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Malayala Samajam

ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-20

FROM DARKNESS INTO MARVELLOUS LIGHT

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MALAYALA SAMAJAM: ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020

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DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMMES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020

Vayanadinam/Day of Reading Celebrations

Malayalam Samajam celebrated Vayanadinam on 30 July 2019. Dr.Gireesh Kumar G S, our Principal, inaugurated the programme and addressed the gathering.

Let us Read and Grow

"വായിച്ചാലുംവളരുംവായിച്ചില്ലെങ്കിലുംവളരും വായിച്ചാല് വിളയും, വായിച്ചില്ലെങ്കില് വളയും"

["We shall grow if read and shall grow if not

And shall fruitful if read and shall bow if not"]

"The lines of Kunjunni Mash come to my mind this Reading Day", our Principal Dr. Gireesh Kumar said in his inaugural address. "Everyone thinks that whether there is any need for such a day. A reading Day for remembrance, we can say! We may not remember what we read first in our life and who taught us to read, even then there are a lot to remember in this Day of Reading" our Principal continued his words.

A number of people like Kumaranashan, Vallathol, Basheer, O N V Kuruppu, Madhavikutty, etc. cherished and enriched the taste of reading. Puthuvayil NarayanaPanicker (P N Panicker) is known as the Father of the Library Movement in Kerala. The activities of the Kerala Grandhasala Sanghom which was initiated by P N Panicker ignited a popular cultural movement in Kerala at the end of which we acquired total literacy in the 1990s. At last the Government of Kerala stepped in to accept the contributions of P N Panicker and ordered to observe 19 June annually as Vayanadinam (Day of Reading) with a week-long series of activities at educational and public institutions to honour the contributions of P N Panicker to the cause of literacy, education and library movement.



Dr. Gireesh Kumar G S inaugurated Reading Day Celebrations on 30.07.2019

Documentary Presentation: "BasheerThe Man" for degree students

Vaikom Muhammad Basheer, fondly known as **Beypore Sultan**, was an Indian independence activist and writer of Malayalam literature. He was a writer, humanist, freedom fighter, novelist and short story writer, noted for his path-breaking, down-to-earth style of writing that made him equally popular among literary critics as well as the common man. In connection with reading week celebrations of Department of Malayalam, we, offered the presentation of book reviews of Vaikom Muhammad Basheer by students and teachers.

Students' Talk on Vaikom Muhammad Basheer's Novels:

- 1. Ms. AnuSugunan, II B A History (PathummayudeAadu)
- 2. Mr. Christy Elakkannan, II B A History (Works of Basheer)
- 3. Ms. Laya Maria Lal, I B A English (BalyakalaSakhi)

At least 50 students participated in the program

A documentary Presentation named 'Basheer the Man' (A tribute to Basheer) was also presented at the college Seminar Hall.



Two Day Seminar: VayanayumSargathmakathayum (Reading & Creativity), in association with Kerala State BalaSahithya Institute (Kerala State Institute of Children's Literature, KSICL), Thiruvananthapuram



TWO DAY SEMINAR ON"VAYANAYUM SARGATHMAKATHAYUM" (READING & CREATIVITY) IN ASSOCIATION WITH KERALA STATE INSTITUTE OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE, TRIVANDRUM (Summary Report, Seminar Outcome& Photo Gallery)

Summary Report:

Year	Name of the program	Guest	Date	No. of Parti cipan ts	Seminar Objectives
	Vayanadin am- Reading Day celebratio ns	Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S.	30.07.201	58	 To inculcate the culture of reading amongthe students To boost up the imagination of students
2019 -20	Vayanayu m Sargthma kthayaum	1. Dr.Paul Manalil, Balasahithya Institute Director(Rtd.), Thiruvananthapuram 2.Geetha G Nair, Assistant Professor, Dept.of Malayalam N S S College, Cherthala 3.Dr.Sumesh A S Assistant Professor, Dept. of Hindi M E S college, Nedumkandom 4.Dr.SabuDe Mathew Associate Professor, Dept.of Malayalam,St.Thoma s College, Pala (Rtd.)	19.01.20 20 (Morning and Evening Sessions) 20.01.202 0 (Morning and Evening Sessions)	165	 To Provide a chance to meet eminent Poets and how imagination can be converted into words Give opportunity to public for cultural transaction through literature

Seminar Outcome:

Programme Outcome (based on the experiences shared by participants after each session of the seminar):

- > The seminar managed to engage students' imagination and stimulate their imagination to create a new world in their mind.
- Seminar boosted creativity of students and changed their worldview
- > Students could understand that their level of interest on the content of the book is one of the main factors that stimulate their creativity.
- > They could understand that the more they are totally absorbed in a book, the more it will stimulate their imagination and help their creativity.
- They could understand that reading is key to boosting their mental capacity and creativity
- > They could also understand that reading fiction improves their ability to put themselves in another person's shoes.



Dr. Paul Manalil inaugurated two day seminar. Dr.Gireesh Kumar G S (Principal), Prof. Ajitha V R (Seminar Convenor), Prof. Ansa Andrews(Staff Secretary), and Prof. Soumya Paul (Seminar Coordinator)

In addition to HBC students and staff, nearly 80 students from nearby schools were participated in the seminar and made the event a students' community development programme. Dr. Paul Manalil, Dr.Geetha G Nair, Dr.Sumesh A S and Dr.Sabu De Mathew shared their thoughts with students.At the end of the programme, participation certificates were issued to all the student participants.

PHOTO GALLERY



Dr. Paul Manalil on the Topic "VaayanayumSargathmakathayum" (Reading and Creativity) on 17 Jan. 2020



Dr.SabuDe Mathew "ArthandarangaludeVaayana, JnavumPrayogavum" (Meaningful Reading: Knowledge & Application) on 18 Jan. 2020



Dr.Sumesh A S VaayanayudeVarthamanam (Present day Reading) on 18 Jan 2020



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A school student receiving Participation Certificate



The Madhyamam Newspaper Report on 22 Jan. 2020 about Two-day Seminar

This Report is submitted to the Head of the Institution

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