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THE NEWSLETTER OF ST. JOSEPH CHAMINADE ACADEMY, DEEPAHALLI, BANGALORE



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Education, in the Marianist tradition, is a journey of forming the whole person — heart and mind. At St. Joseph Chaminade Academy, we strive to make this vision a living reality by creating opportunities where knowledge is enriched by creativity, culture, character, service and community. The past month has been a beautiful reflection of this vision, with our students learning, participating, achieving and celebrating with enthusiasm and purpose.

ANOKHA 2026, with its remarkable 57 events, offered students from Pre-Primary to Grade 10 diverse opportunities to discover and showcase their talents. Our Teachers' Day celebration reaffirmed the bond between teachers and learners, while Ganesh Chaturthi, Krishna Janmashtami and Hindi Diwas enabled students to engage meaningfully with our rich cultural heritage.

We are proud to celebrate the remarkable achievement of our students at the CISCE National Yoga Competition, securing two Silver Medals in the Artistic Pair category. This national-level success reflects their discipline, dedication and perseverance, and is a proud moment for the Academy.

The inauguration of "GIGGLE GROVE", our Children's Play Park, further strengthens our commitment to holistic development by providing children with a space to play, explore, interact and grow. These experiences remind us that education is not simply about achievement, but about forming young people who are confident, compassionate and committed to serving others.

I congratulate our students and express my sincere appreciation to our teachers, coaches and staff whose dedication makes these opportunities possible. May we continue, in the Marianist spirit, to educate for life, form compassionate leaders and inspire every child to learn, lead and serve with purpose.



Fr. R. Joseph Raj, SM
Principal

ANOKHA 2026 - A Celebration of Talent and Creativity





St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated its much-awaited **ANOKHA 2026** – Cultural Fest on 31st August and 1st September 2026 with great enthusiasm and creative spirit. The two-day celebration featured an impressive 57 events for students from Pre-Primary to Grade 10, covering literary, artistic, intellectual and performing arts.

ANOKHA 2026 truly lived up to its name – “Unique” – celebrating creativity, confidence and the diverse talents of every child. This year’s fest introduced exciting new events such as Beat boxing, Rapping, Science Talk, Flair for Theatrics, Instrumental Music, and Timeline Scroll alongside popular competitions like Elocution, Storytelling and Drawing. This unique blend of literary, artistic and performing events ensured every child had a platform to showcase their distinct talent, making the fest truly one-of-a-kind.

The fest concluded with a grand prize distribution ceremony graced by distinguished Marianist and educational leaders, who appreciated the efforts of the students and teachers. The Pre-Primary prize distribution was held separately on 3rd September 2026.

Celebrating Our Teachers - The Heart of Our School

St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated **Teachers' Day** on **5th September 2026** with great enthusiasm and heartfelt gratitude, honouring the dedication, guidance and invaluable contribution of its teachers. The celebration brought together students and teachers for a meaningful and memorable occasion.

The programme began with a vibrant welcome by **Rev. Fr. R. Joseph Raj**, followed by prayer and a colourful array of cultural performances. Students presented dances, a group song, mime and an engaging skit, showcasing their creativity and appreciation for their teachers.

As a special tribute to the teachers, students expressed their gratitude through heartfelt cards, followed by the Teachers' Pledge prescribed by the CISCE Board, led by Fr. Renny Markose. The celebrations continued with lively games, creating an atmosphere of joy, camaraderie and togetherness among the teachers.

The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Rev. Fr. R. Joseph Raj, followed by the National Anthem. The celebration was a fitting tribute to the teachers who continually inspire, guide and nurture young minds, making the occasion truly special and memorable.



Krishna Janmashtami - Celebrating the Spirit of Joy and Devotion



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated **Krishna Janmashtami** on 4th September with great joy and enthusiasm. The celebration brought the festive spirit alive as students dressed up beautifully as Lord Krishna, adding colour and vibrancy to the occasion. The celebration provided a wonderful opportunity for students to appreciate the cultural significance and traditions associated with Janmashtami, while spreading messages of joy, love and togetherness throughout the school.

A Joyous Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated **Ganesh Chaturthi** on Friday, 11th September 2026, with joy, devotion and enthusiasm. The celebration offered students an opportunity to appreciate the **rich cultural and spiritual significance of the festival**. The traditional worship and festive observance of **Lord Ganesha** created a **prayerful and vibrant atmosphere** across the school. Students participated with enthusiasm, embracing the values of faith, gratitude, harmony and togetherness. The celebration provided a meaningful opportunity to preserve cultural traditions while fostering a sense of community among the students and staff.

Hindi Diwas - Celebrating the Beauty of Hindi



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy celebrated **Hindi Diwas** on 16th September 2026 with enthusiasm and pride, highlighting the richness and cultural significance of the Hindi language. The celebration provided students with an opportunity to appreciate Hindi through **creative presentations, literary activities and cultural expressions**. In his message, Fr. R. Joseph Raj, Principal, encouraged students to learn Hindi and other languages, emphasising that language learning enables us to communicate, understand cultures and connect with many more people. The programme encouraged students to develop a deeper love for the language while recognising its important role in India's cultural heritage.

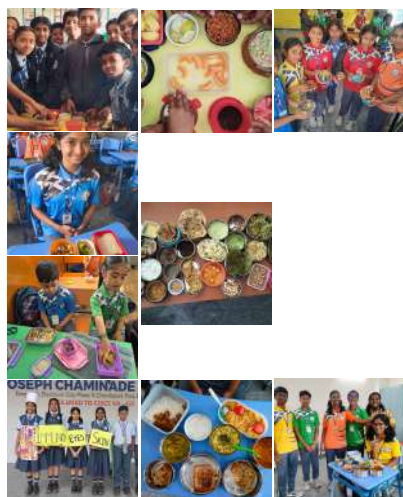
Silver Glory at the CISCE National Yoga Competition



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy is proud to celebrate the remarkable achievement of **Master Mohammed Rayan A and Master Vedharsh Reddy**, who secured Silver Medals in the **Artistic Pair** category at the **CISCE National Yoga Competition**, held on **10th and 11th September 2026** at **Agrasain Boys' School, Howrah, West Bengal**.

Their poised and disciplined performance at the national level reflects their dedication, precision, flexibility and commitment to excellence. This commendable achievement brings great pride to the Academy and stands as an inspiration to fellow students to pursue their talents with determination and confidence.

Vitamin E Day - Promoting Health and Well-being



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy observed **Vitamin E Day** on **23rd September 2026**, highlighting the importance of healthy nutrition and overall well-being.

The occasion encouraged students to understand the benefits of Vitamin E and the importance of including nutritious foods in their daily diet. The observance promoted awareness of healthy eating habits and mindful food choices, inspiring students to make informed choices for a healthier lifestyle.

School Inter-House Quiz Competition

St. Joseph Chaminade Academy hosted an **Inter-House Quiz Competition**, on **25th September**, providing students with an exciting platform to showcase their knowledge, quick thinking and teamwork. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation and healthy rivalry among all the five houses. **Orange House** emerged as the winners, securing the **First Prize**, while **Red House** proudly secured the **Second Prize**. The event celebrated the spirit of learning, teamwork and healthy competition among the students.



A Leap Forward in Sports and Recreation Infrastructure



St. Joseph Chaminade Academy inaugurated “GIGGLE GROVE”, the Children’s Play Park, on 8th September 2026, marking a wonderful addition to the school’s recreational infrastructure. The inauguration was graced by **Sr. Virginia Timung, SDS**, as the Chief Guest. **Fr. Renny Markose**, the correspondent blessed the play park. Designed to provide children with a joyful and engaging space, the play park encourages active play, exploration, creativity and social interaction. The occasion was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Principal, Fr. R. Joseph Raj, the Management, staff and students, making it a memorable milestone in the school’s journey towards holistic development.



Upcoming Events | October 2026

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