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**PRAYER DANCE**  
DESAFIO MIRCHI MIX 2024

## DESAFIO *Mirchi Mix 2024...*

The most anticipated event of the year at any school, the Annual Day celebration, unfolded on the enchanting evening of December 21, 2024, at 5:00 PM. The festivities began with a warm welcome extended to our distinguished guests. The celebration was graced by the presence of several eminent dignitaries, including Rev. Dr. Thomas Kalariparambil, Provincial of the South West India Province (SWIP), MSFS as the President of the function; Dr. Mylswamy Annadurai, the "Moon Man of India," as the Chief Guest; and Guests of Honour Ms. Shamitha Malnad, a renowned playback singer and dentist, and Rev. Dr. Santhosh Kumar, Councillor in charge of Formation, SWIP. Also in attendance were Rev. Dr. Binu, Principal of SFS Degree College and Superior of the Mermier Bhavan Community; Rev. Fr. Joshy, Manager; Rev. Fr. Mijo Kulamkuthiyil, Finance Administrator; and the heads of various institutions under the SFS Group.

The celebration began with a formal welcome and a prize distribution ceremony honouring the school's meritorious students.

The cultural extravaganza Desafio: Mirchi Mix Two O Two Four was unveiled with a captivating video presentation which beautifully chronicled the remarkable journey of SFS Academy as it celebrated its 10th Anniversary. The evening was a vibrant and entertaining showcase, as students from grades I to X mesmerised the audience with their spirited performances, dynamic dances, impressive acts, dazzling costumes, and breathtaking stage sets.

The celebration concluded with an energetic Christmas-themed dance, marking the closing of 'Desafio 2024.' The unwavering efforts of the students and teachers brought the event to life, making it an unforgettable and resounding success.

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### Staff Secretaries' Message

The Annual Day in schools is a significant event that holds immense importance for students, teachers, and parents alike. Behind the screen, the Annual Day is a time when everyone at school gets to bond with their hearts, leaving aside all the tensions of academic and personal matters. It's indeed a special occasion for all students and staff to come together, have fun, and celebrate the spirit of the school community.

Preparing for Annual Day events offers students a unique chance to develop essential life skills, such as teamwork, communication, and time management. By learning these in a practical and fun way, students will be better equipped with event management skills to handle challenges in their personal and professional lives. These skills will benefit them in all aspects of life, from academics to profession and beyond.

We, SFS Academy indeed play a significant role in recognising and nurturing students' talents by providing a platform to showcase their skills and abilities. Every year we celebrate DESAFIO with music concerts, dances, drama and other activities based on a particular theme.

Along with this cultural extravagance, we recognise and reward our students and staff for their academic and non-academic achievements.



For us DESAFIO is not just a celebration; it's a reflection of our journey, a showcase of talent, and a promise of brighter tomorrow. We conclude our thoughts with a quote: "An annual day celebration is not just a spectacle, but a tapestry woven with the threads of hard work, dedication, and shared joy, reflecting the vibrant spirit of a community coming together to celebrate its accomplishments."

**Manavy Jayasurya and Nisha Siju**



SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

### Hindi Diwas

SFS Academy celebrated Hindi Diwas with a special assembly organised by the selected students of grades VI to X and the teachers of the Dept. of Hindi. To mark this occasion students put forth a skit and a few students presented their views on the occasion. The highlight of the celebration was a poem recitation by a student of grade I.



NOVEMBER 4, 2024

### ಕನ್ನಡವೇ ಸತ್ಯ ಕನ್ನಡವೇ ನಿತ್ಯ...

Kannada Rajyotsava was celebrated with great pride and enthusiasm. The Chief Guest of the day, Smt. Sumangala Murthy, a Kannada Poet, the Guest of Honor, Sri Parashivamurthy, Head Constable, Vermagal Police Station, Kolar Taluk, and the Principal were traditionally welcomed. The Chief Guest hoisted the state flag, and students melodiously sang Jaya Bharata Jananiya Tanujate.

The students spread the fragrance of the Kannada language with a skit, a character portrayal of Jnanpith Award winners and a spectacular dance performance depicting the rich culture of Karnataka.

### Celebrate their smile...

SFS Academy celebrated Children's Day to honour the spirit of childhood and to remind the importance of nurturing young minds. The programme began with a warm welcome to the students, followed by an inspiring speech by our Chief Guest, Rev. Fr. Vijoy. His words motivated to strive for excellence in all aspects of life.

The highlight of the celebration was the series of cultural programmes performed by teachers. It was heartwarming to see them step out of their usual roles to entertain and connect with the students in such a delightful way. There were songs, skits, and even dance performances, which had everyone cheering and clapping. Their efforts truly made the day special. The programme concluded with a heartfelt message from our Principal.



NOVEMBER 16, 2024





### *Reminiscing the past...*

SFS Academy successfully hosted Samavayana '24, the Annual Alumni Meet which brought together former students from various batches to reminisce, reconnect, and celebrate their shared experiences at the institution. Alumni expressed gratitude to the school in their speeches and the Chief Guest, Fr. P Maria Lawrence touched upon the significance of alumni connections in his address.

The meet showcased the vibrant cultural spirit of SFS Academy through a series of captivating performances, including a live band performance, solo songs, and group dances. Samavayana '24 provided ample opportunities for alumni to network, share experiences, and strengthen bonds. The meet ended with a delectable dinner.



### *Compete, conquer, celebrate...*

The opening ceremony of Esperanto '24, the Annual Sports Meet was graced by Ms. Surbhi BR, an international Netball player and Rev. Fr. Riju Vazhaparambil, msfs. Ms. Surbhi was selected to represent India in the Asian Youth Netball Championship in South Korea in 2023. The meet began with the unfurling of the school's sports flag, handing over of the sports torch to the Chief Guest and the house-wise march past led by the school cabinet. Then, the release of the coloured balloons into the sky signified the opening of the sports meet. The opening ceremony concluded with the prize distribution for the day's first event, 1500m running race, and extravagant dance performances. The day continued with the athletic events. On day 2, the houses competed against each other in group games. In the closing ceremony, Rev. Fr. D. Emmanuel Sathish, Professor, Suvidhya College presented the winners with medals and certificates. The overall championship was bagged by Ambitious Avengers (Yellow House) and Legendary Spartans (Red House) was the runner-up. In the end, the Principal thanked everyone for their presence and support and congratulated the students for their exceptional performances.



### *Hygiene is key to wellness*

A seminar on Hygiene and Grooming was conducted for the students of grades V to VIII. Dr Minu Rose Mani, Senior Resident, Dept. of Community Medicine, St. Johns Medical College, Koramangala was the resource person.



### *Learning for life*

Various clubs at SFS Academy provide students with the opportunities to bring out their best in literary, cultural and scientific aspects, through the values of sharing, cooperation and teamwork. Students took part in club activities like puppet making, clay modelling, collage making, poster making, first-aid kit making, math bingo, symposium, bot builder, EVM model making, etc.



### *Encouraging interdisciplinary learning*

To integrate artistic expression and creativity with academic content, art-integrated activities like, clay modelling, fashion show, puppet making, poem recitation, etc. on different themes were conducted for grades I to X.



## Kinder joys



SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

### Every farm has a story to tell...

LKG students were taken for a field trip to Sudheervana Farm, Kodathi.



NOVEMBER 4, 2024

### Namma Karnataka janma dina shubhodhayalu!

To celebrate the day of pride and cultural unity of Karnataka, the young students expressed their joy through thumb printing, leaf printing and vegetable printing on the outline map of Karnataka.



SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

### Safe and sound: All about me...

Kindergarten students completed a worksheet on good and bad touch. This activity helped them understand that they are in control of their own body and encouraged them to talk about any inappropriate touch with a trusted adult.



NOVEMBER 15 - 16, 2024

### Try, strive and thrive...

The Cultural and Literary Fest was the most anticipated and exuberant event which showcased the talents of the little ones.



OCTOBER 29, 2024

### A celebration of seasons and festivals...

The students wore vibrant ethnic attire representing various Indian states, showcasing their love for the rich cultural heritage. They engaged in collage making on the Indian map to highlight different festivals and watched an informative video on festive traditions.



DECEMBER 2 - 6, 2024

### Dream it, train for it, achieve it...

The opening ceremony of Esperanto '24, the Kindergarten Sports Meet, was graced by the presence of Ms. Boomika MG, a national-level Softball and Basketball player. She declared the meet open and encouraged the students to be enthusiastic and demonstrate good sportmanship. The meet commenced and students participated in various sports like relay race, balloon balancing, ball balancing, running race, hurdle race, ice cream race, etc. In the closing ceremony Fr. Johnson awarded and appreciated the winners. Ambitious Avengers (Yellow House) and Legendary Spartans (Red House) won the championship and Invincible Samurais (Blue House) secured the runner-up position.



## Give a 'hear - hear'

### Cricket

#### BTR SCHOOL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

Karnataka State Cricket Association

In the Under 14 category, the team won 4 matches in Division 3.



### Music

#### VIVE LE VENT CAROL COMPETITION 2024

Christ Academy

The choir team secured first place in Vive Le Vent Carol Competition 2024 organised by Christ Academy.

### Football



#### GRASSROOTS LEAGUE

Fédération de Sports Association

The team secured the Runner-up position.

Two students also achieved individual awards:

- Best Goalkeeper: Nevin Paul Mathew (7F)
- Best Player: Sam Pritesh (7D)

The Under 14 team secured 1st place and the Under 12 team was the runner-up.

Three students received special awards:

- Under 12 Best Player: Sam Pritesh (7D)
- Under 14 Top Scorer: Aryan V. Nair (7D)
- Under 14 Best Keeper: Nevin Paul Mathew (7F)

#### INTERSCHOOL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

BS International School, Electronics City



#### INTERSCHOOL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Euro School, Whitefield

The Under 12 Boys were the runners up and the Under 10 Boys were the quarter finalists.



### Badminton

#### BADMINTON SPARDA TOURNAMENT

Amaatra Academy, Haralur

Hema Tapasvi (8E) secured first place in the Under 14 Girls category.





**KALAYAATRA 2024**

Euro School, Bannerghatta

The dance, art and music team participated and won many prizes in Kalayaatra 2024.

**Dance****Level 1**

Group Western Dance - 1st Place

Solo Western Dance - 2nd Place - Sanvi N (4D)

Solo Classical - 1st Place - Srishti (4D)

**Level 2**

Group Western Dance - 3rd Place

Group Classical Dance - 3rd Place

Solo Classical Dance - 3rd Place - Dhyuti (5E)

Solo Western Dance - 1st Place - Aryan (7D)

- 3rd Place - Shambhavi (7C)

- Dhvani (5E)

**Level 3**

Group Western Dance - 2nd Place

Solo Western Dance - 1st Place - Ananya (9A)

**Art****Level 2**

2nd Place - Dhanya Shree (8C)

3rd Place - Ananya Anish (8B)

**Level 3**

2nd Place - Reet Singh (9D)

3rd Place - Sai Swaroop (9A)

**Music****Level 1**

Solo Singing - 1st Place - Zanna (1A)

Group Western Song - 1st Place

**Level 2**

Solo Instrumental - 1st Place - Rick (8D)

- 3rd Place - Juvel (7B)

Group Instrumental Western - 1st Place

Group Classical Song - 1st Place

Group Western Song - 1st Place

**Level 3**

Solo Singing - 3rd Place - Nandakrishna (9B)

Solo Instrumental - 2nd Place - Remiel (9A)

- 3rd Place - Savya (9D)

Group Western Song - 1st Place







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