



ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE, CHERTHALA
STUDENT CENTRIC METHODS

Participative Learning

1. Group Discussions

i. Reading Day Observation

To observe this year's Reading Day, the Department of English arranged a slew of programmes. The objective of the programmes were not only to improve the reading skills of the students but also to generate interest for reading in them. A book donation campaign was initially conducted in the department in which the teachers and students actively participated. More than 500 pre-owned readable books were collected as part of this drive. With this collection a Mini Library was also installed in the department. The library was inaugurated by the renowned writer P. J. J. Antony on the 21st of June, 2022. An essay writing competition titled "Inked Thoughts" was also conducted in association with Hindi and Malayalam departments. 19 students from different disciplines participated in the competition held on 21/06/2022. Besides all these, the department also took initiative to encourage a class to subscribe to The Hindu newspaper. The 2021-24 batch took up this initiative and have currently subscribed to the national daily.

ii. Awareness Class on Gender



The Department of Botany in association with Department of Zoology organized a Gender Awareness class on 15.11.2022. The programme was presided by the Principal Dr. Sindhu S. Nair. Ms. Sruthi Krishna, Research Scholar and Sexuality Educator, School of Social Science, University of Gujarat was the resource person. 63 students and the faculty of the Department of Zoology attended the programme. The programme was a successfully incorporated the theoretical knowledge with social life of the students.



iii. Study and intervention on impact of electronic devices on physical health

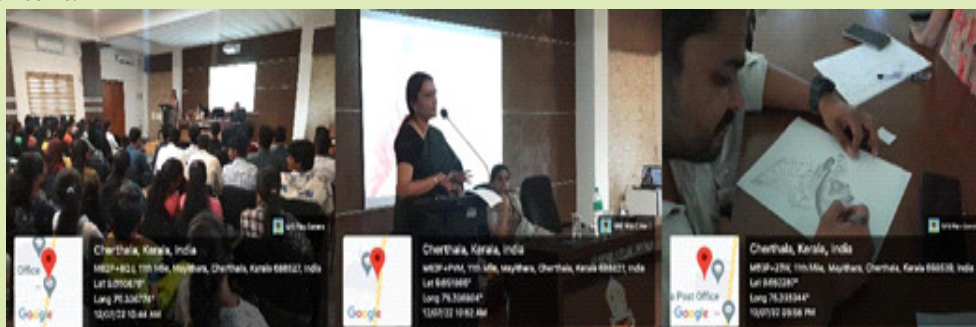
As a part of the BVoc Education Extension Programme (BEEP), a societal intervention through a study and awareness programme on over use of IT gadgets among primary school students was carried out. The nearby school namely Little Flower UP school was selected for the study. A preliminary discussion was made with the with the Head Mistress and school teachers and then decided to conduct a primary survey among Class 7 students for identifying the issues. Based on the survey conducted by the second and third year BVoc SD students through google forms, it was learned that the use of mobile phones had a high degree of correlation with the physical health of students. Many students exhibited orthopaedic issues and low eye sightedness. As a final step, an awareness programme was conducted on October 27th 2022 by a team lead by Dr. Sijo, specialist in physiotherapy and sports medicine along with Dr. Antony Kuriakose P., Head of the Department, faculty members Ms Pimmy Mathews and Ms Lakshmy M. and 10 selected students.



iv. World Malala Day Observation

The Department of English observed World Malala Day on the 12th of July, 2022. This day was celebrated to salute the Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai, who works for women's right to education. A One Day Seminar was organized as part of the day's observance. Dr. Harsha Viswanath, Asst. Prof. of English, M. S. M. College, Kayamkulam, was the resource person for the seminar and she spoke on "Wounds and Words: Exploring Trauma Through Literature". She spoke about numerous other victims, along with Malala, who had to confront similar trauma in their lives and who chose words as a media to convey the mental trauma they experienced.

The day also witnessed two other important events. One is the screening of the world popular documentary *He Named Me Malala* and a drawing competition on the theme 'Education for All'. The department also distributed certificate and cash prize to the winner of the Essay Writing Competition that was held in association with the Language Departments in connection with National Reading Day. The day's programmes turned out to be an eye-opener for the students. They were enlightened on various issues that women confront in the global scenario and how education can resolve many of them to an extent.





Capacity Enhancement Workshop

The Department of English in association with the Career Guidance and Placement Cell of the college and KITES Foundation, a not-for-profit, non-governmental organization based in Kochi, organized a Capacity Enhancement Workshop for select students of the college on the 10th of October, 2022, from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The event was organized as a part of the Campus Ideathon programme, which is a flagship programme of the foundation. The event titled The Future Project (TFP) intends to enhance youths' potential by involving them in various kinds of activities like Group Discussion, Brainstorming, Ideas Sharing, Project Execution etc. Claire, one of the founders of the foundation, led the session. The participants of the event received a great boosting to engage in socially and ecologically relevant activities. Some of the ideas discussed in the event were taken up for implementation by the Department of English.



v. A discussion on career guidance and opportunities in the field of electronics and communication

On 21st April 2022, B.Voc Software Development conducted a talk on career guidance and opportunities in the field of electronics and communication for students with non-electronics background. Professor Dr. Alex P James, Digital University Kerala led the class. It was followed by a Q&A session in which students clarified their doubts.

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Date : 21-April-2022
Time : 10:00am - 11:30am

Resource person
Professor Dr. Alex P James
Digital University kerala

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