



St. Vincent Pallotti School (CBSE)

Annual School Report' 2020-2021

Dipped in the shades of crimson from the setting Sun, I slipped into the fond memories, among them I saw the one was labelled – Lume Pallotti and a ray of light flashed onto my heart, and the image opened. I felt my own heartbeats flowing through its pages. Oh!!! But what a sudden gust of wind that forced its pages to soon flutter such that before I could deeply cherish each and every moment that passed in the last fifteen years... those soothing shades of crimson swiftly disappeared and the sky was crammed with absolute grey, dark and still clouds...

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mere a glimpse of those fierce and dreary clouds which never ever have been so thick were so thick that they threatened me to breathe, survive and sustain revealed me that they were not at all in the mood of immediate downpour which would cause them to wither and soon allow the canopy of stars accompanied by the Moon in full bloom to spread peace and serene... My thoughts on account of which I nounced them as a gust of wind were undoubtedly wrong, they betrayed me, those winds and clouds were even more than a Squall that attempted to almost ruin me...

Graced by His Blessings, I am still determined, filled with courage and do firmly stand by my conviction for which I was raised and shaped, "To Enlighten All", moreover eighty-nine committed Teachers, twelve sincere Office Staff and thirty-one dedicated Support Staff along with their very dear faith and believe in me, continued helping me in remain Stalwart in the entire city. My voice soars high in unison in cheer and joy for sustaining a promising figure of two thousand six hundred and ninety -two students even during this era of "New Normalcy".

Digitally enhanced classrooms, well equipped laboratories, well systematic library, well furnished infirmary, well designed atelier, music and dance rehearsal space, big playground, lush green lawn, evergreen trees, chirping birds and fluttering butterflies, bountiful fresh air and sunlight, clean and hygienic campus, all such precious assets waits eagerly to be once again become an integral part into the life of my most dearest and promising strength, my children.

Endlessly striving since years to incorporate finest technical tools so as to make the teaching –learning paradigm more efficient and simultaneously to establish quick communication with our end users- Students and Parents, Entab, the Online School Software has effectively catered the very prominent need of this drastic transition- "to stay connected".

One hundred and thirty one Students from Std. X and Eighty-two Students from Std. XII appeared for the Board Examinations conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education in the month of March, 2019.

The Annual Academic Evaluation for the Academic Session' 2019-2020 was conducted in the month of April. Teachers participated through their reports which they drafted for the parameters prescribed by the School Management.

As per the directives issued by Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi, and the classes for the Academic Session' 2020-2021 began through online mode from 8th June, 2020 onwards. Initial days were dedicated in training the very three prominent stakeholders- Students, Teachers and Parents to get well rehearsed with all the needed technical tools, devices, software, and applications etc so as to ensure proper connectivity and develop a user friendly background to cope up with the challenges of "New Normal".

The demand for the blended learning was massively superimposed; our teachers too through repeated error and try strategy were trained sufficiently such that they are now the Pilots of the trending digital roller coasters whether in preparing e-content or conducting online examinations.

Joining with the world in Sixth Annual International Yoga Day Celebration on 21st June, 2020, our students and their family members were encouraged through various audio-visual contents prepared by the Sports Instructor to schedule Yoga practices into their daily lives.

Our students were rehearsed well through various online sessions even during the times of complete restrictions owing to which we still succeeded in continuing the legacy of upbringing the innate talents and acquired skills. They were offered with vivid learning exposure through various inter and intra school competitions which were conducted through online mode by Sahodaya Schools Complex, Indore.

The year was buzzed with a variety of activities like rakhi-making, drawing, story-telling, lantern-making, diya decoration, rangoli-making, fancy dress, poster making, slogan- writing and recitation- Hindi, English and Sanskrit. Most of the activities aimed at raising the general awareness among the children related to health, hygiene and precautions mandatory to combat the spread of COVID-19. Celebrations indeed unleashed them from the harshness during severe restrictions and gradually rejuvenated them meaningfully so that they came more closed to their parents, grandparents and very desired the nature, whether National festivals like Independence Day, Gandhi Jayanti, Republic Day or religious occasions of Diwali, Dusshera, Id, Christmas, Guru Nanak Jayanti or Days symbolically marked for Teacher's, Children's, Patron's etc once again assured us of "New Normal".

The School's official page on various social media like Facebook, Instagram, Youtube was launched on 28th October, 2020 by the School Management to offer our students with a platform where their talent, potential, skills can be easily explored by their dear and near ones. Through this the School intends to unveil the progress which it marks in academics, sports and activities to its end users, the Students and Parents.

The life at Pallotti premises can be navigated through its Annual School Magazine, 'Lume Pallotti', the 12th Volume of which was released online in parts on 30th October, 2020 and 8th November, 2020 respectively. The Students who were enrolled in the movements like NCC, Air NCC and Scout and Guide received guidance and training through online mode, this year their outdoor activities were restricted as per the guidelines laid by the Ministry of Education.

St. Vincent Pallotii, our School's Patron Saint, all his life and contributions for the well being of mankind and other life forms was once again souvenir amidst the entire School Staff which gathered on 22nd January, 2021 for observing Patron's Day and Pallottine Family Day. A lamp was lit in prayful reverence

before our Patron's Idol accompanied by singing praises, 'Aarti' that brought him in our reminiscence. Rev. Fr. Dantees Thomas, the Principal of our School briefed the entire Staff about St. Vincent Pallotti's vision, mission, and philosophy and about the magnitude of the vast Pallottine Family that spreads across fifty-two countries including in Asia and Overseas working together under one umbrella to serve all. Rev. Fr. K.P. Thomas, the Manager of our School stressed at the fact that one must abstain from being selfish and live in such a way that creates an aura of happiness for all those who fall in its vicinity. Teachers animated through their various performances in dance, music and games prominently *Tambola*, the Indian Housie made everyone to strive to claim one's own luck, all this made the air more lighter and in ultimately contributed for some crispy and crunchy pages for the development of "Lume Pallotti" - Volume 13 under the tag - 'Teacher's games period'.

The 72nd Republic Day was celebrated with great vim and vigour accompanied by all the safety protocols prescribed in the State and Central SOP. Rev. Fr. K.P. Thomas, the Manager of our School had unfurled the Tricolour, followed by the Nation Anthem. He emphasized at the agony of the Indian Farmers and encouraged everyone to understand and support them when they are shunned in seeking enough space for their protest in print and electronic media. Mast. Atlin Reju, the Head Boy of our School briefed everyone on the contributions and sacrifices made by the great freedom fighters of our country. The music of Teacher's School Choir filled each soul with patriotic fervour.

Four Students from Std. X and six Students from Std. XII were facilitated on 6th February, 2021 by Rev. Fr. K.P. Thomas, the Manager of our School for their outstanding performance in the CBSE Board Examinations held in March, 2019. Rev. Fr. Dantees Thomas, the Principal of our School acknowledged the performances of the Students and encouraged them to respect their elders and follow the three key *mantras* of success – Discipline, Determination and Hard work forever in life. The occasion was more enriched when the students themselves shared their experiences which they had during the exam preparation, the strategies which altogether helped them to overcome the exam phobia and in achieving concrete figures.

Annual Day Celebration has always been a mega event that imbibes in it skilful performances from all, Tiny Tots in Kindergarten to Aspirants in Junior College thereby contributed a lot in the thickness of "Lume Pallotti". In due course of time as the effect of restrictions were gradually in the phase of getting diluted and so was the time that encouraged permeability, the School observed its Annual Day on 29th January, 2021, a well prepared and edited audio-visual content was released comprising of a blend of not only dance, drama and music but also meaningful messages conveying social issues which prevail in our society, a mega call to "conserve water" and above all "A grand Salute and deep sense of gratitude to COVID-19 Warriors", all this unanimously reflected and justified the theme so chosen, "Rise Up... *Umeedo ki Udaan*". Rev. Fr. Dantees Thomas, the Principal of our School with a deep sense of gratitude, appreciated the sincere efforts of all the Teachers in crafting the entire event. Citing an example of a "Toddler" and his/her course of learning to stand on his/her knees, wherein he/she falls repeatedly but still continues to attempt and ultimately develops enough of strength in his/her feet to stand on its legs, he recognized the charge taken up all the Teachers to combat the challenges in turn adapting themselves in "New Normalcy" in the field of Education.

During the restrictions due to COVID-19, a stiff employment crisis arose, for many it became a strenuous exercise to earn bread and butter. 'V-Care', the socio-charitable initiative of our School has once again justified the motto, "Love All, Serve All" through its very benign act by distributing free ration kits to the underprivileged section of the society lying in our vicinity, to the families of the students who were receiving free education services through the evening school – '*Satya Prakash Pathshala*', to the most

ignorant community of our society, the transgender, and to all the auto-drivers, van-drivers who were offering their transportation service to our students. V-Care was successful in running the “Book-Sharing Campaign” which had offered hassle-free and an organised environment for the exchange of textbooks between “seniors” and “juniors” with a little line of contrast, the contrast of one year that aided in reducing the financial burden on Parents which they usually had during the purchase of a new book-set at onset of new academic year.

Rev. Fr. Saji Punchal, the former Manager of our School welcomed Rev. Fr. K.P. Thomas, the newly appointed Manager of our School and Rev. Fr. Dantees Thomas, the newly appointed Principal of our School.

Pallottine Fathers with the prime call “To enlighten All” continue to contribute in different capacities for the growth and development of any Institution which they serve during their tenure for the respective designation, so immensely contributed by our very Rev. Fr. Shinson Sebastian during his tenure as a Principal of this Institution, who in his every move stressed at innovations and creativity, emphasized everyone to have a dream in life. The preaching from Rev. Fr. Byju Antony, the Vice-Principal of our School through his ambient examples, story of “The Ninety-Nine Club”, the Prayer which he read on the eve of Christmas, calling the God to intervene when the country was undergoing through stressful conditions owing to Citizenship Amendment Act that lead to spread riots in Delhi, have added great significance in our journey that succeeded fifteenth year. The adorable beauty of the campus, technical transformations and generating a desire in everyone to be organic are mere few among the executions which Rev. Fr. Saji Punchal did in this Institution during his tenure as the Manager of this School. The School, Teachers and all the Students will forever behold their contributions and will be forever grateful to them, they will continue to have a say in the growth and progress of this Institution.

Did you see it? The silver lining in those dark clouds... see there He is hovering His blessings on us, assuring us... “Put yourself in God’s hand and everything will go well”... I am simply eager to greet you all once again, SOP is all set, cautious at every step and expecting the same from you, just waiting to once again discover myself in your chaos, two one za two, two two za four, wish to accompany you during exam fever, wish to taste the delicacies which you unintentionally left on table you were eating on, wish to read your thoughts on display board, wish to witness your confidence during assembly on dice, wish to get defeated by you while playing with you yet cherishing with you when you shout that you won.....

I am sincerely thankful to all those who contributed in raising and shaping me, my all the Stakeholders, the Parents, the Students, the Teachers, the Support Staff, the Well-Wishers.

May the tender, love and care of God urges on us.