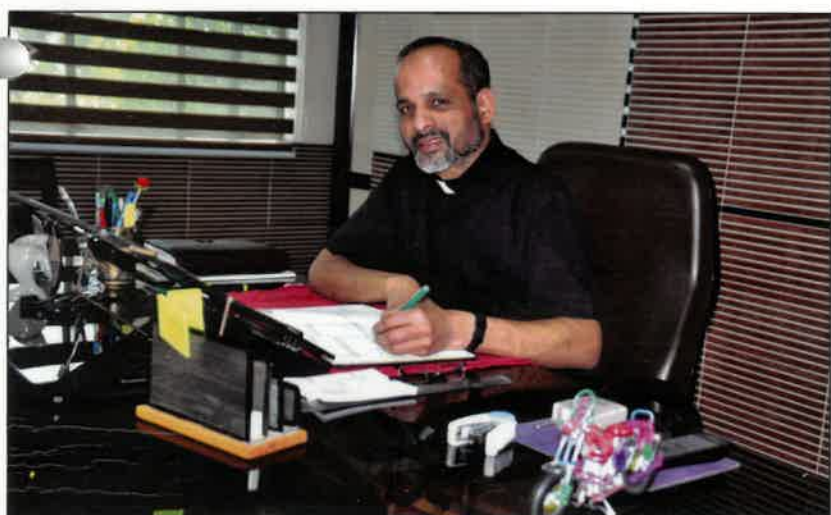




Xavier's Chronicle

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From the Principal's Desk...



A bouquet of activities filled the basket of St. Xavier's in the 2nd term of 2018-19. The term began with a number of excursions that the school planned. Students had a wonderful learning experience.

Xavierites hosted the 2nd MUN which gave a platform to all the budding intellectuals to showcase their abilities and creative skills.

From workshops to Children's Day to

Xavier's Idol; every event brought new charm to the calendar.

December brought the colour of winter and Christmas. I applaud the efforts of my students for making Christmas celebrations so warm and colourful.

In all the merriment we bid farewell to class XII and wished them success.

As head of this family, I extend my gratitude to all my team members for the success of every event whether it was Kindergarten function 'Sanskriti' or multiple excursions. As we end this remarkable session, we look forward to achieving more milestones in the year ahead.

As we treasure this year in our fond memories, I wish everyone in my Xavier's family and extended family good luck for future.

*Fr. Eulalio Fernandes
Principal*

"A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies....The man,who never reads lives only one,"

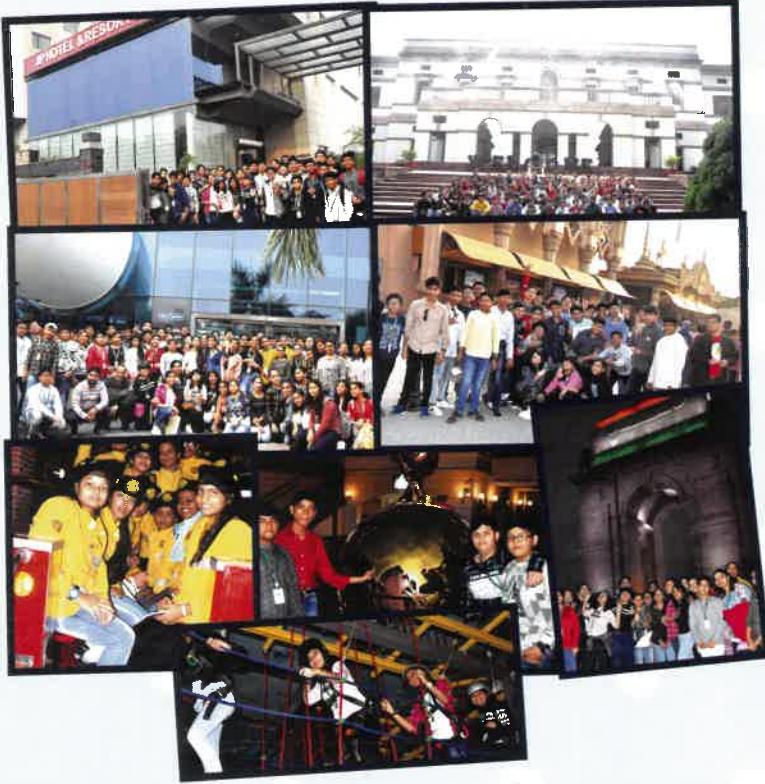
George R.R. Martin



A book fair was organized in the school premises in collaboration with Scholastic India Pvt. Ltd. Books from various genres were displayed. Avid readers of our school bought books according to their preference and were seen making their shopping lists.... craving for more!

"Books are a uniquely portable magic and in case of good books, the point is not to see how many of them you can get through, rather how many can get through to you."

"Travel makes you realize that no matter how much you know theres always more to learn"



A number of tours and excursions were organized for various classes in this academic session. The students of grade 6 visited Chhatbir zoo & Elante Mall at Chandigarh. The students of 7th & 8th visited Akshardham temple, Kidzania & the capital city -New Delhi. The students of class 12th enriched their learning experience with their visit to the Pink city-Jaipur learning about the cultural heritage of this royal city.



The second edition of St. Xavier's Model United Conference was held in the school premises for a span of three days with the theme-"Prakriti Rakshati Rakshita"- Nature Protects if She is Protected. Over 300 delegates from more than 15 schools participated in this global event. The opening ceremony of the event was graced by the Dean (College Instructions) Govt. Post Graduate College for Girls-Prof. Kushal Pal Singh Shante. The Principal, Rev. Fr. Eulalio Fernandes addressed the delegates and handed over the gavels to the chairpersons of the various committees. The Secretary General, Ashutosh Gupta declared the MUN open with striking of the gavel. The delegates debated and deliberated over various issues of national and international concerns. The conference enhanced the public speaking and leadership skills of the delegates. The closing ceremony marked the end of the conference which was graced by Col. Rajesh Grover as the Chief Guest and Rev. Fr. Sonny Furtado as the Guest of Honour. Prizes were given by the esteemed guests to the delegates who emerged as winners in the various committees. The Chief of Staff, Raghavendra Singh Shekhawat proposed the vote of thanks and the Director General, Avish Elvis declared the SXMUN Conference 2018 closed.



"Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful."



"Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing, but of reflection"- Winston Churchill

Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year. Dreaming of Santa, opening gifts under the tree, the colours of Christmas-red, white and green spread over a vast expanse...the candy sticks on the Christmas tree! Nevertheless, Christmas is the time to care and share, spreading the Christmas cheer all around. The students of the school had a fun time celebrating Christmas in the school. The hobby clubs namely Picasso, Mozart, Ann Miller and Shakespeare took on the reigns of decorating the stage and presenting an entertaining stage programme in their hands. The arrival of Santa Claus put a smile on every face. The students also visited Prayas International School-a school for the under privileged children along with the Principal, Rev. Father Eulalio Fernandes to spread the Christmas cheer and distributed gifts and sweets to them.

A number of competitions like crib making, Christmas tree decoration, board decoration, candle decoration, gift wrapping, floral arrangements etc were organized to set a festive mood. A beautiful crib made by the staff members was a treat for the onlookers and it added to the beauty of the school campus.



An inter house PPT making competition was organized for class 8 students making them confident young boys and girls. The presentations made by them reflected upon their calibre of making excellent power point presentations along with their research work and knowledge about the topic.

From Acorns to Mighty

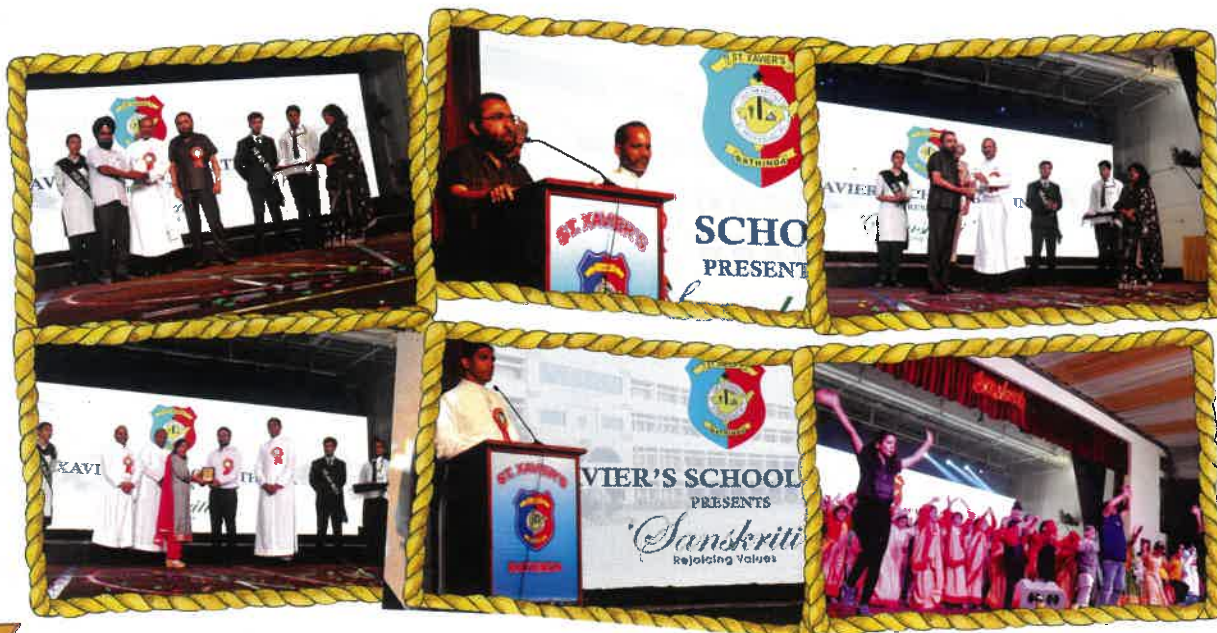
*Leo Buscaglia rightly said, "Your talent is God's gift to you.
What you do with it is your gift back to God."*



Oaks They'll Grow.....



The students of Junior wing of our school exhibited their inherent talent through their Annual Function-'Sanskriti-Rejoicing Values'. This remarkable show conveyed a heart warming message of 'values-the essence of our being' and was choreographed by Mr. Deep Sarkar of Scor Cancian Events. The event was graced by the Chief Guest -Mr. Parneet Bhardwaj, District Commissioner of Bathinda and the Guest of Honour-Mr.Karanjit Singh Sidhu, owner of the Pavilion Hotel. Mesmerising performances by the tiny tots enthralled the audience. They looked adorable in their bright and colourful attires. The Manager of the school, Rev. Father Adrian Fernandes addressed the august gathering. The Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour felicitated the academic toppers of 2017-18 of class 10th and 12th.Mementoes of gratitude were presented to the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour by the Principal, Rev. Father Eulalio Fernandes. Vote of thanks was proposed by Devansh Brar of 3B and Raghav of 2E along with the Head boy of the school, Raghavendra Singh Shekhawat. The programme concluded with the National Anthem.



Workshops & Seminars



A creative writing workshop was organized by Scholastic India Pvt. Ltd. for the students of grade 5 to hone their creative writing skills. The resource person, Ms Shikha Sood from Chandigarh took the students through an interesting journey of various creative writing exercises. The students had fun while they learnt.

Rev. Father Jerry- a perfect example of 'simple living & high thinking' interacted with the teaching faculty of the Junior wing and the High school and conducted a seminar on making teaching an interesting medium to make a difference in the lives of Gen. Next. He emphasized that, "By teaching a single child a teacher educates an entire generation." He quoted some interesting real life examples. The seminar was thoroughly enjoyed by the teaching faculty and it was a wonderful learning experience for everyone.



A career counselling seminar was organised for the students of grade 11 by the IDP University. It was an interactive session and the students asked their queries from the resource person regarding the various career prospects.

A seminar on NCC was organized for the students of grade 8. Cdr Naresh Kumar of 3 Naval NCC Punjab addressed the students and briefed them about Navy and NCC. The career prospects for the cadets of NCC were also discussed during the seminar. It was an interactive seminar and the students asked their queries which were patiently answered by the officer. A number of students showed keen interest to join the NCC.



To ensure error free examination and evaluation the CBSE has given a new set of guidelines to all the CBSE affiliated schools. Rev. Father Eulalio Fernandes addressed the students and the teaching faculty. He also briefed them about the new guidelines of the CBSE for the AISSE and AISSCE.

"The children of today will make the India of tomorrow." - Jawaharlal Nehru

Also known as 'Bal Diwas', Children's Day commemorates the birth anniversary of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India. Referring to the children he exclaimed once, "The way we bring them up will determine the future of the country". He always emphasised on the education of children. On 14th November, Children's Day was celebrated in the school premises. A special assembly was conducted by the teachers and a no. of competitions were organized for the students. It was a day which was cherished by all the students as it took them away from the mundane of their daily school schedule.



*"Freedom in Mind, faith in words
Pride in our Heart, memories in our Souls.
Saluting the bravehearts on this Republic Day."*

The staff members expressed their love and gratitude for their Motherland by getting together in the school premises on 26th January. The Principal, Rev. Father Eulalio Fernandes hoisted the tricolour and addressed all the staff members. In his address he acknowledged the sacrifices made by our defence forces. Mrs Ginni Kamra gave a speech on the importance of Republic Day. The National Anthem was sung in chorus by all the staff members.

" Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything."

Yet another season of Xavier's Idol was organized in the school premises. It was an inter- Xavier's School competition. Students from Xavier's Hisar, Mansa, Sirsa, Rampuraphul, Mandi Dabwali & Bathinda participated in this musical extravaganza. The Jazz Band from the Sixth Battalion of 11 Gorkha Rifles set the mood and pace of the competition with the song "Summer of Sixty Nine". The Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Sonny Furtado graced the occasion with his presence. Mr. Sunil Seth, Mr. Vinod Sharma and Mr. Lakhwinder Singh were the esteemed judges for the event. Ashmit Singh of St. Xavier's, Sirsa bagged the title of Xavier's Idol in the under 14 category and Meghna Maria from our school was the winner in the under 18 category. All the participants enthralled the audience with their spectacular and melodious performances. Rev. Fr. Eulalio Fernandes gave a power packed performance along with our Music teacher Mr. Sukhbir Singh.



A felicitation ceremony was organised to honour and felicitate our sports achievers. Our students have made their mark in various sports tournaments at District, State and National level. The ceremony was graced by the Manager- Rev. Fr. Adrian Fernandes, the Parish Priest- Rev. Fr. Sonny Furtado and the Principal- Rev. Fr. Eulalio Fernandes. Certificates of appreciation and medals were given to the winners.



A farewell-'Āpracchana-Bidding Adieu' was organized for the students of class 12th. The programme commenced with the lamp lighting ceremony by the Head boy and the Head girl along with the Principal. The students of class 11th expressed their love and respect for their seniors by presenting an entertainment show. The Manager, Rev. Fr. Adrian Fernandes addressed the class 12th students emphasizing on the 3Gs in their life. 'Great', 'Grateful' and 'Good'! i.e. being great .. being grateful for everything and above all being a good human being.

The contestants of Ms Xavierite and Master Xavierite 2018-19 faced a flurry of questions

from the judges. The Principal, Rev. Fr. Eulalio Fernandes addressed the class 12th students and wished them good luck for the Board Examination and all their future endeavours. Class 12th students expressed their love and affection for their teachers and the school through their creative poetry and speeches. Gurleen Kaur of Humanities stream was crowned Ms Xavierite. The title of Master Xavierite was shared by the Head boy, Raghavendra Singh Shekhawat and the Deputy Head boy, Ahsaas Singla...both from the Commerce stream. The programme concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by the Head Girl, Prachi.



Mr. Gregory, fondly addressed as 'Gauri Bhaiya' by young and old, students and teachers....was given a befitting farewell for dedicating 34 years of hard work, sincerity, honesty and his time to the school. The Manager and the Principal of the school wished Mr. Gregory good luck for his future and thanked him for his tireless service towards the school.

We Miss You

" Perhaps they are not stars but rather openings in heaven where the love of our lost ones shines down to let us know they are happy."

With profound grief and deep sorrow we deeply regret the sudden demise of our dear students, Ravneet Kaur of 9A and Raminder Singh grade 12 Commerce. Our prayers are with the bereaved. May the Lord grant eternal peace to the departed souls and the strength to their families to bear this irreparable loss. Ravneet and Raminder will be missed by all the students and staff members.

" The journey doesn't end here. Death is just another path that we all are bound to take."



Ravneet Kaur
IX-A

(17 Sept 2004 - 24 Jan. 2019)



Raminder Singh
XII-C

(21 Jan 2001-10th Feb. 2019)

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