



Children's Day, observed on November 16th, was joyously celebrated with a morning assembly led by the teachers. They presented a captivating act on the theme of "Unity in Diversity," followed by entertainment, games and a display of healthy food to the students through dance and drama. The teachers also showcased a beautiful dance, concluding the program with a heartfelt message from our Principal, Sr. Teresa.



Christmas is a festive occasion well-known to every child on the St. Jude's campus. The vibrant decorations, adorned Christmas tree with gifts beneath, the prominent star on the roof top and most notably, Santa in his red fur coat, serve as significant attractions for all the children. In anticipation of the Christmas Day closure, a festive ambiance envelops the school as the management, along with teachers and students, busily engages in decorating the premises with colorful ornaments, illuminating the Christmas tree, and arranging gifts. Expressing Christmas greetings, the management conveys wishes of peace and joy for the children and their parents, emphasizing the significance of the newborn child Jesus. On the 23rd of December, the management organized a gathering for the teachers, featuring games, gift exchanges, a lucky draw, and a delightful meal accompanied by joyous laughter, sharing, and merriment. By 2 pm, everyone returned home, carrying with them the Christmas message.

# **Annual Sports Meet 'AMATEUR-2023'**





St. Jude's Hr. Sec. School hosted its Annual Sports Meet, 'AMATEUR - 2023,' on December 15, 2023. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Mr. Tarunendra Singh Baghel, ASP, Khargone, who served as the chief guest. Rev. Fr. Augustine.M, Administrator of Khandwa, presided over the event as the President, Distinguished guests of honor included Rv. Fr. Victor, Secretary of KDES, Rev. Fr. Jose George, Secretary of Khandwa Diocese and Mr. Shailendra Kanude, DEO, Khargone. The gathering was indeed fortunate to have such eminent personalities contributing to the success of the sports meet. The school management extended invitations to various esteemed personalities, fathers, sisters, and parents to witness the event. The program commenced with a welcome speech by the Manager, Rev. Fr. Shibu, followed by a dynamic display of the March Past. The first session featured remarkable performances by the primary students, including Prayer Dance, Smiley Dance, Butterfly Dance and Flag Dance. The second half was equally impressive, showcasing sequential walking, Taekwondo, the Himalayan Farol Dance and Christmas. A unique presentation of the school's Progress Report in the form of beautiful tableaus added to the grandeur of the event. The program concluded with a vote of thanks and the entire school singing the National Anthem.



This year, our school celebrated the 75th Republic Day with great enthusiasm and grandeur. The students took pride in glorifying and celebrating the spirit of unity. The joyous occasion was marked by widespread happiness, as it was a matter of pride for all of us to have our own constitution, making Bharat a Republic country. The program commenced at 7:30 AM, with Mrs. Archana Kandya, our esteemed ex-parent and the daughter of a former freedom fighter, serving as the Chief Guest of the day. The guest, accompanied by the Principal, presided over the flag unfurling ceremony conducted by our school band. Following the unfurling of the flag, the National Anthem resonated through the air, skillfully played by the band group. The choir group presented a soulful prayer song, and our Honorable Principal, Sr. Teresa, extended a warm welcome to the chief guest. Subsequently, a patriotic song was sung, adding to the patriotic fervor of the event.

#### PRINCIPAL'S DAY







The celebration of Principal Sr. Teresa's feast day at St. Jude Higher Secondary School was a heartwarming and meticulously planned event that brought together students, faculty, and staff to express their deep appreciation for her exemplary leadership and dedication. Held within the school premises, the celebration transformed the surroundings into a festive haven with vibrant decorations such as balloons, banners, and floral arrangements, creating an ambiance that radiated joy and gratitude. The event commenced with a warm welcome and opening remarks, emphasizing the significance of the day and extending gratitude for Sr. Teresa's valuable contributions to the school. A ceremonial cake cutting marked the official beginning of the celebration, with students and staff gathered to witness and partake in this symbolic moment. Throughout the celebration, heartfelt speeches were delivered by Manager Fr. Shibu, staff representatives, and students, expressing sincere gratitude and admiration for Principal Sr. Teresa. The speakers highlighted her exceptional leadership, compassionate nature, and the positive impact she has had on the school community. To infuse an element of entertainment, various cultural performances were organized, with students and teachers showcasing their talents in music, dance, and drama. These performances not only contributed to the festive atmosphere but also reflected the diverse talents within the school community. Principal Sr. Teresa received thoughtful gifts and tokens of appreciation from students and staff, including personalized items, flowers, and handmade cards expressing gratitude for her tireless efforts and inspirational leadership. This exchange of gifts symbolized the collective appreciation and affection the school community holds for Sr. Teresa. The feast celebration of Principal Sr. Teresa proved to be a resounding success, fostering a sense of unity and appreciation within St. Jude Higher Secondary School. Beyond commemorating Sr. Teresa's feast, the event served as a powerful reminder of the positive impact she has made on the school. The memories created during this celebration will undoubtedly endure as a testament to the warm and inclusive environment cultivated under Principal Sr. Teresa's exceptional leadership.

#### CHERISHING SCHOOL MEMORIES - A JOURNEY OF GROWTH

Memories have been an integral part of my life, much like they are for everyone else. We recall both the good and bad days that have passed. Among the cherished memories, one that stands out is undoubtedly my school life - considered by many as the best phase of our lives. School life is a golden period, a truly impactful chapter that holds immense significance. As a senior at our school, I, Taha Malviya, want to share my school life experience. My school journey was undoubtedly a learning experience, instilling in me confidence and motivation that I couldn't have gained elsewhere. It holds a special place as a treasure that brought invaluable joys into my life. From learning the alphabet to solving complex equations, my school life has been a transformative journey. It's where I found another significant half of my life - my friends, who have become my second family. They are always there to support me, whether in studies or any other challenges. My school life introduced me to the best teachers, mentors who stood by me, guiding my studies to ensure I achieved good results and had a successful academic year. To make my school life memorable, our school provided a structured environment that fostered personal growth and knowledge acquisition. It equipped us with essential skills, from critical thinking to teamwork. The diverse curriculum exposed us to various subjects, helping us discover individual interests and potential career paths. Teachers played a pivotal role in guiding our intellectual development and instilling a sense of discipline. The school environment facilitated social interaction, building friendships and a sense of community. Educational institutions serve as a foundation for future challenges, extending beyond academics to nurture holistic development and prepare individuals for a well-rounded life. Reflecting on my school life, I realize the importance of cherishing these moments, as they won't come back. I cannot forget my friends and teachers, who always guided me to do my best in life. Through this column, I have the privilege to express my gratitude and love. To my juniors and friends, I urge you to live your school life fully. Learn the best from it and enjoy the upcoming future. Make your teachers and parents proud, and remember to cherish the invaluable moments that will shape your life.

# Patron's Day





The celebration of Patron's Day commenced on the 28th of October, honoring St. Jude Thaddeus, the patron of our school. The day began with a prayer song, "Sing of the Lord's goodness," invoking the blessings of St. Jude on everyone associated with St. Jude's School. Following the morning assembly, we extended our gratitude to all our domestic workers, inviting them onto the stage in front of our students. In a heartfelt gesture, the management presented each domestic worker with a token of gratitude, acknowledging and appreciating their dedication, commitment, and hard work exhibited year after year. The round of applause and smiles from students spoke volumes, expressing gratitude to all the caretakers for their tireless efforts.



### **Educational School Tour 2024: Statue of Unity and Beyond**

The educational tour to the Statue of Unity and its environs proved to be a memorable experience for students ranging from classes IX to XII. The excursion not only provided insights into the architectural marvel of the statue but also delved into the life of the esteemed leader, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Amidst the learning, the journey was infused with plenty of fun and excitement. Students fostered connections by sharing snacks, engaging in games, and singing songs, making the entire travel experience enjoyable. The majestic view of the statue, coupled with the scenic beauty of the surroundings, left everyone in awe. Furthermore, this experience instilled a profound sense of national pride and unity among the students. In essence, the tour was a perfect blend of education and enjoyable moments, creating lasting memories for all. Classes LKG to VIII also enjoyed a one day outing to Dhamkheda and Fundore respectively, cherishing sweet memories of fun and togetherness.



रक्षाबंधन, हमारी संस्कृति का एक महत्वपूर्ण पर्व है जो भाई—बहन के प्यार और सम्मान को साझा करता है। यह पर्व हर साल आने वाले भाद्रपद मास की पूर्णिमा को मनाया जाता है एवं रक्षाबंधन का त्यौहार हमारे विद्यालय में भी छात्र—छात्राओं द्वारा बहुत ही धूमधाम से मनाया गया। छात्राओं ने छात्रों को कुमकुम का तिलक लगाकर हाथों में श्रीफल व मिठाई भेंट की, आरती उतार कर कलाईयों में राखी बांधकर उनके लिए मंगल कामना की। भाइयों ने अपनी बहनों की रक्षा का संकल्प दोहराते हुए उनको आकर्षक उपहार भेंट किए। कार्यक्रम के दौरान राखी के गीत भी प्रस्तुत किए गए। राखी प्रतियोगिता भी रखी गई, जिसमें बच्चों ने आकर्षक राखियाँ बनाई। इस मौके पर उपस्थित माननीय प्रधानाचार्या एवं शिक्षकगण ने भाई—बहन के इस अटूट रिश्ते को सदा बनाए रखने पर प्रकाश डाला एवं शुभकामनाएं दी।

# Farewell 2023-24: A Heartfelt Tribute to Beloved Seniors at St. Jude's Higher Secondary School



The Farewell event for the cherished seniors of St. Jude's Higher Secondary School in the academic year 2023-24 was an emotional and unforgettable occasion, marked by sincere expressions and heartfelt goodbyes. The venue, set in the Pre-primary school, was adorned with decorations that resonated with the spirit of nostalgia and gratitude.

Commencing with the rhythmic beats of the Dhol at the entrance, accompanied by traditional tilak, the event began with a warm welcome. The service prayer led by Principal Sr. Teresa served as a poignant start, highlighting the achievements and contributions of the departing seniors. This prayer symbolized the passing on of wisdom and knowledge from one generation to the next. Students took turns expressing their thoughts and emotions about the departing seniors, delivering speeches filled with admiration, recounting shared experiences, academic accomplishments, and personal growth witnessed during their time at St. Jude's.

The departing seniors were visibly moved as they listened to heartfelt tributes from their peers and mentors. Motivational talks by Rev. Fr. Shibu, the Manager, Rev. Sr. Teresa, Mrs. Franklin, and Mrs. Nidhi added an inspirational touch to the ceremony. To infuse entertainment and joy into the Farewell (2023-24), various performances, including dances and games, were organized by the juniors, creating an atmosphere of celebration. These performances reflected the unity and camaraderie that had developed among the students over the years.

Acknowledging outstanding seniors for their academic achievements, leadership qualities, and extracurricular contributions added a sense of pride and accomplishment. Personalized gifts were presented to these individuals, further enhancing the sentiment of appreciation. Interactive activities such as photo booths and memory walls were organized to encourage interaction and bonding, allowing students to capture and cherish the shared moments with friends and teachers.

The emotional peak of the Farewell was reached during the goodbye rituals. Seniors received tokens of remembrance, including customized mementos. The symbolic passing of the torch, signifying the transfer of responsibilities and legacy, and of course a delicious meal added a profound touch to the farewell.

In essence, the farewell event at St. Jude's Higher Secondary School served as a heartfelt tribute to the departing seniors, seamlessly blending elements of nostalgia, celebration, and gratitude. As they embark on new journeys, the memories and bonds forged at St. Jude's will undoubtedly remain etched in their hearts, creating a lasting connection to their alma mater.



#### 'Graduation - a Celebration of New Beginnings and Fond Farewells'



The UKG graduation marks a significant milestone for our tiny tots, symbolizing their inaugural step toward a future filled with possibilities and aspirations. In recognition of this momentous occasion, St. Jude's Pre Primary School organized a Graduation Day to honor the achievements of our young, enthusiastic learners and applaud their commendable performance throughout the session.

The proceedings began with a warm welcome from Rev. Fr. Shibu, the Manager, who greeted all the dignitaries present. The celebration unfolded with the Principal addressing the gathering, emphasizing the vision of our Honorable Guests. It was highlighted that every child is a reservoir of untapped potential, deserving a conducive environment to discover and explore. The role of parents and teachers in facilitating the students' learning process was underscored.

To add a delightful touch to the event, the children showcased their talents by singing melodious songs, dancing to foot-tapping numbers, and demonstrating the various skills they acquired throughout the year. The highlight of the celebration was the UKG students taking the stage as proud graduates. Their smiling faces were met with resounding applause, making it a joyous and memorable day for these little wonders as they received their well-deserved graduation certificates. This ceremony not only marked an end to their pre-primary journey but also symbolized the exciting new chapter that awaits them in their educational journey.

# परीक्षा-एक तैयारी

बच्चों की परीक्षा आने परमाता-पिता,शिक्षक, और बच्चे सभी के लिए एक महत्वपूर्ण समय होता है। इस समय में हमें अच्छी तरह से तैयारी करने के लिए प्राथमिकता देनी चाहिए। परीक्षा के समय हम सभी अपने अध्ययन को और ध्यान को एक नई ऊँचाई तक ले जाने के लिए मेहनत करते हैं। हम समझते हैं कि यह हमारे भविष्य के लिए महत्वपूर्ण है और हमें सही दिशा में ले जाने में मदद कर सकता है। परीक्षा समय में हमें अपनी तैयारी पर पूरा ध्यान देना चाहिए। हमें अपनी पढ़ाई को समय सारगर्भित करना चाहिए और प्रैक्टिस पेपर्स का अध्ययन करना चाहिए। सही दिशा, समय प्रबंधन, और स्ट्रेस प्रबंधन के उपायों का पालन करना महत्वपूर्ण है। सही आहार, पर्याप्त आराम, और नियमित व्यायाम प्रदर्शन क्षमता को बढ़ाने में मदद कर सकते हैं क्योंकि एक स्वस्थ दिमाग ही सही तरीके से सोचने और समस्याओं का हल निकालने की क्षमता प्रदान कर सकता है।बच्चों की परीक्षा एक महत्वपूर्ण संघर्ष है, जिसमें माता-पिता और शिक्षकों का समर्थन और प्रेरणा महत्वपूर्ण होती है। इस समय पर सकारात्मक औ रसंवेदनशील भावना बनाए रखना आवश्यक है। इसके अलावा परीक्षा के परिणाम के बाद माता-पिता को अपने बच्चों का समर्थन करना चाहिए, चाहे उनके परिणाम सकारात्मक हों या नकारात्मक । यह उन्हें संदेहों और चुनौतियों का सामना करने में मदद करेगा और उन्हें आगे की पढ़ाई में प्रेरित करेगा। अंत में परीक्षा केवल एक मापदंड नहीं है, बल्कि यह एक संवेदनशीलता की जांच भी है। हमें अपने उत्तरों को साफ और संवेदनशीलता से लिखना चाहिए। इससे हमें न केवल अधिक अंक मिलेंगे,बल्कि हमें एक सफल व्यक्ति के रूप में भी परिणाम मिलेगा।