Mother Theresa University B.Ed. I year Counselling	30 th January 2016, 06 th , 20 th & 21 st February 2016 and 02 nd to 13 th May 2016
5.	Bharathiar University M.Ed. Counselling	19 th & 20 th , 26 th & 27 th September 2015, 24 th & 25 th October 2015, 19 th & 20 th December 2015, 02 nd & 03 rd January 2016, 15 th , 16 th & 17 th , 23 rd & 24 th April 2016
6.	NET (Education) Coaching classes	18 th & 19 th June 2016
7.	JRS Programme	10 th to 17 th July 2016

V. STUDENTS SUPPORT AND PROGRESSION

Subject Club Activities

- Herodotus History Club arranged a special lecture on 'Passion for teaching' on 14th March 2016. Dr. M.S. Thangam, Assistant Professor, Sarah Tucker College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the resource person.
- Dr. S. Mohamed Haneef, Head, Research Dept. of English, Sadakathullah Appa College, Rahmath Nagar, Tirunelveli delivered a Guest Lecture on 'English for life' on 15th March 2016 for the English Club .
- Thendral Tamil Kazhagam organised a special lecture on “தமிழ் தவறுகளைக் களைவதில் ஆசிரியர்கள்” on 16th March 2016. Dr. Joseph Irudaya Xavier, Former Head, Dept. of Tamil, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the resource person.
- For the π Raters Mathematics Club, Mr. Siluvai Muthu, B.T. Assistant, St. Xavier's Hr. Sec. School, Palayamkottai delivered a special talk on 'Shortcuts in Mathematics' on 17th March 2016.
- Malpighi Biological Science Club organised a special lecture on 'Recent trends in Sericulture' on 18th March 2016. Dr. A. Asha Raja, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Microbiology, Sadakathullah Appa College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the resource person.
- Mrs. A. Chandrapushpam, Announcer, All India Radio, Tirunelveli delivered a talk on 'Nature-life is natural life' on 19th March 2016 for the Health Club.
- Kalam's Physical Science Club organised a special talk on 'Science around us' on 21st March 2016. Dr. G. Selvaraj, Correspondent, Jose and Magdalene Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Shanthi Nagar, Tirunelveli was the resource person.



Awareness Programmes

The Rights of the Consumers

The Consumer Club of St. Xavier's College of Education organized a seminar on “The Rights of the Consumers” on 30th March 2016. Dr. D. A. Prabhakar, the President, Mr. G. Venkatasalam, the Vice-Chairman, Mr. M. Murugan, Tirunelveli District Coordinator of the Federation of Consumer Organizations Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry served as resource persons.

Anti-Tobacco and De-Addiction

A dedicated and voluntary three-member team of animators, Mr. Ramesh, Mr. Kaviraj and Mrs. Vimala Rani, from the Jesuit run 'De-addiction Centre' JMAAD at Carmel School campus from Nagarcoil, conducted a half a day seminar on creating awareness on 'Anti-Tobacco and De-addiction for the betterment of the society' in our college on 09th April 2016.

Voter's Awareness

Our students and staff attended voter's awareness programme conducted by the election officer of Palayamkottai constituency and the assistant commissioner of Tirunelveli and took pledge for cent percent vote on 04th April 2016. They also attended another oath-taking ceremony held at St. Ignatius' College of Education, Palayamkottai on 29th April 2016 and took oath in the presence of District Collector and the Centre Observer.

Legal Awareness

A one-day seminar on “Legal Awareness Programme” was organized in our college on 21st April 2016. Rev. Fr. S. Santhanam, S.J., Advocate, Madras High Court of Madurai Bench, Mr. A. Savariraj, Junior Advocate, Madras High Court of Madurai Bench and Mr. S. Anandaraj, Social Worker from the NGO “Equal Rights” and an associate member of “Peoples Watch”, Madurai were the resource persons.

Seminars / Workshops / Conferences

National Conference on PET

- A Two-day National Conference on 'Producing Employable Teachers (PET): Prospects, Challenges and Strategies' was organized by the IQAC of St. Xavier's College of Education on 18th and 19th March 2016. Delegates from Karnataka, Kerala and different districts of our State from the Universities and Colleges of Education participated.

Visit to Special Schools

Learning by Experience is wisdom. Our students were provided an opportunity to learn how the teaching and learning efforts are made to the special children. Our students visited the following special schools.

- ❖ Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Palayamkottai on 04th April 2016.
- ❖ Florence Swainson School for the Deaf and Dumb, Palayamkottai on 05th April 2016.
- ❖ Bishop Sargent School for the Mentally Challenged, Palayamkottai on 05th April 2016.



Celebrations

Event	Date	Portrayal
Tamil New Year Celebration	14 th April 2016	Dr. M. Peter Arockiaraj, Assistant Professor from Folklore Department, St. Xavier's College depicted a Historical Perspective on the Celebrations of Tamil New Year.
Women's Day Celebration	08 th March 2016	Our college celebrated the International Women's day in collaboration with St. Ignatius' College of Education (Autonomous), and Tirunelveli Social Service Society. Dr. Velammal Muthaiah, Head, Department of Tamil, Sri Parasakthi College, Courtalam was the guest of honor on that day. The whole celebration insisted upon the equal responsibility of Men and Women in building a better future.
College Annual Day Celebration	27 th March 2016	The 66 th College Day was celebrated in the presence of the Chief Guest Sri. A.P.C. Chockalingam, Secretary, V.O.C. Educational Institutions, Thoothukudi. Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponnaiah, S.J., the Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, presided over the



		function. Three Books entitled 'Educational Research made Easy', 'Micro Teaching' and 'Periyakattuppalayam: A Disaster Analysis' were released. The Xavier Journal of Research Abstracts and the College Magazine were also released. Mr. Selvaraj, Principal, Bishop Remijeous CBSE School, Ramanpudur, Nagercoil was honoured with Xaverian Best Teacher Award by the Alumni Association of our College for his Meritorious service in Education. After the formal function, the students staged a variety of cultural programmes and entertained the audience.
World Book Day Celebration	22 nd April 2016	Fr. Utarid Library of St. Xavier's College of Education (SXCE), Palayamkottai organized World Book Day. Dr. A. Muthukrishnan, Librarian, District Central Library, Tirunelveli, was the Chief Guest and distributed the certificates and prizes to the winners.
Sports Day	06 th May 2016	The 66 th Sports Day of our college was celebrated in the stadium of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous). Dr. R. Rajeswari, Principal, St. Ignatius' College of Education (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the Chief Guest and Rev. Fr. Rector presided over the function. The overall winners were the Green House and the runners were the Yellow House. The championship for the march-past was won by the Green House. The individual championship was won by Mr. A. John Antline Alex of the Blue House.

Career Guidance and Placement Cell

We help our students choose apt career when they step out through Career Guidance and Placement Cell. It was formally inaugurated on 02nd April 2016 by Mr. Kuppusamy, the Managing Director of KUPSOFT Technologies, Palayamkottai.



Part II

August 2016 to May 2017

Inauguration

The academic year 2016-2017 was inaugurated officially on 01st August 2016 for II year B.Ed. and M.Ed. programme and on 08th August 2016 for the I year B.Ed. students with the guidance and blessing of Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponniah, S.J., the Rector and he called upon the student teachers for total dedication to their teaching carrier.

I. CURRICULAR ASPECTS

Meeting of Academic Committees

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 2016-2017.

S. No.	Events	Date
1.	Academic Council Meeting	02 nd August 2016
2.	Students Welfare and Extra-curricular Activities Committee Meeting	06 th August 2016
3.	Library Committee Meeting	09 th August 2016 & 13 th March 2017
4.	Research Cell Meeting	10 th August 2016
5.	Career Guidance and Placement Cell Meeting	12 th August 2016 & 06 th March 2017
6.	Extension Services Committee Meeting	13 th August 2016
7.	Magazine Committee Meeting	17 th August 2016 & 02 nd February 2017
8.	Women Cell Meeting	18 th August 2016 & 27 th February 2017
9.	Anti-ragging Committee Meeting	23 rd August 2016
10.	Caste Discrimination Monitoring Committee Meeting	24 th August 2016
11.	Finance Committee Meeting	22 nd September 2016 & 01 st March 2017
12.	College Development Council Meeting	26 th September 2016
13.	IQAC Meeting	29 th September 2016 & 10 th March 2017
14.	Governing Body Meeting	26 th April 2017

II. TEACHING LEARNING AND EVALUATION

Teaching Learning

Teaching learning and evaluation is the second pillar of any higher educational institution. Here are some of the activities of our college related to teaching-learning and evaluation for the academic year 2016-2017.

Entry Behaviour Test

The teaching fitness test was conducted for the B.Ed. I year students on 03rd September 2016 to diagnose their real aptitude towards teaching. This helps the college to plan and execute the activities according to their level of aptitude and to enhance it slowly and sturdily in the minds of emerging teachers.

Micro, Demo and Practice Teaching

From 06th to 12th September 2016 the micro teaching skills were explained and demonstrated by our staff members as a team. The same skills were practiced by the student teachers in small groups under the effective supervision and guidance of our staff members.

Lesson Plan Writing Practice

A two day special lesson plan preparation guidance was given to the B.Ed. 1st year students on 14th and 15th September 2016 so as to enable themselves to prepare their lesson plans on their own for the preliminary teaching practice in our model school.

Meet with Senior Teachers

In order to initiate a rapport with the senior teachers of our model school, 'A meeting with senior Teachers' was organised on 07th October 2016 in our College. Rev. Fr. G. John Gualbert, S.J., the Secretary of our College presided over the function. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal of our College and Rev. Fr. A. Wilson, S.J., the Headmaster of St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School felicitated the gathering. Mr. S. Susai Amalraj, a senior teacher of St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School oriented the students regarding their model teaching over there.

Preliminary Teaching Practice

To prepare the prospective teachers to be more efficient and committed in their teaching they were sent for preliminary teaching practice on 14th, 18th, 21st and 24th October 2016. They were given a stage in our model school to practice their learnt teaching skills.

Examinations

The Internal and Semester Examinations were conducted as scheduled below.

Examination	Course	Date
Odd Semester	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	26 th to 28 th October 2016
I Internal		
II Internal	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	9 th to 12 th December 2016
Semester	1 st year B.Ed.	17 th to 21 st December 2016
	1 st year M.Phil.	21 st & 22 nd December 2016
Practical Commission	2 nd year B.Ed.	20 th & 21 st December 2016
Even Semester	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	27 th Feb. to 2 nd March 2017
I Internal		

II Internal	B.Ed., M.Ed. & M.Phil.	4 th to 8 th May 2017
Semester	1 st year B.Ed.	13 th to 20 th May 2017

III. STAFF ENRICHMENT

Report of the Workshop on Creating own website

In this technology era, it has become very necessary for teachers to promote their educational thoughts over the web. If teachers can make a good web site, students can easily understand the mission and vision of your teaching. A one day workshop on creating one's own website was held on 23rd December 2016. Mr. J. Aumugam, Librarian, PSN College of Technology, Coimbatore and Mr. V. Radhakrishnan, Subject Expert from SPI Global, Chennai were the resource persons. All the participants were able to build their own unique website with advanced design tools.

Inner Journey: a search for meaning

Retreat is a very powerful natural prescription to revitalize our faith and spirit in what we do. One day retreat was organized on 11th March 2017 for all our staff and students. Rev. Sr. Yesu Thangam, discoursed the Teaching and Non-teaching staff. Fr. Arulanatham, S.J., moralized Catholic students. Fr. Richard, S.J., served the Non catholic students to find the real and inner meaning of their lives.

IV. RESEARCH AND CONSULTANCY

Research Colloquium

The colloquium is an intellectual conversation among the student researchers and research supervisors to reflect and concentrate on their research experiences into an integrated discussion. The Research Colloquium was conducted in order to help our research scholars in their research progress on 17th September 2016.

Research Methodology

As a research-intensive institution, our college strives to enhance post graduate students' research aptitude and knowledge. To develop and expand their abilities to discover new things as they progress through their research a two day research methodology seminar was organized for the M.Ed. and M.Phil. scholars on 03rd and 04th November 2016.

Report of UGC-NET Preparatory Programme for LIS Professionals

Rev. Fr. Utarid Library of our College in technical collaboration with Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science (SALIS) (Tirunelveli Chapter) organized Three Day (16th to 18th December 2016) UGC-NET Preparatory Programme for LIS Professionals.

Pre - Ph.D. Seminar Presentation

Sl. No.	Name	Reg. No.	Date	Title
1.	M. Irudhaya Mary	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D.(FT)/ Reg./ January	12.01 .2017	Emotional Intelligence, Quality of Life and Professional

		2012sess./ 2012/1084		Commitment among high school Teachers.
2.	M. Antonyraj	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (PT) Reg./July 2010sess. /2013/71	12.01 .2017	Modernity, Professional ethics and wellness of the high school teachers.
3.	Rajitha M. Linus	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (PT)/ January 2011 session/ 1449.	20.02 .2017	Values of Professional College students in relation to their Personality Traits".
4.	S. Krishna Priya	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. Adm (PT)/ January 2011sess. /581.	20.02 .2017	Teaching Competency of Primary School Teachers in Relation to their Professional Commitment and Intelligence.
5.	J. Ceema Nair	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (PT)/ January 2013 session/ 401	21.02 .2017	Influence of Home Environment and Interpersonal Intelligence on the Academic Achievement of High School Students.
6.	G. Vedhana yagam	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (FT) Reg./ January 2012/1085	07.03 .2017	A Critical Study on IED Programme in Southern Districts of Tamilnadu
7.	S. Milton	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (FT) Reg./ January 2012/1093	07.03 .2017	Impact of ICT on Scholastic Achievement and Personality Development of Middle School Students.
8.	I. Joyal Roopavathi	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (FT) Reg./ January 2013/2014 /404	14.03 .2017	Influence of Thinking Skills and Social Intelligence of the B.Ed. Trainee on their Communicative Behaviour.
9.	V. Jani	TNTEU/R/ Ph.D. (FT) Reg./ January 2013/2014 /403	14.03 .2017	Academic Achievement of Higher Students in Relation to their Study Involvement and Perception of Institutional Climate.



PH.D. VIVA-VOCE

Sl. No.	Name	Title	Guide	Date
1.	Sr. Jaculine Mary	Effectiveness of Computer Based Co-operative Learning on Achievement in English of IX Standard Students.	Dr. Annaraja	02.05. 2017

V. STUDENTS SUPPORT AND PROGRESSION

Bridge Course

The 1st year B.Ed. students experienced a twenty four days Intensive English Bridge Course from 08th to 31st August 2016. This was a special effort taken by our college staff to teach functional grammar and to encourage the prospective teachers to converse in English confidently and without fear.

Personality Development

A two day orientation cum personality development programme was offered to our 1st year B.Ed. students on 01st and 02nd September 2016. This programme has facilitated the prospective teachers to determine themselves and to tune their untuned inner talents.

Blood Identification Camp of the B.Ed. Students

Blood Identification provides an opportunity to help the needy to donate blood. In collaboration with Judge Joseph Clinical Lab our college YRC organized a Blood Identification Camp to motivate the student-teachers to donate blood and other organs on 20th September 2016.

Subject Club Inauguration

To emphasize the importance of the association and interaction in unison for the enhancement of sharing subject related knowledge the subject clubs were officially inaugurated by Rev. Fr. A. Wilson, S.J., the Headmaster, St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Palayamkottai on 21st September 2016.

Subject Club Activities

S. No.	Name of the Club	Date	Topic	Resource Person
1.	Herodotus History Club	11 th January 2017	Demonetization: A Perspective	Dr. S.V.L. Michael, Vice Principal, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.
2.	Words worth English Club	12 th January 2017	Communicative Skill: New Perceptions	Dr. R. Jeya Sundararaj, Associate Professor, St. John's College, Palayamkottai.

3.	Health Club	18 th January 2017	Save world without drugs	Dr. S. Elango, Acubuncturist, Tirunelveli.
4.	Kalam's Physical science Club	19 th January 2017	Fighting cancer with light	Dr. E. M. Mothi, Associate Professor, P.S.N. college of engineering and technology, melathidiyoor.
5.	Bio-Science and Computer Science Club	20 th January 2017	Recent Trends in ICT	Mr. Ramasubramanian, Head, ECCI Academy, Tirunelveli.
6.	Thendral Tamil Kazhagam	23 rd January 2017	இன்றைய பயன் பாட்டில் மறைக்கப்பட்ட மற்றும் மறுக்கப்பட்ட தமிழ்	Dr. Aruna Sundaram, Associate Professor, MDT Hindu College, Tirunelveli.
7.	Π Rates Mathematics Club	25 th January 2017	The significance of Mathematics in daily life	Rev. Dr. A. Arockiasamy, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai.

Library Orientation

Rev. Fr. Utarid Library of our college organized library orientation programme on 23rd September 2016. Dr. N. Selvaganapathy, Librarian, Pioneer Kumaraswamy College, Nagercoil and Joint Secretary of SALIS Tirunelveli Chapter delivered a lecture on 'Role of Students in the Effective use of Library'. Dr. T. Raja, the College Librarian oriented students on the library facilities, rules and regulations and the use of OPAC.

Tutor Ward Meet

The Tutor Ward Meet plays a key function by and large in the progressive development of prospective teachers in their academic and non-academic pursuits. The students are given opportunity once in a month to use the spring potency of their tutors.

Students Council Inauguration

The College Students Council was formally inaugurated on 30th September 2016 by Rev. Dr. S. Antonysamy, S.J., the Secretary, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai. Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., oriented the students about



the importance of students' council and the expectation of the college. Mr. M. Karamani and Mr. S. Selvin Jeyakumar were elected as the Chairman and Vice Chairman and Miss. S. Ramya and Miss. S. Amutha were elected as Secretary and Joint Secretary.

Career Guidance and Placement Cell Inauguration

To make a career and thus a living is very important in a life. The Career Guidance and Placement Cell of our college is very objective in developing the teaching career and help prospective teachers to start that over here. The inauguration of Career Guidance and Placement Cell for the academic year 2016-2017 was held on 15th October 2016. Mr. A. Anbuvaran, the Principal of Dhanakshmi Higher Secondary School, Chennai was the Chief Guest.

Visit to Special Schools

Know-how is wisdom. Our students were provided an opportunity to know and learn how teaching and care are made to the challenging students. Our students visited the following special schools.

- ❖ Higher Secondary School for the Blind, Palayamkottai on 31st October 2016.
- ❖ Florence Swainson School for the Deaf and Dumb, Palayamkottai on 01st November 2016.
- ❖ Bishop Sargent School for the Mentally Challenged, Palayamkottai on 01st November 2016.

NCTE Visit

The NCTE Team comprising of Dr. Hieramath, Principal, J.S.S. College of Education, Vijayapur and Rev. Sr. Dr. Celene Joseph, Principal, Associate Professor of Physical Science, St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala, Kerala visited the college on 02nd November 2016 and inspected the entire infrastructure and the facility available in the entire campus.

Yoga Training

Health is not a mere absence of disease. It is a dynamic expression of life. For this yoga helps. The Health Club of our college organized a special programme on Yogic Practice for our college men and women students on 10th November 2016. Mrs. Kowsalyakumar, Vocational Assistant, St. Ignatius' Higher Secondary School, Palayamkottai was the resource person.

Inter-Religious Prayer

To regulate and endorse the virtue of religious synchronization among the trainee teachers, St. Xavier's College of Education organized an Inter-Religious Prayer service on 12th November, 2016 with the theme **"For the Safety and the Welfare of the People"**.

Interaction with Transgender

Asymmetrical treatment based on gender is sin. To make the student teachers to feel proud of gender and to enable them to understand the other genders, on behalf of the Red Ribbon Club a special programme on "Understanding the Transgender" was organized on 25th November 2016. Ms. P. Viji, B.A., LLB., Director, Anbu Trust, Ms. Malini, the Social Activist were the

Resource Persons. Their sharing helped our students to understand transgender and their problems from the right perspective.

Visit to Aaikudi Special School

Amar Seva Sangam a Rehabilitation and Development Centre that empowers the Differently Abled citizens by establishing a "Valley for the Differently Abled" is situated in Aaikudy at Tenkasi. Our college students had a one day experience by integrating themselves with the Differently Abled individuals in the village Aaikudi on 28th January 2017.

Social Project Day

It is crucial for a teacher to analyze social issues in the socio-historical context and predict, anticipate and visualize the 21st century. To enhance the classroom confined studies in to a field-experience for the students the social project is given to our students. On 6th February 2017 our 1st year B.Ed. students were sent to different places of Palayamkottai for an extended and door-to-door survey to get the opinions of the people on some selected social issues.

Educational Tour

An educational tour to Hyderabad was organized to the 1st year B.Ed. students from 10th February to 16th February. The architecture of Golconda fort, Chowmahalla palace and Charminar enthralled our imagination. The language, culture and tradition of Telangana people were cherished by our students.



Arts and Science Exhibition

Exhibitions are the only chance to showcase a product, a skill or a service. To provide a perfect platform to acquire the skill of organizing and to present innovations at its best the Arts and Science exhibition was held on 06th March 2017 in our College. Dr. M. Johnson, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai was the unique invitee for the valediction. More than one thousand students from schools and colleges of education visited and benefited.

Seminars / Workshops / Conferences

National Conference on Electronic Resources and Academic Libraries

A two day "National Conference on Electronic Resources and Academic Libraries: Exploring New Trends, Technologies, Practices, Services and Management - (NCERAAL 2016)" was organized by Fr. Utarid Library, of our college in collaboration with the Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science (SALIS), Tirunelveli Chapter in our college on 21st and 22nd October 2016. Around 200 delegates from all the over India participated in the conference.



National Conference on Social Media: Influence on Youth in their Psycho-Social Behavioral Functions (SIYPBF)

A two day National Conference on "Social Media: Influence on Youth in their Psycho-Social Behavioral Functions (SIYPBF)" was conducted on 24th and 25th of March 2017. The organizing committee members comprised of Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Organization Secretary, Rev. Fr. Martin George, S.J., the Joint Secretary, Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin, Mrs. M. Balasaraswathi and Mrs. J. Annie, the coordinators systematically organized this national conference. Eminent scholars from various departments like Visual Communication, Electronic Media and Mass Communication, Sociology and Criminology were the resource persons. 174 delegates from the Universities and Colleges of Education of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamilnadu participated actively and 71 papers on different aspects on social media were presented.

Celebrations

Teachers Day Celebration

The prospective teachers were reminded of their future holy mission on 12th September 2016 by celebrating the Teachers Day in the college premise. Mr. S. Xavier Amalraj, Former Professor and Head of Department of English, Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Tiruchendur, was the Chief Guest. Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponniah, S.J., the Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, presided over the function. All the participants took Teacher's Day Oath.

Sangamam

Remembering the past is an evidence for who you are now. The previous batch of our college students met on 10th December 2016 in the General Body Meeting (GBM) of the Alumni Association of our College. The good, beautiful and forgotten experiences were shared. Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponniah, S.J., the Rector valued the shared experiences and asked them to keep in touch with the Alma mater. Rev. Fr. G. John Gualbert, S.J., the Secretary of our College and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal of our College felicitated the gathering.



Graduation Day

A Graduation Day is the most exciting day of receiving an academic degree upon the completion of one's studies. Our college had its graduation on 10th December 2016 at 3.00 p.m. Rev. Dr. S. Xavier Alphonse, S.J., Coordinator, Madurai Jesuit Higher Education Commission, St. Joseph's College, Trichy conferred degrees and insisted our graduates that this day is not a day of terminating one's learning but the commencement that leads them deep and deep in lifelong learning.



Christmas Day

Seeking God among the poor and forgotten people is a pleasant experience. The birth of Jesus Christ was celebrated in a meaningful way with the mentally retarded students at St. Anne's Convent on 22nd December 2016.



Pongal Celebration

The traditional festival of Tamil 'Pongal' was celebrated in a grand manner on 13th January 2017. Rev. Dr. J. Denis Ponniah, S.J., presided over the function. Rev. Fr. G. John Gualbert, S.J., Secretary of the college, and Rev. Dr. D. Thomas Alexander, S.J., the Principal of our College felicitated the gathering. Dr. L. Alangara Raj, the PG teacher of St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School delivered a special address on the Pongal of a Teacher in his classroom. Earlier, the students and the staff members enjoyed the fun games.



Women's Day

International Women's Day is worshiped on 8th March every year. Our college celebrated the International Women's Day on 8th March 2017. Rev. Sis. Dr. A. Nirmala Devi, ICM, Vice Principal, Dean and IQAC Co-ordinator, St. Ignatius' College of Education was the Chief Guest. The celebration glorified Woman as the greatest and most precious thing in the world.



Awareness Programmes

Basic Legal Awareness

A One day Seminar on Basic Legal Rights Awareness was conducted on 05th November 2016. Rev. Fr. S. Santhanam, S.J., and Mr. B. Tamilnidhi, Advocates, Madras High Court, Madurai Bench were the Resource Persons. The catch phrase 'Ignorance of the Law is not an Excuse' was emphasized throughout this seminar

The Management of Dengue

A special awareness programme on 'the Management of Dengue Fever through Siddha Medicine' was organized on 08th November 2016. Dr. R. Meenatchi Sundaram, M.D. (S), Government Siddha

	Medical College, Palayamkottai was the Resource Person. He enlightened the students about the effective prevention and treatment of Dengue and other viral infections through 'Nilavembu Kudineer'.
HIV and AIDS Awareness	The Red Ribbon Club organized a guest lecture on HIV and AIDS awareness on 17 th November 2016. Dr. S. Murugan, Professor and Head, Department of Dermatology, Sree Moogambika Institute of Medical Sciences, Kanyakumari was the Resource Person. An appeal to play a healthy and positive role in exterminating AIDS was given.
Seminar on Addiction and De-addiction	A special awareness programme on 'Alcoholism' was organised on 23 rd November 2016. Mr. Franklin, Administrator, Mrs. Vimala, the Staff Nurse and Mr. Stephen, the Staff from JMAADD, were the Resource Person. They emphasized that alcoholism is a primary, chronicle brain disease. It can be prevented and controlled.
Transgender Awareness Programme	A 'Transgender Awareness Programme' was organized on 26 th November 2016 in our college. Mr. E. Mahendran, Department of English proposed the welcome address. Mrs. P. Viji, the transgender and Director of 'Anbu Trust', Tuticorin shared her life as a transgender and made the students realize the physiological, psychological and social problems and struggles they face in their everyday living. Mrs. V. Manju, another TG spoke on how she struggles to continue her educational carrier and appealed to the youth to extend their social and moral support in support of TGs. The interactive opportunity given helped the students to clarify their doubts. On the whole, the programme was found to be very informative and useful.

VI. EXTENSION

1.	IGNOU B.Ed. II year Counselling	27 th & 28 th August 2016
2.	IGNOU B.Ed. II year Counselling	19 th & 20 th November 2016

Cultural Competitions Prize Winners in Different Colleges

1. Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Birthday Celebrations at District Central Library, Tirunelveli.

Our students participated in the 'Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Birthday Celebrations' on 15th October 2016 at District Central Library, Tirunelveli and P. Edward Lenin won the first place in Verse Writing.

2. Jallikattu Vizha Celebrations at SAV Ground, Thoothukudi

Our students participated in the 'Jallikattu Vizha Celebrations – Cultural Competitions' on 25th February 2017 at SAV Ground, Thoothukudi and won the **Overall Championship**. The following table lists out the winners.

Sl. No.	Name of the Event	Name	Place
1.	Tamil Elocution	V. NambiPerumal	First
		A. Maria Charlie	Second
2.	Essay Writing	M. Sappani Muthu	First
		N. Ananthababu	Second
3.	Verse Writing	I. Kannan	First
		P. Chella Pandian	Second
4.	Drawing	X. Benedict Joseph	Second
		M. Benie Joseph	Third
5.	Folk Dance	M. Raj Kumar	First
		G. Murugan	
		P. Jeba Vincent Raj	
		S. Benedict Xavier	
6.	Skit	J. JeffirinValan	First
		M. Sriram Prasad	
		E. Mahendran	
		K. Prakash	
		X. Benedict Joseph	
		S. Palanimurugan	
		I. Kannan	
		V. NambiPerumal	
		A. Robin Issack	
		P. Jeba Vincent Raj	
7.	Mime	P. Chella Pandian	First
		A. Maria Charlie	
		M. Karthickraja	
		M. Sriram Prasad	
8.	Folk Songs	M. Karthickraja	First
		K. Prakash	
		A. Robin Issack	
		P. Mariselvan	
		J. JeffirinValan	First
		P. Jeba Vincent Raj	

3. Our students A. Maria Charlie, R. Arockia Praveen, K. Pon Raja Sekar, A. Arockia Nelson participated in the 'மதுபாணம் அருந்துவதன் தீமைகள் - விழிப்புணர்வுபோட்டிகள்' on 9th March 2017 at Sarah Ducker College, Perumalpuram, Palayamkottai and won the first place in Stage Play (Skit).

Kalai Chitharal

Kalai Chitharal - 2017, an intra-mural cultural competitions, was held on 27th January 2017. Rev. Dr. A. Kingsley, S.J., Head, Department of Visual Communication, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai presided over the function and distributed the prizes. It was a rare opportunity for our B.Ed. and M.Ed. Students to vent out their hidden potentials in cultural events. All the B.Ed. and M.Ed. boys students were

divided into 5 groups, namely, Jio, Pegasus, Jolly John's, Thunder Sharks and Entertainers and All the B.Ed. and M.Ed. girls students were divided into 3 groups namely, Crazy Kanmani, Leaf of Grapes and Petals of Roses, the competitors from these groups actively participated in the charted out 14 events. **For the Boys 'Jolly John's'** who secured the first place followed by **'Jio and Thunder Sharks'** won the second places and **For the Girls 'Leaf of Grapes'** who secured the first place followed by **'Crazy Kanmani'** won the second place.

Community Camp

The life of the people in the rural, slums, remote and backward areas in Tirunelveli District is a challenging one. To contribute a little to those noble people and to gain village experience our college organized a three days community camp **"Kiramapravesam"** from 02nd to 04th February 2017 at Samathuvapuram Village, Seethaparpanallur, Tirunelveli District.



A theme was allotted for each day: Environmental Awareness day, Social Awareness day and Health and Hygiene day. A special Siddha medical camp was organized by the Alumni Association of our College on 04th February 2017. Meaningful cultural programmes were staged. Every day our students had village welfare works.

A discourse on Globalization

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Guggenberger, Dean of Catholic Theology, from the University of Innsbruck, Austria gave a special lecture on Globalization 13th March 2017 that has a dramatic effect for good or ill, on world economies and on people's lives. He emphasized on the global education values and attitudes, personal identity and self-esteem, care and compassion, responsibility and cooperation, social justice, respecting diversity, and environmental sustainability.

Annual Sports Day

Physical Education is an integral part of total education, aims at the integral formation of the students by means of Sports and Games. To translate the objectives of Physical Education, Sports and Games into a reality, our students are provided with ample opportunities and adequate facilities to carry out their skills in an excellent manner. The 67th Annual Sports Day was conducted on 28th March 2017 at 7.30 a.m., in St. Xavier's College Stadium. Rev. Sr. Magdalene Therese, ICM, Secretary of Ignatius College of Education was the Chief Guest of the day and declared the sports meet open. Rev. Fr. J. Danis Ponniah, S.J., Rector, St. Xavier's Institutions, presided over the function and distributed the prizes to the winners. Dr. R. Sathesh Franklin, Director of Physical Education presented the 67th Annual College Sports Day Report. The students were divided into seven different groups, having named Blue, White, Red, Yellow Houses, Warriors, Strangers, Strugglers, Raiders and

Rockers. 13 games and 20 athletic events were conducted for B.Ed. and M.Ed. Students. Overall Championship was bagged by Blue House (Men) and Strangers (Women). Red House was selected as a best team in March Past. Individual Championship was won by Mr. Benie Joseph in Men category and Ms. Tamil Selvi in Women Category.



Hostel Day Celebration

The Bellarmine House celebrated its golden jubilee hostel day on 1st April 2017. Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponniah, S.J., the Rector presided over the function. Dr. V.S. Joseph Albert, Deputy Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, was the Chief Guest. After the formal programme the mega cultural mela was staged. Fathers and Brothers from St. Xavier's community, Professors, Non-teaching Staff, members from Alumni Association and well-wishers of Bellarmine house joined in the golden jubilee celebration.



College Day

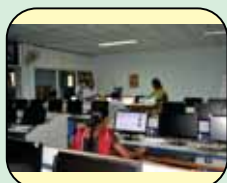
The 67th College Day was celebrated on 22nd April 2017 in the presence of the Alumnus and the Chief Guest Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar, Principal, Meston College of Education (Autonomous), Chennai. Rev. Dr. J. Danis Ponnaiah, the Rector of St. Xavier's Institutions, presided over the function. The IQAC Newsletter was released by Rev. Fr. Rector, and the first copy was received by Dr. R. Rajeswari, Principal, St. Ignatius' College of Education, Palayamkottai. The Xaverian Journal of Abstract was released by the Chief Guest and the first copy was received by Dr. A. Amalraj, President, Alumni Association. The findings of the students' social project were compiled in a book entitled 'Roots and Branches: An Analysis of Social Issues by Prospective Teachers' was released by Rev. Sr. Maggi, ICM, Secretary, St. Ignatius' College of Education, Palayamkottai and the first copy was received by Dr. M. Antony Raj. The E-magazine AASHAN was launched by the Chief Guest and the mobile app for Colleges of Education was launched by Rev. Fr. Rector. The college magazine was released by Rev. Dr. S. Amaladoss Xavier, S.J. and the first copy was received by Dr. A. Punitha Mary. The proceedings of the seminar on 'Social Media: Influencing on Youth in their Psycho-social behavioural functions' was released by Rev. Dr. I. Jesudoss, S.J.

and the first copy was received by Dr. G. Selvaraj, Alumni. The gathering was felicitated by Rev. Fr. Secretary. Dr. D. Devasahayam Selvakumar delivered the chief guest address. Mr. M. Karamani, the chairman of college students' council proposed vote of thanks. Soon after the formal function, the spectators were entertained by our college students with a multi-dimensional cultural programme.



Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) Visit

We had the Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) in our College for the first time on 03rd May 2017. A two member Audit Team headed by Dr. E. Ramganes, Professor and Head,



Department of Educational Technology, Bharathidasan University and Dr. P. Nithila Devakarunyam, Principal and Secretary, St. Christopher College of Education, Chennai audited the Education Quality Processes of our college.



CONCLUSION

Let me take this opportunity to thank all of you for your service in all eventful academic leading of this great institution.

I thank all the teaching and non-teaching staff, students, alumni and well-wishers for your extensive support. I hope through the experience I gained in USA I can give a broader platform to the staff and students to create themselves for making of our nation's future bright and successful.

Let me again give my heartily tribute to our teaching and non-teaching staff for their uninterrupted commitment, compassion and competence.

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