

## ENGLISH ASSOCIATION: REPORTS

### REPORT ON THE ALUMNI INTERACTION SESSION (23-02-2023)

Day & Date: Monday, 23 January 2023

Time : 11:30 am

Location : Conference hall, Marian College Kuttikkanam Autonomous

Invited Guest : Ms. Chithira N Raju

The Marian Association of English Students (MAES) and the English Department hosted an interactive with Ms. Chithira N Raju for the students in the English Department. Ms. Chithira N Raju is a Senior Sub-Editor at indianexpress.com. She writes about trending topics , gender issues, adventure sports, travel, and art and culture. Politics, human rights, and minority issues all fascinate her. Chithira earned her postgraduate degree from Pondicherry University, and she is a graduate of the English Department's 2014–2017 Batch at Marian College Kuttikkanam Autonomous. The English Department faculty members as well as the head of the department, Mr. Allen George Podipara, the MAES Secretary, Ms. Keerthana Bose, participated in the discussion.



Ms. Sandra Prasanth of III BACE gave a welcome speech to start the programme. She welcomed all the dignitaries on the dais.



Later, Sandra called Mr. Allen George Podipara to address the gathering. He introduced Ms. Chithira, the chief guest, and highlighted the value of having an interactive discussion with her.



Sandra welcomed Ms. Chithira to speak with the students after Allen Sir's address. Chithira started her speech by recalling her college years and the contributions Marian Campus made to her life. She advised the students to take advantage of all the chances provided by the college, saying that college is the best time of one's life. She stressed the value of striking a balance between one's academics and fun of college life.

Chithira also discussed the challenges she overcame to become the Senior Sub Editor of IndianExpress.com and achievements she made. She provided a thorough talk on how to enter the journalism field and have a successful career there. She was extremely informed and passionate about journalism, and she instilled the same enthusiasm in the students through her words and personal experiences.



Later, during the students' interactive session, the students had numerous questions and concerns about the journalism industry and strategies for passing the CUET tests. The students' questions were answered by Chithira, who also greatly inspired them to pursue a career in journalism. The session was really informative and interesting, and it helped in providing insightful knowledge about the journalism industry.



After Chithira finished speaking, Sandra invited Allen sir, to give Ms. Chithira a memento from the English department.



Later, Sandra invited Sreejith C. Dayanandan of II BACE to offer the vote of thanks. He thanked Ms. Chithira on behalf of the students for devoting her valuable time to hosting a great and informative lecture session for the BACE Department students. He expressed his gratitude to the HOD, the English department faculty, and the students for their contributions to the program's success. At 12:45 PM, Allen Sir called the meeting to a close.

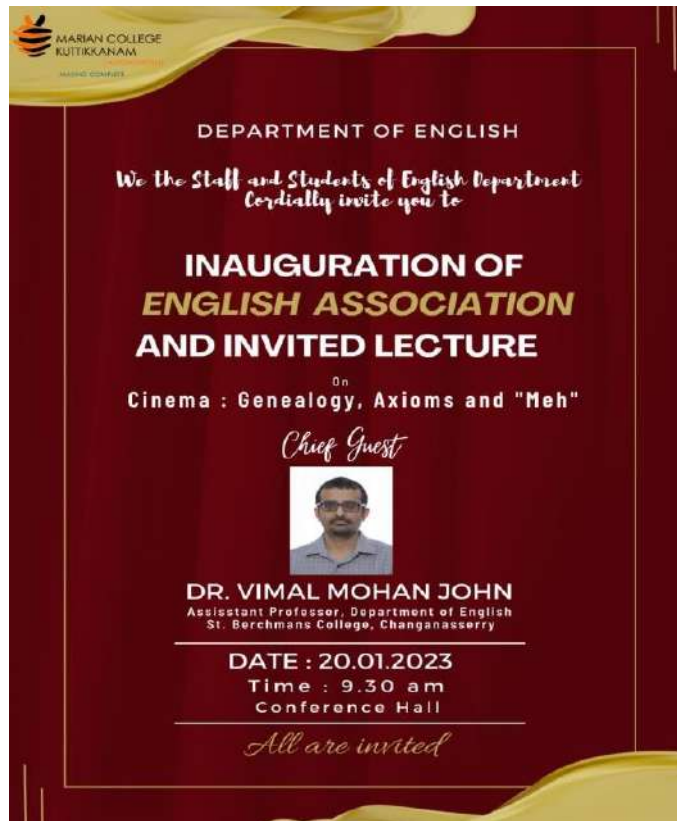


# REPORT: ASSOCIATION INAUGURATION AND INVITED LECTURE

20 JANUARY 2023

CONFERENCE HALL

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 92



The Department of English had organised the inauguration of the Marian Association of English Students (MAES) along with an invited lecture on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023 held at the conference hall from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The chief guest of the event was Dr Vimal Mohan John, Assistant Professor in the Department of English of St. Berchmans College, Changanassery. The event was chaired by Principal Dr Ajimon George, Alan George Podipara HOD of the English Department and the chief guest, Dr Vimal Mohan John.





The entire faculty of the English Department along with the students of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> BACE students were present in the conference hall. The anchors of the event were Sneha Ann Devasia and Lino Skaria Saji of 3<sup>rd</sup> BACE. The program started with a prayer song by Deena Elsa George, Haisal Anna Varughese, Ann Maria Job and Sandra Prashanth of 3<sup>rd</sup> BACE. followed by a Welcome speech by the HOD of the Department of English Mr Alan George Podipara. After the welcome speech was the remarks from the Principal Dr Ajimon George, who wished well for the success of the program and congratulated the Department for organising activities for the students of the department. After the principal's remark was the keynote address by the chief guest Dr Vimal Mohan John. The keynote address was followed by a lamp-lighting ceremony by the Chief Guest, faculties and student representatives of the association.



After the lamp-lighting ceremony, Kripa Sara Thomas of 3<sup>rd</sup> BACE delivered the vote of thanks. This was followed by cultural programs. Sneha Dutt of 2<sup>nd</sup> BACE presented a solo song followed by a group song by Ashlynn Therese Jacob, Divya Antony, Joanna Elsa John, and Hanna Elsa Biju of 1<sup>st</sup> BACE and a duet song by Bilha Susan Biju, and Hanna Elsa George. This was followed by a video presentation of the activities of the Association by Jeffy Jiss of 2<sup>nd</sup> BACE.



After a short break following the cultural programs started the invited lecture by Dr Vimal Mohan John, assistant professor at St.Berchmans college on the topic " Cinema: Genealogy, Axioms and Meh". The lecture lasted for more than an hour and Dr Vimal Mohan John spoke about the origin of cinema from the 'Arrival of a Train' to what cinema is today. He also briefly discussed the axioms in Cinema like the three-point lighting and the importance of sound in cinema. He also shed light on topics like early German Expressionism and the Cinema sets during the initial stages of the German Cinema. The topic which was given utmost importance was *Mise-en-scène*, which is the stage design and arrangement of actors on stage in a scene. He explained in detail how *Mise-en-scène* is perfectly put to use in the scenes from many critically acclaimed movies such as *The shining*, *American Beauty*, *Taxi Driver*, *Edward scissor hands*, *Citizen Kane* and so on.



After the lecture, the anchors invited the Association Secretary Ms. Keerthana Bose to deliver the Vote of Thanks and with that the program was concluded.

## **REPORT ON THE PERFORMATIVE READING COMPETITION**

14<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF

ENGLISH

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS : 41



A group-wise performative reading competition was conducted by the Department of English on July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The participants of the competition were the members of the four groups, each comprised of students from II BACE and III BACE. The hour-long competition was held at the II BACE classroom and started at 2:30 p.m.

The members of each group took turns performing according to the number they drew from the chits. The four groups i.e, Bards of Avon, Blue Jays, BACE Spartans, and Da Vinci Code all performed respectively. The judges of the competition were Mrs. Keerthy Elza, Mrs. Rosemary Philip, and Mr. Philip Jose. Before beginning the competition, the Head of the Department of English, Mr. Allen George Podipara, informed the students about the division of marks awarded into categories like acting, narration, engagement of senses, etc.

Each group delivered their best performance. Students were able to bring out their talents before others and also learned to work and engage with each other through this activity. The results were announced by Mr. Philip Jose and the team Da Vinci Code was announced as the winner of the competition, earning them 10 points. The BACE Spartans received second place and 8 points, The Bards of Avon received third place and 6 points, and the Blue Jays received fourth place and 4 points. A special mention for the best performers and narrators were also given. Paul Siby (III BACE), Joeys Joshy (III BACE), Haisal Anna Varugheese



(III BACE), Merin Thomas (III BACE) and Sreejith (II BACE) were selected as the best performers while Ann Maria Job (III BACE) and Anna George (III BACE) were selected as the best narrators.

The final scores of the four teams after the competition are as follows: The Da Vinci Code: 30

The Bards of

Avon: 28BACE

Spartans 23.5

Blue Jays: 20

## **REPORT ON THE QUIZ COMPETITION**

6<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF

ENGLISH

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 63



The Department of English conducted a group-wise quiz competition on 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2022. The students of both 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year participated in the competition. The competition was conducted during the last hour from 12.45 PM to 1.35 PM

at the 2<sup>nd</sup> year BACE classroom.

The students were seated according to their respective four groups: The Da Vinci Code, BACE Spartans, Bards of Avon, and the Blue Jays. Mr. Allen George Podipara, Head of Department, conducted the quiz via the online site 'kahoot.it'. Mrs. Keerthy Elza was also present to guide the students. Five students from each group were selected to participate in the quiz. The quiz was on General Knowledge. For each right answer, the students cheered for their winning

team. Even though the Da Vinci Code was leading during the initial stages, Bards of Avon gradually took their place towards the end and won the quiz.

Team Bards of Avon won the quiz with a score of 10 points. On the second place was the Da Vinci Code with 7 points and on the third place was BACE Spartans with 5 points. Team Blue Jays was on the fourth place with 2 points.

The final scores of the teams after the quiz competition are as follows:

Bards of Avon- 22

The Da Vinci Code-

20Blue Jays- 16

BACE Spartans- 15.5

## **Department of English Annual Report (2018-19)**

The Department of English at Marian College Kuttikkanam is a very vibrant department of our College. There were many notable achievements and programs organised in the college during the academic year 2018-19 and Bace students actively participated in various events. There were eight faculties and three classes, the first years "Asgardians", the second years, "Vorbildz" and third years, "Invicibles".



There were various activities conducted during the academic year by the students of the Department of English. There was a National Seminar on Women Empowerment organized on 2nd August 2018 and the students of BACE department ensured their presence. It was an active Seminar where each one contributed their ideas and thoughts. It was well appreciated by the Department and College.



Then we had a Personality development program which was organised for the students that enabled them to overcome their shadows and break their shelves and come out with flying colours. It helped the students to analyze themselves and bring out their creative self. It was a great program for the students organised by the department.



We had an outreach program organized by the department. As part of outreach program, the students of 2nd Bace went to Balagram LP school and took classes and planted medicinal plants.



"Reading is the gateway skill that makes all other learning possible"- Barak Obama. Reading is a important aspect that one needs in their day to day life. Reading not just gives us pleasure but also insights into varoo lives, information and so on. As part of Reading Day, Reading competition was organised by the department for all Marianites on 19th June 2018. There were various participants who enthusiastically participated in it. It was a fun filled entertaining and competitive competition.





A seminar on Mobile Journalism was organised by the Department of Media Studies for the Bace students and the classes were taken by Mr. Biju, Senior Journalist, Asianet News. It was an informative and Interactive session.



A workshop on Intellectual Property Rights was conducted by Adv. Sony Thomas for the students of Bace department. Again it was a very interesting, interactive and informative session.



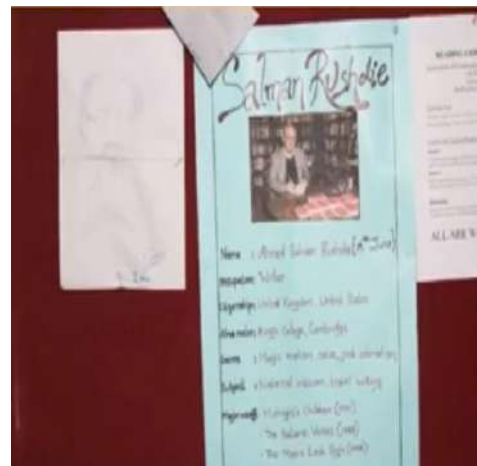
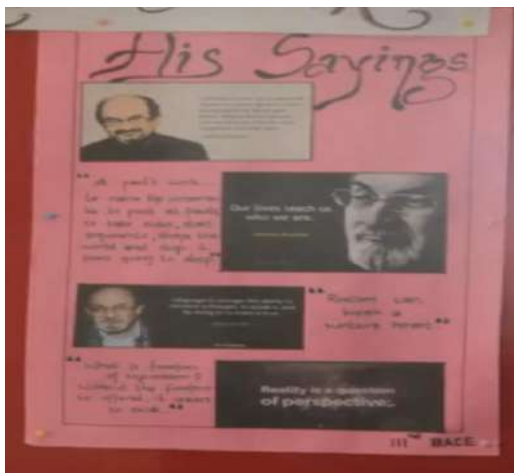
The students of 2nd Bace went for walk and talk on 18th September 2018 to Pine Forest, Kuttikkanam. It was a refreshing moment for the students. The students had a lot of fun during the walk. The students engaged in sharing their stories, views and also had certain fun talents exhibited by the students.



The students of 2nd Bace published the class magazine named Meraki. It was a wonderful exhibit of the students where each one contributed their best works.



"Our lives teaches who we are", is a quote by Salman Rushdie. The Birthday of the renowned British novelist Salman Rushdie was celebrated by preparing Charts and posters by the students of the department of the English as a way to acknowledge his life and contributions.



"Walking together is a way of knowing each other better." The students of Bace displayed the social commitment by actively engaging in flood relief activities from 29th August to 30th August 2018. This helped the students to stand together and work for the needs bringing in positive results.



Students of Bace department, Keerthy Suresh and Snehamol Ninan of the second year participated in the pre RD NCC camp.



Prabhul Suresh, Vandana S Vinod, Angel Mary Tom and Fleming Mathews from the department attended the youth parliament. Prabhakar Suresh and Vandana S Vinod represented the whole College for All Kerala Principle's council debate competition.



Honey, Issac John and Sreelakhmi from 1st Bace were the students who got selection to SAI.

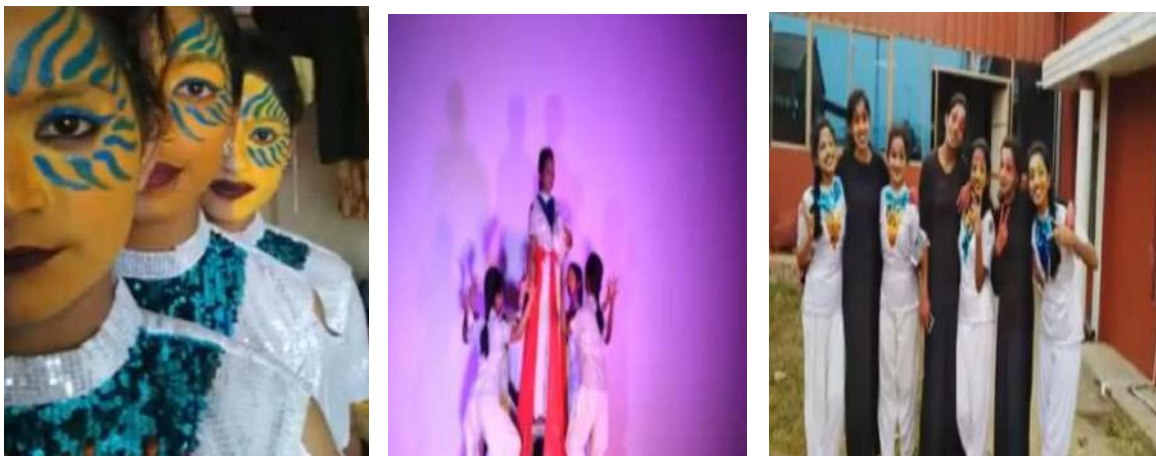




Aksa Ann Cherian was selected as Joint PRO of Kerala Chapter of UNAI for the academic year 2018-19.



The students of 2nd Bace won the first prize in the Dance Battle competition organised by MCSC.



The blue ribbon campaign at Holy Cross college at Puttadi by students of 2nd Bace in association with Childline.



Vandana S Vinod, Merin Alphonsa and Angel Mary Tom won 1st prize in the poster making competition organised by the department of Economics.



Articles of Honey Sara and Aathu Wilson got published in reputed newspapers during OGT.



As part of Journalism, the students of 2nd Bace created their own blogs which enabled them to exhibit their creativity and talents.





