ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

INTRODUCTION

NAMASTE AND GOOD EVENING TO THE DISTINGUISHED GUESTS ON THE DIAS AND TO EVERYONE PRESENT HERE.

It is indeed an honour for me to present the Principal's report for the academic year 2022-23. This has been an extremely challenging year for all stakeholders in the schooling system, whether it is students, parents, teachers and CBSE board. This was the year of returning back to normalcy after two years of lockdowns caused by COVID-19, online classes and staying indoors. I want to take you all back to March- April 2022. When all schools across the country closed down for the second time due to the Omicron scare, nobody was sure whether the schools would reopen in a normal way for the academic year 2022-23 in June. We were awaiting orders from the Government which did not come until very late May ordering to open the schools. Regardless of this we were all prepared to go through any mode of teaching Online, Hybrid or Physical classes. With our teachers being trained throughout May2022 to engage our children.

It was decided that our school would reopen on June 2. We wanted the children o be back in School with a lot of excitement. We created a themed Hogwarts Platform 9¾ from the famous Harry Potter Series where students entered through the pillar and were greeted by teachers and staff on the other side. It was an exciting moment for all of us to see parents and children back in school after two years.

But as we dove deep into our teaching-learning process we noticed that two years of Covid has had a tremendous impact on children's behaviour. Their attention span was short, their emotional stability was weak, and their social interaction was not adequate. As often said, school is not a place for just books and notes, it is also where the students develop as a whole - socially, mentally and emotionally. It was then decided that these areas should be given more focus before academically proceeding and necessary changes were made to the academic calendar to accomodate children to have more interactions with each other and accustom to being inside the school campus. Nearly two months were taken for the students to get familiar with everything, due to which, they are now in a far better position as social beings.

Let me start with the IMPORTANT curricular and co- curricular activities conducted during this academic year

With our School opening on June 2nd 2022. We kicked off the year with environment day that encouraged students to plant trees and take care of mother earth in any capacity that is possible for them. We also had our reopening for the tiny tots too in the kindergarten section. This month further made us look into our plan of action which had to be remodelled due to the problems mentioned before.

On 7th July A one-day workshop for children of all grades to learn and use chocolate-based recipes under the guidance of Ms. Rinda Bayer was conducted. All the children had a hands-on experience of being a chocolatier which ensured enhancement through experiential learning.

On July 14, Bastille day was celebrated under the initiative of the French department. A dance performance by grade 2 students and a French movie on the French revolution were the highlights of the day. Grade 9 had their history class more effectively transacted during this event.

The investiture ceremony for the academic year 2022-23 was held with a great zeal and enthusiasm on July 22. The ceremony began with a guard of honour for the chief guest . The elected head girl Sreelakshmi, head boy Jonathan Xavier introduced themselves and they were conferred with badges and sashes by our hon. CEO Sri Adarsh Kavungal and Vice Principal Anitha Sreekumar.

August:

Quit India march:

Prior to independence day was the Quit India Movement on August 8 on which the students held a peaceful protest against the existing social evils. The students understood the importance of Freedom of speech and expression in the smooth running of a democratic country.

The students of our school hoisted the largest National flag by a school in India on 13th August 2022 at 9.00 AM heeding the call of our Honourable Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi and Honourable Chief Minister of Kerala Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan. The Celebration this year was completely organized and led by the students.

School then had its first periodic test from 16th august. The test enabled us to assess students' learning and plan future strategies.

OPEN HOUSE DAY from 24 to 26 august strengthened the parent-teacher bond which helped teachers furthermore.

On 2nd September, Our school celebrated Onam in a fabulous way. Floral carpet was the highlight which was beautifully done by the teachers. Cultural events like Vanchippattu, Thiruvathira, fancy dress competitions added colours to the celebration.

Teachers day was celebrated along with onam. Where teachers displayed their on-stage talents for children

On September 14th Hindi Diwas was celebrated to promote 'Hindi ' language and its usage across the nation. We conducted different cultural programmes to mark the occasion.

On 15th September students as part of their CBSE SEWA activity practiced Swachatha Abhiyaan by cleaning the school premises. The objective of this activity was to inculcate awareness among students that it is their responsibility to keep their surroundings clean because cleanliness is next to godliness.

On 16th September we celebrated world ozone day to spread awareness among the students about how crucial the ozone shield is for life, its gradual depletion and the need for possible solutions to preserve it.

On September 19, students from grade 1 to 12 brought various ingredients as part of experiential learning once again where they presented delicacies made through fireless cooking. Ratios, mixtures, taste, colour are few of the many concepts that they learned.

On 22nd September students of grades 3,4 and 5 were taken to the Head Post office Edappally to get firsthand experience of all the functions that happened inside a Post office.

On 27th September students of grades 6,7 and 8 were taken to Modern Bread factory which gave them insights and experience about the procedure and technology behind the production of bread and other value added products.

Celebrating Peace Day on 29th September allowed our students to understand the importance of creating and maintaining peace amongst themselves, families and surroundings. A candlelit vigil programme was conducted to spread the message of peace.

On 20 th October the 'PATHFINDERS SERIES' was done to break loose the recruitment and employment scenario. Three eminent personalities Adv. l Karthika Maria, Biju Kurian and Ebin Tony had interactions with students of grades 8 to 12.

The students wrote their Half yearly examination from 22nd October onwards.

Our school with the help of data analytics, both internal and external vendors, was able to track student performance in great detail and with great accuracy.

With "No student left behind" as our motto, we strived to bridge the learning gaps and bring each child to the relevant class level. Remedial classes commenced immediately for special students and the students who were lagging behind in any subject. These classes were taken by the subject teachers and the Counselor. These relentless efforts yielded and continue to yield steady results.

Capacity building programs for teachers FROM 22ND OCT- 28 TH OCT

To help teachers in the art of expressing themselves, updating their knowledge in the current pedagogical trends and reinforcing curriculum, in-house and online training was provided throughout the year by various experts in the field of education, and CBSE COE. A few training programs attended by teachers were

- a) Digital learning
- b) Art integrated across curriculum
- c) experiential learning in practice
- d) addressing socio emotional needs of students

On November 1st Kerala Piravi, under the initiative of Malayalam Department,

On 2nd November Halloween day was celebrated with a fun filled exciting fancy-dress parade. Students dressed up like Halloween and entertained the audience with their beautiful moves.

Know My India – an educational gallery to learn India and its states was held on 5 November 2022. Each class represented one state. The classrooms were filled with informative charts, themes based on the state, local delicacies and more. The school was open to the public for the said date to visit each gallery. The visitors applauded the event and appreciated the efforts of the teachers and students.

On 7th November House wise BasketBall competition for grade 8 -12 was conducted. The children showcased their competitive spirit for the same.

We celebrated ARTS FEST 'Tritva' on November 14th as a part of Children's day celebration. Digital creator and influencer Gokul Raj inaugurated the function.

Students participated enthusiastically in various inter-house competitions like Dance Drama, Malayalam & English Elocution, Poster Making, Hindi and Malayalam recitation, Hindi & English Essay Writing Competition, Debate Competition and much more.

On 24 th November Thanksgiving was celebrated to share our gratitude for the blessings of the past year. A potluck lunch was the main attraction of that day.

On 1st December we celebrated our sports day with great enthusiasm and vigour. We felt honored in the presence of Ms LEPHINA D'SOUZA, our chief guest who declared the sports meet open. Our students participated in various competitions and won medals, trophies and certificates. The main event was the football match between Kings and Falcons.

Christmas was celebrated on the 23rd of December with all its festivity. The students of our school performed a skit based on the birth of Jesus Christ. Programmes like Carol singing, dance, and secret santa made the day ever memorable. The school closed for holidays and reopened on the 3rd of January 2023.

With all these that happened in the past year, I can only look with higher hopes to the future. And the future belongs to those who plan today.

Future Planning

We have already started planning for the next academic year which is going to be a very interesting year for the school and education sector in India.

1. Implementation of NEP - 2020

Transforming assessment pattern for student development

Moving towards competency based and skill based from the culture of rote learning.

2. Implementation of SAFAL (structured assessment for analysing learning)

A competency based assessment launched by CBSE for grades 3, 5 and 8 to assess the progress of the foundational skill and basic learning

3. Continue Reading Mission as proposed by CBSE (July - September)

To improve the reading and writing skills of students

4. Differentiated instruction in academically diverse classrooms

Responsive to Student's readiness, interests and learning preferences

Students will be assessed before and after their learning

- 5. More focus on Physical and Health Education
- 6. Infrastructure Development

The Year 2024 will bear witness to the phase 2 of Asoka world school which is to be built upon a 2.5 acre Campus, and 300 meters off AWS Phase 1. The Phase 2 will include a multi storied 1.2 lac sq. feet green Building and certified digital campus, a football pitch, Cricket Training Pitches, 500-Seater Performance Arts Theatre and Various international Facilities.

Conclusion

Many milestones have been achieved and many still have to be reached. We at Asoka World school will continue our unceasing efforts to mold the young ones into a well balanced personality with confidence and zeal befitting the standards of this global spectrum. This report is a sincere attempt to showcase our progress in terms of academics and activities during the year. On this memorable occasion, we recount our success with pride and happiness.

I take this opportunity to thank all the Section heads, Faculty, staff, students parents wellwishers and the management for their constant support and guidance.

In the end, I would like to conclude with the lines "don't tell us sky's the limits when there are footprints on the moon.

Thank you

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