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HENRY BAKER COLLEGE MELUKAVU

Debate Club

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19

FROM DARKNESS INTO MARVELLOUS LIGHT

Henry Baker College, Melukavu Is a Christian, Minority, Co-Educational, Governmentaided Arts and Science College Established In 1981, affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala.

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Annual Report 2018-2019

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Debate Club of Henry Baker College Melukavu, organized the competitions to ensure the active participation of all the students in the college. Every debater gets an opportunity to speak at the podium in presence of the audience consisting of interested students, encouraging teachers and expert Judges in the college. The participants are not only trained, guided and supervised during the preparation but also receive constructive comments from the judges on their speeches.

The Debate Club of Henry Baker College commenced its activities of the year 2018-19 by conducting a debate on the topic "Are private schools better than public schools?" on 18th September 2018 in the college Auditorium at 4.00 p.m. Principal Dr. Gireesh Kumar G S delivered an inaugural speech and Prof Paul Mathews delivered the welcome speech. Dr. Santo Jose, Assistant professor, Department of Commerce, Henry Baker College Melukavu, served as the Moderator of the debate. The Judges were Prof. Ajitha V R, Department of Hindi, Prof. Beena Paul, Department of History and Prof. Justin Jose, Department of Commerce. Both side presented their points. Arguments from both the sides raised their

strong points in the debate. Many believed that public school is better than private school. While, others accepted that private school is better. There were fourteen participants. The Department of history and Department of Commerce won the first and second prizes respectively.

A debate on the topic "Social media has improved human communication" was held on 12th February 2019 at the Seminar Hall at 4.00 pm.. Prof. Soumya Paul, Assistant professor, Department of Malayalam, Henry Baker College was the moderator. Prof. Paul Mathews, Department of English, Prof. Ajitha V R, Department of Hindi and Dr. Santo Jose, Department of Commerce were the judges. Eighteen students actively participated in the debate. The supportive side argued that social media has improved human communication. But the opposing side argued that it has made language lazy and thus resulting people uninterested in meeting others in person. The students of the Department of English and History secured the first and second prizes.


