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MESTON FLASHES

Dear Well Wishers,

Greetings from Meston!

By the grace and abundant blessings of Lord Almighty, Our College has entered into new academic year 2016-2017. In this academic year, along with the second year students, we have admitted new batch of students in both B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses.

The syllabus drafting committee of our college framed curriculum for second year B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses, followed by the approval of Board of Studies on 30th August, 2016, Academic Council on 9th September, 2016 and Governing Body on 23rd November, 2016.

The College was re-opened on 17th August, 2016. A special prayer and message was given by Mr. Joshua Kirubairaj, National Director, Scripture Union for both first and second year students. The first year students were given orientation, regarding the curricular and co-curricular activities of the college, followed by bridge course to enhance their communicative skills in English for a week.

Teachers' Day was celebrated in memory of former President of India Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan. Students exhibited their talents during this occasion on 17th September, 2016.

78th Graduation Day was held on 20th September, 2016. Prof. Dr. S. Thangasamy, Vice-Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Teachers Education University, Chennai delivered the Convocation Address and distributed degrees to the new graduates.

Videographed micro teaching sessions with feed back by our staff, Observation classes and Demonstration classes were taken by the staff concerned for our students in order to improve their teaching proficiency.

Inauguration of Indoor Sports Training Facilities Building was held on 26th September, 2016, which was inaugurated by Dr. N. Vijayan, Former President, MEDA.

As part of the curriculum, our B.Ed. students have gone for teaching practice – phase II for 16 weeks from 18th August to 7th December, 2016 to 11 schools in and around Chennai city. We thank the heads of the institutions and the mentor teachers for their unbelievable support and guidance.

'Youth Awakening Day' was celebrated in our college on behalf of 85th Birthday of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Former President of India on 17th October, 2016. Our Principal planted a tree near Emma Foulger Women's Hostel.

An awareness workshop for all administrative staff of our college on the theme 'Where Technology Stuns Technology' by PALPAP Ichinichi Software International, Chennai – 16 on 21st October, 2016 organised by IQAC of our College.

Nature Club of our College planted five teakwood trees in our campus (near management office) on 22nd October, 2016.

M.Ed. students had undergone School Internship Phase– II on their Area of Specialization from 24th October to 4th November, 2016.

Our college organised National seminar on 25th October, 2016 on the theme, 'Challenges of Teachers in Knowledge Society' for Research Scholars and Teacher Educators. The Chief Guest for the inauguration was Dr. B.P.R. Narasimha Rao, Regional Director, IGNOU Chennai Region, Chennai – 35. Sessions on 'Teachers in knowledge Society' by Dr. Joju John, Assistant Professor, Mar Theophilus Training College, Trivandrum and 'Emerging Pedagogies in Knowledge Society' by Prof. P. Sivakumar, Dean, Faculty of Education, Alagappa University, Karaikudi were conducted. Paper Presentation Sessions were chaired by Dr. D. Kumaran, Former Prof. & Head, Department of Education, University of Madras, Chennai, Dr. Rajayokiam, Principal (i/c), Thiagarajar College of Preceptors, Madurai and Dr. (Mrs.) Merlyn Sanders, Former Principal, Meston College of Education, Chennai-14. The Valedictory address was delivered by Mr. N.K. Ramesh, Deputy Registrar (i/c) Intellectual Property Appellate Board, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Chennai -18.

A lecture on 'Safety Measures for Diwali Celebrations' was given by Mr. Parthiban, B.Ed. Student on 28th October, 2016. We observed National Unity Day on behalf of Birthday Celebrations of Dr. Sardar Vallabhai Patel on 31st October, 2016. Observation of vigilance awareness week from 31st October to 5th November, 2016 was done.

Our College fellowship was inaugurated on 26th November, 2016 by Rev. Fr. Sundararaj, SDB, Principal, St. Mary's Anglo Indian Higher Secondary School, Chennai – 1 and he highlighted on the need for updating current knowledge and communication skills among student teachers.

The Citizenship training camp was organised for 5 days from 29th November to 3rd December, 2016 in our college campus, which was inaugurated by Dr. T. Sekar, Headmaster, M.M.D.A Govt. Higher Secondary School, Arumbakkam, Chennai – 106. Demonstration on 'Chart Writing' by Thiru. K. Kalyani Kannan, Guest Lectures on 'Be a Teacher' by Mr. S. Antony Prakash, 'Leadership Qualities' by Mr. K. Panneer Selvam and 'Builders of the future generation' by Mr. A. Edwin Juda were carried out in the camp. Valedictory Address was delivered by Dr. V. Chandrasekar, Professor and Head, Department of Education, University of Madras, Chepauk, Chennai – 5.

The students observed International Day of people with disability on 3rd December, 2016. World Soil Day was observed on 5th December, 2016, Mrs. Induja gave a special talk.

Founder's Day was celebrated on 23rd December, 2016. The thanks giving service in memory of our founder father Rev. T. R. Foulger was solemnized by Rev. G. Charles Edwin, God is Good Ministries, Chennai.

Meston Education Development Association (MEDA) conducted the Christmas Programme on 23rd December, 2016, Mr. Joseph Stephen, Member, MEDA delivered God's Message.

Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meeting was held on 19th November, 2016. Office bearers were elected unanimously for this academic year 2016-2017.

Guest Lectures were organised to enhance the knowledge among the trainees. Mrs. Joan Elango delivered a lecture on 'Social Skills for Students' on 15th October, 2016, Dr. Chindai Jeyaraman spoke on 'An innovative Education: Learning through Integrated Disciplinary (Science, Mathematics and Social Science – SMS)' on 5th November, 2016 and Prof. Dr. Rita Goretti Lourdes delivered a lecture on the theme 'Innovative Approaches in Teaching' on 26th November, 2016.

Extension Services Department of our College organised a one day seminar for Geography teachers on 24th January, 2017, Mr. B. Vasudevan, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Presidency College, Chennai – 5 gave a lecture on current environmental issues.

68th Republic Day was celebrated in our College. National Flag was hoisted by our Principal, followed by special cultural events by our staff and students.

Model / Revision Examinations for B.Ed. and M.Ed. (both first and second year) were held from 15th to 22nd December, 2016.

First and Third Semester Examinations for B.Ed. and M.Ed. (both first and second year) was held from 11th to 27th January, 2016

Major. E.S. Daniel Gunanithi, I.A.S. Retd.
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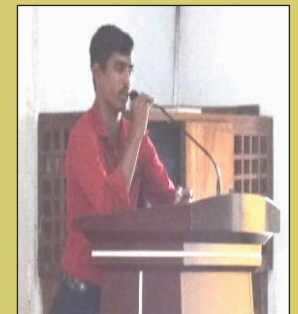
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Dr. N. Vijayan,
Academic Dean

Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar,
Principal



Our Students performing various programmes, during teachers' day celebration on 17th September, 2016

GUEST LECTURES



Mrs. Joan Elango, Principal, Anitha Methodist Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Vepery, Chennai - 7 delivered an enticing speech on the theme 'Social Skills for Students' on 15.10.2016.



Dr. Chindai Jeyaraman, President, Chennai Institute of Educational Technology and Research, Chennai illuminated his views on 'An Innovative Education: Learning through Integrated Disciplinary (Science, Mathematics, Social Science - SMS)' on 5.11.2016



Prof. Dr. Rita Goretti Lourdes, Former Controller of Examinations & Prof and Head, Dept. of Education, TNOU, Saidapet, Chennai- 15 delivered a zealous lecture on 'Innovative Approaches in Teaching' on 26th November, 2016.



On college reopening day (17.08.2016), Special Prayer and Message by Mr. Joshua Kirubairaj, National Director, Scripture Union, India.

Our students participated in various competitions.

- State level Tamil singing competition organized by Gandhian Integrated Forum Trust, Ashok Nagar, Chennai on 28th and 29th August, 2016.
- Essay Writing, Poetry and Drawing Competition organized by Library, Gurunanak College, Velachery, Chennai – 42 on 29th September and 14th October, 2016.
- English Oratorical Contest organized by Toast Masters Club, YMCA Royapettah, Chennai – 14 on 22nd October, 2016.

Our students participated and won prizes in various competitions

- Our Student L. Thenmozhi, S. Monica, J. Hepzibha John and M. Nivethitha received the special prize in Tamil Group Singing competition and G. Maheswari, V. Suganya and C. Durgadevi received the consolation prizes in Tamil oratorical competition in the state level competitions organized by Gandhian Integrated Forum Trust, Ashok Nagar, Chennai on 28th and 29th August, 2016.
- Our Student secured third place in the drawing competition organized by Library, Gurunanak College, Velachery, Chennai – 42 on 14th October, 2016.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION MEETING ON 19TH NOVEMBER 2016.



Mr. J.I. Rozario, PTA President and our College Principal, on the dias.



A view of Parents attending PTA Meeting.

Congratulations to the office bearers of PTA for the academic year 2016-2017.

- President** : Mr. J.I. Rozario, D.C.E., (F/O. Ms. R. Floranthine Mathivadhane)
Consultant, HIMMON Constructions Pvt. Ltd., Chennai.
- Vice President** : Mr. M. Sakkaiah, B.Sc., (F/O. M.S. Ilaya Bharathi)
Chemist, North Chennai Thermal Power Station, Chennai.
- Treasurer** : Mrs. L. Prema, B.Sc., (Nursing) (M/O. B. Blessy UdhayaKumari)
Staff Nurse, Government Hospital, Royapettah, Chennai.

COLLEGE STUDENTS FELLOWSHIP



Rev. Fr. Sundararaj, SDB, Principal, St. Mary's Anglo Indian Higher Secondary School, Parrys, Chennai - 1 inaugurated College Students Fellowship on 26th November, 2016.



Newly elected leaders for the academic year 2016-2017 undertaking the Oath.

Congratulations to the newly elected office bearers of College Students Fellowship for the academic year 2016-2017.

- General Secretary:**
Mr. J.T. Augustin Jebakumar (English)
- Asst. General Secretary:**
Ms. S. Kavinilavu (Physical Science)

Subject Secretaries

- Biological Science:** Ms. R. Lavanya (II Year)
Mr. S. Karthikeyan (I Year)
- English:** Mr. R. Gokulraj (II Year)
Ms. P. Hariharapriya (I Year)
- History:** Ms. R. Jenifer Kanmani (II Year)
Mrs. G. Kokilavani (I Year)
- Mathematics:** Mr. R. Rajarajan (II Year)
Ms. A. Divya (I Year)
- Physical Science:** Ms. S. Santhiya (II Year)
Ms. R. Suganya (I Year)
- M.Ed. Secretary:** Fr. M. Packiam (II Year)
Mr. Remuel (I Year)

INAUGURATION OF JAMES COOLING INDOOR SPORTS TRAINING FACILITIES BUILDING ON 26TH SEPTEMBER, 2016.



Dr. N. Vijayan, Former President, MEDA inaugurated the building.



Dr. N. Vijayan, Former President, Rev. Dr. S. Silas Kaliyanadoss, Vice – President, Rev. Fr. Lourdasamy Susai, SDB, Secretary, Rev. Fr. Charles Bernard, OFM, Former Treasurer are on the Dias.



78th GRADUATION DAY ON 20th SEPTEMBER, 2016



Prof. Dr. S. Thangasamy, Vice Chancellor, TamilNadu Teachers Education University, Chennai delivered the Convocation Address and distributed degrees to the new graduates.



PLANTATION OF TEAK WOOD TREES IN OUR CAMPUS ON 22ND OCTOBER, 2016.



Nature Club Members of our College planted teak wood trees in our college campus

ADD ON COURSES

Our College has introduced the following add on courses

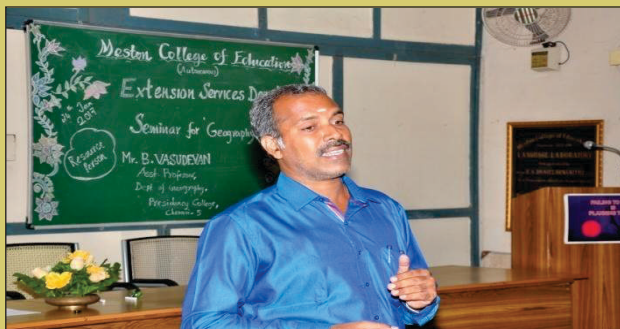
- Communicative English
- Life Skills Education
- Parental Counselling
- School Management

CLUBS

The following clubs are functioning in our college effectively

- Nature Club
- Fine Arts Club
- Literary Club
- Electronic Club

EXTENSION SERVICES DEPARTMENT



A Seminar for Geography teachers by Mr. B. Vasudevan, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Presidency College, Chennai – 5 on 24th January, 2017.

SAFETY MEASURES FOR DIWALI



A talk on 'Safety measures for Diwali Celebrations' by Mr. Parthiban on 28th October, 2016.

AN AWARENESS WORKSHOP FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF OF OUR COLLEGE ON 21ST OCTOBER, 2016



Dr. P. Senthilkumar, Chairman & CEO and Mr. Aravind, Delivery Manager focus on our administrative staff during workshop.

85TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF DR. A.P.J. ABDUL KALAM IN OUR COLLEGE ON 17TH OCTOBER, 2016.



Dr. P. Eugene Michael and our students Mr. Parthiban, Mr. Karthikeyan and Ms. Devi performed various cultural events which motivated our student teachers.

Our sincere thanks to all the heads of the following practicing schools for their tremendous support and co-operation during the intensive teaching practice: phase II (from 18th August to 7th December, 2016)

1. MCC Hr. Sec. School, Chetpet, Chennai – 34.
2. St. Bede's A.I. Hr. Sec. School, Santhome, Chennai – 4.
3. Santhome Hr. Sec. School, Santhome, Chennai – 4.
4. Hindu Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane, Chennai – 5.
5. St. Peter's Hr. Sec. School, Royapuram, Chennai – 13.
6. Montfort High School, Alandur, Chennai – 16.
7. Kellet Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane, Chennai – 5.
8. Muslim Hr. Sec. School, Triplicane, Chennai – 5.
9. Wesley Hr. Sec. School, Royapettah, Chennai – 14.
10. Raja Sir Muthiah Hr. Sec. School, Mandaveli, Chennai – 28.
11. Chinthadirpet Boys Hr. Sec. School, Chinthadirpet, Chennai – 2.
12. Kaligi Ranganathan Montford Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Chennai – 23.
13. Rex Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Chennai – 5.
14. Angel Baby Land Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Tondiarpet, Chennai – 81.
15. St. George's A. I. Hr. Sec. School, Chennai – 30.
16. Emma Foulger Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Royapettah, Chennai – 14.



Our Principal planted saplings in the Emma Foulger Women's Hostel premises during youth awakening day programme.

FOUNDERS DAY THANKS GIVING SERVICE ON 23 DECEMBER 2016



The Lord's message was shared by Rev. G. Charles Edwin, God is Good Ministries, Chennai. Opening prayer was by our secretary Rev. Fr. Lourdusamy Susai, SDB.

Special visit by Dr. B.P.R. Narasimha Rao, Regional Director, IGNOU Chennai during Workshop on 24th September, 2016.

CITIZENSHIP TRAINING CAMP FROM 29th NOVEMBER TO 3rd DECEMBER, 2016.



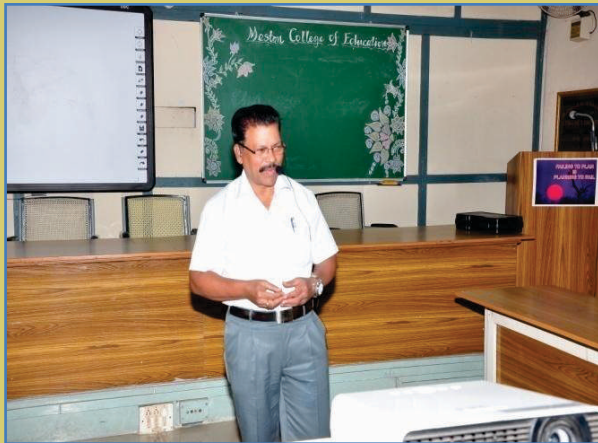
Dr. T. Sekar, Head Master, MMDA Govt. Hr. Sec. School, Arumbakkam, Chennai-106 delivered the inaugural address.



Enchanting Lecture on 'Be a Teacher' by Mr. S. Antony Prakash, Training Manager, Chettinad Group of Companies & Institutions, Chennai - 6 on 29th November, 2016.



Motivational Lecture on 'Builders of the future Generations' by Mr. Edwin Juda Edwards, Managing Director, SMART Academy, Chennai - 14 on 1st December, 2016.



Enlightening Lecture on 'Leadership Qualities' by Mr. Panneer Selvam, Retired Teacher in Social Science, Wesley Hr. Sec. School, Chennai - 14 on 1st December, 2016.



Informative Demo on 'Chart Writing' by Mr. K. Kalyani Kannan, Retd. AHM, Wesley Hr. Sec. School, Royapettah, Chennai - 14 on 2nd December, 2016. Student Teachers displaying their teaching aids prepared by them.



Campus cleaning by our student teachers during the camp



Physical Jerks and Yoga by our student teachers during the camp

Auditorium cleaning by our student teachers during the camp



Special cultural events by our students during the camp fire.

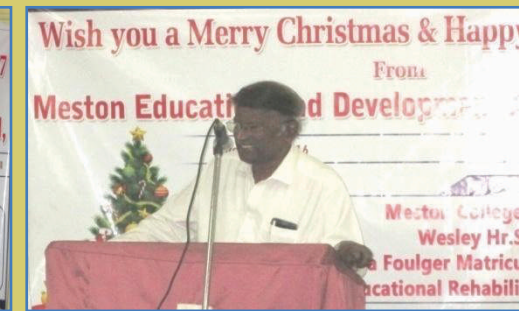
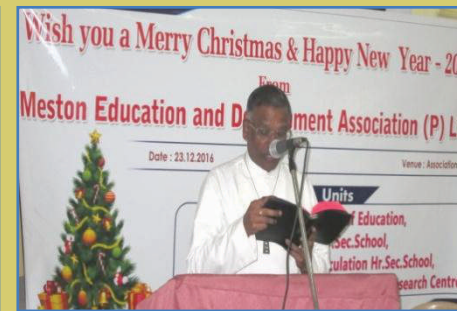


Valedictory Address was delivered by Dr. V. Chandrasekar , Professor & Head, Department of Education, University of Madras, Chepauk, Chennai – 5 on 2nd December, 2016.



Feedback by students during valedictory programme about camp activities.

MESTON EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (M.E.D.A.) CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME ON 23rd DECEMBER, 2016.



Opening Prayer by Rev. Fr. Lourdusamy Susai, SDB, Secretary, Major. E.S. Daniel Gunanidhi, I.A.S. Retd. President on the dias, Bible Reading by Rev. Dr. C. David, Treasurer and Mr. Joseph Stephen, Member MEDA shared the Lord's Message during Christmas Celebration.



Our College Principal hoisted the tricolour National flag during 68th Republic Day.

REPUBLIC DAY



Patriotic Programmes during Republic Day

OUR COLLEGE ORGANISED A NATIONAL SEMINAR ON THE THEME 'CHALLENGES OF TEACHERS IN KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY' ON 25th OCTOBER, 2016.



Inaugural address by Dr. B.P.R. Narasimha Rao, Regional Director, IGNOU Chennai Region, Chennai – 35.



Dr. B.P.R. Narasimha Rao releasing the Conference Monograph, Major. E.S. Daniel Gunanidhi, I.A.S. Retd., our President receiving the first copy of the Monograph.



Dr. Joju John, Assistant Professor, Mar Theophilus Training College, Trivandrum delivered an enterprising lecture on 'Teachers in Knowledge Society'.



Prof. P. Sivakumar, Dean, Faculty of Education, Alagappa University, Karaikudi gave an innovative talk on 'Emerging Pedagogies in Knowledge Society'.



Chair Persons for Paper Presentation Session I, II & III. Dr. D. Kumaran, Former Prof & Head, Department of Education, University of Madras, Chennai, Dr. Rajayokiam, Principal (i/c), Thiagarajar College of Preceptors, Madurai and Dr. (Mrs.) Merlyn Sanders, Former Principal, Meston College of Education.





Mr. N.K. Ramesh, Deputy Registrar (i/c) Intellectual Property Appellate Board, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Chennai – 18 delivered the valedictory address and distributed the certificates to the participants of the seminar.



Ph.D. Public Viva-Voce Examination of the candidate Mrs. J. Jasmine Kamala Sunira, under the convenorship of Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar was held on 29.11.2016.



Mr. Charles Antony gave a talk on 'United Nations Day' on 24th October, 2016.

STAFF CREDENTIALS

- **Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar** served as the resource person in the panel discussion on the theme 'Synchronizing the School and College Curriculum' on 20th August, 2016, during the Seventh International Symposium organized by the Schram Teachers' Academy for Research and Training.
- **Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar** was the chief guest, during the 8th Graduation Day at T.D.T.A.D.S Daniel Rajammal College of Education, Ilanji , Tirunelveli District on 24th September, 2016.

- Our staff **Mr. R. Ruban John Thomas, Mrs. C. Jeba Evangeline and Dr. (Mrs.) A. Jeyantha Mary** attended a seminar cum workshop on ‘Treating Obesity through Diet and Yoga’ organized by Stella Matituna College of Education, Ashok Nagar, Chennai – 83 on 5th October, 2016.
- **Mrs. J. Johnsi Priya and Mrs. C. Jeba Evangeline** acted as Judges during ‘Science Project Day– 2016’ in Madras Christian College Higher Secondary School, Chennai on 14th October, 2016.
- **Dr. (Mrs.) Doreen Gnanam** attended Association of Christian Schools International meeting at Harrison Hotel, Chetpet, Chennai on 18th October, 2016.
- **Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar, Dr. (Mrs.) Doreen Gnanam , Dr. (Mrs.) C. Sherine Vinoca Snehalatha, Mrs. J. Johnsi Priya, Mr. I. Gnana Suderson, Mrs. C. Jeba Evangeline, Dr. (Mrs.) A. Jeyantha Mary and Dr. (Ms.) L. Annie Kavitha** presented papers in the National seminar on the theme, ‘Challenges of Teachers in Knowledge Society’ organized by Meston College of Education, Chennai – 14 on 25th October, 2016
- **Dr. P. Eugene Michael** attended orientation course at the Academic Staff College, University of Madras, Chennai – 5 from 4th to 29th November, 2016.
- **Dr. (Mrs.) A. Jeyantha Mary and Dr. (Ms.) L. Annie Kavitha** participated in the workshop on the theme ‘Human Values Development Programme’ organized by AIACHE at Women’s Christian College, Chennai on 17th and 18th November, 2016.
- **Dr. S. Devasahayam Selvakumar** attended Principals’ meet organized by AIACHE in Women’s Christian College, Chennai on 18th November, 2016.
- **Dr. (Mrs.) Doreen Gnanam** chaired a session in the workshop on ‘Facilitating Learning in Inclusive Education’ organized by Sathyasai B.Ed. College, Avadi, Chennai – 71 on 18th November, 2016.

EVENTS TO COME.....

- Teaching Practice – Phase I (Observation)
- Educational Tour to Kolkata and Darjeeling from 20th to 26th February, 2017
- Department Association Meetings.
- Field Visits / Sports Day / College Day.
- B.Ed. Phase II Practical Examination / Viva Voce Examination for M.Ed.

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