

School Annual Report - 2018-19

Good Evening Everyone,

Honourable Chief Guest Mrs. Saloni Rai – Director of Education, technical education and Skill Development of the UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli. Our Guest of Honour Rev. Fr. Hilario Fernandes, Provincial Superior, Mumbai Province, Rev. Fr. Victor D’Souza – Manager of the school, Rev. Fr. Martinho Alvares – the Provincial Treasurer, distinguished guests, special invitees, Rev. Fathers, Sisters, Parents, Well – Wishers and all present here,

I take this opportunity to convey my warmest greetings to you and welcome you all to our IX Annual Day today. We are indeed grateful that you have spared your precious time from your busy schedule to be with us this evening. Your presence is a great source of motivation and encouragement to the school.

One more year has been added to the glorious saga of St. Xavier’s School, Silvassa. I am proud to say that the school has escalated to a great horizon of success and today it is seen as one of the tallest institution of the entire UT. It has become a bench mark to measure the holistic progress of the students and also a centre which creates responsible citizens for tomorrow. The school’s patron St. Francis Xavier after whom the school is named is a scholar par excellence who dedicated his life for teaching and grooming young minds.

From its humble commencement in 2008 St. Xavier’s School, has established itself as a premier institution of learning, providing quality education with 1265 students on its roll and 75 teaching and non – teaching staff members serving the institution through their hard work and selfless service.

I consider it my proud privilege to be associated with such a prestigious institution and present a report on the school happenings for the academic year 2018-19.

In educating today’s youth we cannot afford to lose sight of the fact that we must teach them to tackle with the problems of their generations, their society and their world. Yesterday’s solution to today’s problem would not suffice. The students / youth of today need to be readied for the global stage – a generation of young people who are thinkers, inquirers, articulate and confident to take the world stage and compete with the best brains in the world. This is exactly what we aim at St. Xavier’s School. We wish to make education at our school a “Total” Experience where students participate in all school activities with enthusiasm, mutual trust, sharing and yet actively involve themselves with community service projects and retain the capacity and creativity to adapt themselves to the needs of the time without sacrificing the good and time honoured ideals and moral values.

Academics is the soul of a school and we have reasons to be happy on this count. The school has remained successful in maintaining its reputation which gets reflected every year through the outstanding performances of the students at the CBSE Board Examinations. **Master Rohit Salunke brought laurels to the institution by securing 95% at the CBSE Board Examination 2017-18.** The overall performance of the students at the Board Exams was quite satisfactory.

Besides excelling in academics, it gives us immense satisfaction that our students have also been very active in the field of co-curricular activities which brings out the potential of the students and kinders a creative spirit within them. Every academic year various Inter-House Competitions are organized which help in the development of the cognitive, affective and inter – personal skills of our students.

Under the able stewardship of our teachers students of St. Xavier's School have excelled at number of Inter School Competitions from time to time. The noteworthy achievements of our students in the present academic year are as follows.

- * At the National Science Seminar our students Chelsi Purohit bagged the 3rd place.
- * St. Xavier's Junior team as well as the senior team bagged the first place in the elocution competition based on wild life conservation, organized by the forest Department.
- * Master Omkar Nadkarni represented our UT for the National Kabaddi tournament held at
- * Master Cyrus Narulbhai Saiyad got the runners up trophy in U.T. Level Inter – School Table Tennis Competition.
- * Miss. Poojanaidu Addala won the 3rd place in the poetry writing at the UT level Moonson Magic festival.
- * Our quiz team bagged the 3rd place in the Hindi Quiz competition conducted by the Lion's School, Silvassa.
- * Our school Singing team bagged the 3rd position at the Inter- School Patriotic singing competition held at Gyanmata School, Khanwel
- * Miss. Leona Pereira and Master Pratham bagged the 2nd prize in the Inter – School Elocution competition conducted by O.L. of Help School, Silvassa.
- * Master Akshant Nair, Master Arnav Nair and Master Aditya Kumar bagged the Champions at the Inter school Elocution Competition conducted by St. Mary's School, Chanod, Vapi.

* At the Inter school Play competition organized by Fr. Agnelo School, Silvassa our school bagged the runners up trophy.

* On 11th October we were privileged to host the 1st UT level selection for National School Games 2018-19

* It is my immense pleasure to announce that around 25 students of our school are selected for the various National Level Athletic and games Competition and will be soon leaving for Delhi, Bhopal and Jammu & Kashmir. We wish them best of luck.

The Xavierites also hold the record of participating in various competitive exams, inter- school patriotic song competition, Visual Arts & dance competition, essay competition, elocution competition, Hindi essay and poetry competition etc.

St. Xavier's School also gives special attention to bring out the humane qualities among the students. Students are honed to develop sensitivity towards the environment and to become aware about their social duties and responsibilities. Significant Days are celebrated and number of activities are conducted like tree plantation, Cleanliness activities alongside various philanthropic activities towards the tribal children.

To positively channelize young minds various sports activities are held throughout the year and students are encouraged to participate in various Inter School sports Events. Every Year Inter - School Football Tournament is held at the premise of St. Xavier's School where our students leave the mark through their sports and athletic skills.

To keep up with the Modern Technological Advancements St. Xavier's School has state – of – the – art administrative arrangements, the school website, audio visual room, school auditorium, thus making it the school of choice for discerning parents.

It cannot be denied that the field of education is undergoing a silent revolution. Hence to keep up with the times St. Xavier's School has introduced a complete digital education system for the students of Std. I to Std. X, which has made the process of learning enjoyable to all. To understand, analyze and solve various behavioral problems related to adolescence as well as to guide the students to know their aptitudes, career guidance and counseling programmes are held in the school premise from time to time. So also special educators and Counsellors are appointed in the school. Professional development of teachers is also an ongoing programme at our school. To keep them updated with the latest in their respective fields, teachers are sent to attend various seminars and workshops and ensure that all this update gets translated into more effective and better teaching & learning in the classrooms.

We have fulfilled some of our dreams for our students but there are many which are yet to be materialized. We want to provide our students the best of the best facilities. Many new programmes and plans of action are there for the future. However nothing new can be implemented successfully without the whole hearted support and co-

operation of the parents and the well – wishers. Hence we expectantly look forward to you dear parents and well wishers for your help and support to fulfill our missions and our vision.

I would like to place on record my most sincere thanks to our wonderful teaching staff for their unflinching dedication, support and co-operation and for making things happen very efficiently and smoothly at the school.

So also the administrative staff who work tirelessly towards the dynamic functioning of the office, maintaining the records intact and in a meticulous way. Last but not the least my sincere thanks to the entire team of support staff for their behind the scene work to keep the school environment tidy and presentable.

I hereby conclude by acknowledging my deepest gratitude to the Society of Pilar, for the support and concern, to the Provincial Superior and the Local Superior for their constant guidance and care. We are highly indebted to the Education Dept., Members of Municipal Council, Police Dept., Fire Dept., and all other civil authorities, benefactors and well – wishers for their unconditional support and help.

In a very special way we are grateful to our Honourable Chief Guest Mrs. Saloni Rai – Director of Education, technical education and Skill Development of the UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli, for gracing the occasion and sparing time from her busy schedule. Thank You Ma'm. I also express my heartfelt thanks to our Guest of Honour Rev. Fr. Hilario Fernandes for his precious presence with us. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all the Fathers, Sisters, Distinguished Guests, Parents and all of you present here to make today's grand event a successful one.

A special thanks goes to the Jai Ganesh who took up the responsibility of providing security, Mr. Vaishali Decorates for the Mandap & Lighting, Mr. Joeboy for the Sound System for this event.

We are aware of the great trust you have reposed in us dear parents and it will be our constant endeavour to live upto your expectations of us. Once again I thank you all for your support, co –operation and help for achieving our educational goals and sustain towards further success in the future.

“One world, One dream” was our running theme today wherein each section was allotted a sub-theme which helps in bringing this theme into realization. Some of the areas presented today by our students must have surely touched your heart of making our world a better place to live in for the generations to come. Let us all give it a helping hand in making this world **“One world”** come true.

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GOD BLESS YOU ALL.