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### NEWSLETTER

## IF AN EGG IS BROKEN BY OUTSIDE FORCE, LIFE ENDS. IF BROKEN BY INSIDE FORCE, LIFE BEGINS.

# GREAT THINGS ALWAYS BEGIN FROM INSIDE.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



New year is a new beginning. 'Let bygones be bygones act in the living presence'. The magic in new beginnings is truly the most powerful of all. The new day comes with new strength and new thoughts. May the New Year bring

you courage to break your early resolutions !. Your own plan is to swear off every kind of virtue, so that you may triumph even when you fall.

No one changes the world who isn't obsessed. We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths. It is of no use going back to yesterday. If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently.

Looking at the pattern of your life, if you dont like it, change it. Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great. Weak men wait for opportunities; strong men make the given opportunities great. Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending.

What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year. Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will. You are never too old to set a new goal or to dream a new dream. Realize deeply that the present moment is all you ever have. Make the Now the primary focus of your life.

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift—that's why it's called 'the present. 'We can learn from the past and plan for the future, but we must not forget to live fully in the present. A well-lived today can heal the wounds of yesterday and lay the foundation for a brighter tomorrow. The clock is running. Make the most of today. Time waits for no man.

Work hard, be happy, and enjoy your life in without constraints

Prof. Fr. Johnson Principal

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#### **National Workshop on Inclusive Education**

On the 14th and 15th of December, 2024, The enriching workshop on Inclusive Classroom Practices was constructively conducted at Christ College, Bhopal. This two-day event aimed to equip educators with the knowledge and strategies necessary for fostering inclusive classrooms, aligned with the principles of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The First Day spotlighted the Foundations of Inclusive Education The workshop began with a formal inaugural session, which included the lighting of the lamp, a prayer song, and welcome addresses by the dignitaries, including Fr. Principal Prof. Fr. Johnson CMI, Fr. Manager Dr. Fr. Sebastian CMI and Fr. Provincial Dr. Fr. Cyril CMI. The messages from our spiritual leaders was the rising Sun of the sessions. The Convenor of the workshop was Dr Diwakar Singh, Associate Professor at Christ College whereas the Coordinators of the workshop were Dr Pallavi Shrivastava Sinha, Ms Jaya Saini and Mr Augustin Williams.

The first Session on the Concepts of Inclusive Classroom was conducted by Dr. F.S. Khan, from IASE, Bhopal. Dr.Farrukh Saleem Khan elaborated on the foundational concepts of inclusive education in alignment with NEP 2020. He emphasized the need for inclusive teaching practices and shared actionable and pragmatic insights for educators to implement in their classrooms. Session two steered the educators towards the Student Diversity: Effective Screening for Varied Learning Needs by prolific Prof. Kuldeep Kaur from Panjab University, Chandigarh. Prof. Kaur discussed the importance of recognizing and addressing diverse learning needs. Her interactive session provided effective tools for insightful screening and strategies to cater to the pedagogical needs of students with varied abilities. In the third Session- Dr. K. Thiyagu, Central University of Karnataka threw light upon the utalitarian Digital Pedagogy . Dr. Thiyagu introduced a galaxy of Teacher-friendly ICT tools for effective teaching, while demonstrating how technology can empower educators to create inclusive and engaging learning environments.

**Day 2 Strategies for Inclusive Teaching** The second day commenced with an engaging panel discussion, allowing participants to interact directly with the speakers. Followed by the fourth session on Digital Pedagogy by Dr. K. Thiyagu from Central University of Karnataka. Building on his session of Day 1, Dr. Thiyagu shared advanced constructive strategies for using digital tools to add a spak to the inclusivity in the classroom. The fifth Session on Question Formulation Techniques (QFT), was led by Dr. F.S. Khan, IASE, Bhopal. Dr. Khan deductively highlighted techniques for formulating effective questions and its role in enhancing the efficay of lesson, to assess and support learners' readiness and achievement levels. The sixth and the last session by Dr. Indrajeet Dutta, MANUU, Bhopal leafed through Inclusive Practice: Culture-Responsive Pedagogy. Dr. Dutta presented rational approach to culture-responsive pedagogy, emphasizing the importance of respecting and incorporating students' cultural backgrounds into teaching practices while educating.

Surely, all the participants had a bag full of nurturing harvest that will not only empower them as an educator but will also help us to bring life and to cater to the need of inclusive education system. Enhanced understanding of NEP 2020 and its implications for inclusive education. Practical strategies for addressing student diversity and learning needs. Tools for leveraging technology to create inclusive classrooms. Insights into culture-responsive teaching practices.

Conclusion and Future Directions The resource persons were the chosen pearls from the depths of knowledge, experience and wisdom! The brain storming workshop was a resounding success that equipped the enthusiastic participants with approaches and craftmanship to fecilitate inclusive classrooms. The workshop was attended by educators from various states of the country.



#### Students' Participation in the National Workshop on Inclusive Classroom Practices

The National Workshop on Inclusive Classroom Practices was successfully organized by Christ College, Bhopal, on the 14th and 15th of December 2024. The two-day workshop aimed to enhance the understanding and implementation of inclusive practices in the education sector. Students from the B.Ed. and M.Ed. programs actively participated in organizing and managing various aspects of the event, showcasing their leadership and teamwork skills.

#### Day 1: 14th December 2024

The first day commenced with a series of activities involving student participation:

O Welcoming and Felicitation: Ms. Bhawana Shrivastava (M.Ed. Sem III) and Ms. Meenakshi (B.Ed. Sem III) assisted in welcoming and felicitating the guest with a shawl and sapling. 1. Inaugural Session (9:00 to 9:30 AM)

O Registration Desk: Ms. Deeksha (B.Ed. Sem I) efficiently managed the registration process, ensuring a smooth start to the workshop.

O Welcoming the Guest and Offering a Sapling: Lairee Lakra (B.Ed. Sem I) and Kashish (M.Ed. Sem III) extended a warm welcome to the esteemed guests by presenting saplings as a symbol of growth and sustainability.

2.Tea Break

O Siddhant Dubey (B.Ed. Sem III) facilitated the tea break, ensuring that all participants were served refreshments in a timely manner.

3.Lunch Break

O Mr. Rahul Rajput and Md. Niyaz Alam (B.Ed. Sem III) coordinated the lunch arrangements with precision, ensuring a pleasant dining experience for the attendees.

4. Session 3: Digital Pedagogy

O Compering: Mrs. Bhawana Shrivastava (M.Ed. Sem III) skillfully conducted the session, introducing the speaker, Dr. K. Thiyagu, Associate Professor from the Central University of Karnataka, and maintaining the session's flow.

O Vote of Thanks: Ms. Kashish (M.Ed. Sem III) concluded the session by expressing gratitude to Dr. K. Thiyagu for his insightful talk on digital pedagogy.

5. Tea and Interaction Session

O Swati Rai (B.Ed. Sem I) facilitated interactions during the tea break, encouraging participants to share their thoughts and network.

6. Session 6: Inclusive Practice - Culture Responsive Pedagogy

O Compering: Ms. Meenakshi (B.Ed. Sem III) guided the session led by Dr. Indrajeet Dutta, ensuring a seamless experience.

#### Conclusion

The active participation of students from Christ College, Bhopal, significantly contributed to the success of the workshop. Their enthusiasm, dedication, and organizational skills reflected their commitment to learning and professional growth. The event provided them with an opportunity to engage in real-world educational practices, fostering a deeper understanding of inclusivity in classroom settings.



#### Alumni Participation in the National Workshop on Inclusive Classroom Practices

The National Workshop on Inclusive Classroom Practices was held on the 14th and 15th of December 2024 at Christ College, Bhopal. This workshop provided a platform for educators, thought leaders, and alumni to engage in a dynamic exchange of ideas on fostering inclusivity in education. Aligned with the principles of NEP 2020, the workshop celebrated the power of collaboration, innovation, and alumni engagement.

Key Highlights of Alumni Contributions

Day 1: Embarking on a Journey of Inclusion

Session 1:

The workshop began with heartfelt gratitude as Mrs. Kawandeep Kaur, a distinguished alumna, delivered the Vote of Thanks. Her presence added a personal touch as she also participated in the felicitation ceremony, presenting a memento to the session's speaker. This gesture highlighted the integral role of alumni in academic proceedings.

Session 3:

As the day progressed, Mrs. Ritambhara Singh, another eminent alumna, took the stage to close the session with a heartfelt expression of gratitude. Her active participation and presentation of the memento reinforced the deep connection alumni share with their alma mater.

Day 2: Building Bridges for the Future

Session 5:

The dedication of Mrs. Pratima Prasad, an alumna, was evident as she delivered the Vote of Thanks and facilitated the felicitation of the session's speaker. Her involvement stood as a testament to alumni's unwavering commitment to the institution's endeavors.

Session 6:

Bringing vibrancy to the day, Mrs. Syed Nazma, an alumna, played a pivotal role by expressing her gratitude and presenting a memento. Her contribution symbolized the essence of culture-responsive pedagogy discussed during the session.

Valedictory Session:

The concluding moments of the workshop were a celebration of alumni leadership:

Ms. Pooja Shrivastava, an alumna, showcased her meticulous efforts by compiling and presenting the comprehensive workshop report. Her presentation encapsulated the essence of the two-day event.

Dr. Bhavna Chawla, serving as the Alumni Association President, delivered a stirring Vote of Thanks. Her leadership underscored the significant influence of alumni in shaping the institution's narrative.

Capturing of the entire event: Mr. Arpit Baresa, B.A. alumni captured the entire event.

A Legacy of Collaboration

The vibrant participation of alumni throughout the workshop reflected their enduring bond with Christ College. Their contributions enriched the sessions, bridging the past and present to create a collective vision for the future of inclusive education. Christ College cherishes the invaluable support of its alumni and eagerly anticipates their continued collaboration in driving educational innovation and excellence.





#### **Christmas Celebration**

The spirit of Christmas filled Christ College on December 23, 2024, as the staff gathered to celebrate the joyous occasion. The celebration began with melodious carol singing by Mr. Augustin William and Ms. Jaya Saini, spreading festive cheer through their heartfelt performance.

Ms. Jaya Saini enlightened the gathering with an insightful explanation of the symbols of Christmas, emphasizing their significance in the celebration of this holy season.

In a gesture of appreciation and goodwill, the management of Christ College presented gifts to all staff members. Adding to the excitement, the tradition of "Secret Christmas Friends," initiated a month ago, culminated in the grand reveal. Laughter and joy filled the room as secret friends were disclosed, and gifts and wishes were exchanged, fostering camaraderie and festive spirit among the staff.

Rev. Fr. Johnson, the Principal, graced the occasion with his blessings and an inspiring message on the true essence of Christmas-love, hope, and giving.

The event concluded with a sense of unity and joy, leaving everyone with warm memories to cherish during the holiday season.



#### Outstanding Achievements in B.Ed. and M.Ed. Second Semester Results

Christ College celebrates the remarkable achievements of its students in the B.Ed. and M.Ed. Second Semester results, declared by Barkatullah University on November 25, 2024. In the B.Ed. Second Semester, Ms. Anjuma Kushwaha secured the first rank, followed by Ms. Antima Ahirwar in second place and Ms. Jaisla G. in third.

Similarly, in the M.Ed. Second Semester, Ms. Kashish Anamika Ward achieved the first position, with Ms. Namita Nikam securing the second and Ms. Swejal Banwari attaining the third rank.

Christ College congratulates these outstanding performers for their dedication and hard work. The management, faculty, and staff extend their best wishes for continued success and growth in their future endeavors. These achievements are a testament to the college's commitment to fostering academic excellence and holistic development.



Ms. Kashish Anamika I Rank M.Ed.



Ms. Namita Nikam II Rank M.Ed.



Ms. Sweial Banwari III Rank M.Ed.



Ms. Antima Ahriwar I Rank B.Ed.



Ms. Anjuma Kushwaha II Rank B.Ed.



Ms. Jaisla G III Rank B.Ed.

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– Vern McLellan

#### Christ College Successfully Submits All India Survey Report

On December 20, 2024, Christ College achieved a significant milestone by successfully submitting the All India Survey Report to Higher Education. This accomplishment reflects the college's commitment to maintaining academic standards and contributing to the nation's educational data system.

In recognition of this achievement, a certificate was issued to Christ College, symbolizing its dedication to transparency and excellence in higher education. The Principal, faculty, and staff extended their gratitude for the collective effort that led to this success. This achievement underscores the college's active role in shaping the future of education.



#### A New Year, A New Beginning: Embrace the Journey

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The arrival of a new year is much more than a date on the calendar; it is an opportunity for renewal, reflection, and rebirth. It whispers to us with the promise of fresh starts and untold possibilities. A new year is not just a time to celebrate; it is a chance to reset our aspirations, refine our goals, and rekindle the spark within us that fuels our dreams. As we step into the new year, it is essential to pause and reflect on the journey so far. Every success and every setback carries a lesson, a story of resilience and growth. By embracing our achievements with gratitude and viewing our failures as stepping stones, we create a foundation of wisdom upon which to build a brighter future. The past need not define us; it is merely a chapter in our life story. The power to write the next chapter lies entirely in our hands. The new year gives us a chance to take that blank page and fill it with hope, courage, and determination.

Setting Intentions, Not Just Resolutions

While resolutions are often associated with the new year, they can sometimes feel restrictive or overwhelming. Instead, consider setting intentions. Unlike rigid goals, intentions are grounded in purpose and are more flexible, encouraging us to adapt and grow without the pressure of perfection.

For instance, instead of resolving to "lose 10 kilograms," set an intention to "prioritize health and well-being." This shift in mindset allows room for progress and fosters self-compassion. Intentions guide our actions while leaving space for unexpected joys and learning experiences.

Embracing Change and Letting Go

A new beginning requires us to let go of what no longer serves us. This could mean releasing old grudges, shedding selfdoubt, or stepping out of our comfort zones. Change can be intimidating, but it is the only path to growth.Imagine the new year as a seed. To grow into a flourishing tree, the seed must break through its shell and push through the soil, reaching for sunlight. Similarly, we must embrace discomfort and uncertainty to reach our full potential. The process may be challenging, but the rewards are worth it.

Cultivating Gratitude and Positivity

As we set our sights on new horizons, let gratitude be our compass. Gratitude transforms our perspective, helping us focus on what we have rather than what we lack. It fuels optimism, strengthens relationships, and nurtures a sense of contentment. Celebrate small victories and cherish the people who support you. Surround yourself with positivity and seek joy in everyday moments. The new year is as much about the journey as it is about the destination.

Take Action, One Step at a Time

Dreams and intentions are the starting point, but action is what brings them to life. Break down your aspirations into manageable steps. Celebrate each milestone, no matter how small, for progress is progress. Remember, the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

It is also important to be kind to yourself along the way. Success is not always linear, and setbacks are a natural part of the process. Treat yourself with the same compassion you would offer a dear friend.

Looking Ahead with Hope

The new year is a canvas waiting for your brushstrokes. As you move forward, carry hope in your heart and determination in your stride. Believe in your ability to create the life you desire, one choice at a time.

Every sunrise brings a fresh chance to start anew, but the new year magnifies this sense of possibility. Let it inspire you to dream boldly, love deeply, and live authentically. The best is yet to come, and it begins with you.

So, as the clock strikes midnight and the world celebrates, take a moment to breathe deeply and embrace the promise of a new beginning. Step forward with courage, and let this year be the one where you shine your brightest.

### List of Important Days in January

1 January – Global Family Day

It is celebrated as a day of peace and sharing. Its aim is to unite and spread a message of peace by considering and promoting the idea that Earth is one Global Family so as to make the world a better place to live for everyone.

2 January- World Introvert Day

January 2, the day following the dreaded celebrations of the previous year is observed as World Introvert Day in order to better understand the numerous introverts all over the world. It is the ideal day to honor introverts by giving them the time and space they require.

9 January - NRI (Non-Resident Indian) or Pravasi Bhartiya Divas

NRI or Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is observed every year on 9 January to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community towards the development of India. This day also commemorates the return of Mahatma Gandhi from South Africa to Mumbai on 9 January 1915.

10 January - World Hindi Day Vishwa Hindi Diwas is an annual event observed on Jaunary 10. World Hindi Day was created to mark the occasion when Hindi was first spoken at the UNGA in 1949. With nearly 600 million speakers worldwide.

#### 11 January – Death anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri

He was the second Prime Minister of Independent India. He popularised the slogan 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan' He actively participated in India's freedom struggle. Due to cardiac arrest, he died on 11 January 1966. And he was also known as the 'Man of Peace' globally

11 January - National Human Trafficking Awareness Day

It is observed on 11 January to spread awareness about the persistent issue of human trafficking. This day aims is to raise awareness about the plight of human trafficking victims, as well as to promote and protect their rights.

12 January – National Youth Day

The birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda also called Swami Vivekananda Jayanti is celebrated every year on 12 January. He was born on 12 January 1863. The government had decided to observe it as Rashtriya Yuva Diwas because the philosophy of Swamiji and the ideals for which he lived and worked could be a great source of inspiration for the Indian Youth. He had given a speech at the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago and glorified India's name.

13 January - Lohri Festival

Lohri is the first festival of the year which marks the beginning of the harvest season. It is celebrated with full enthusiasm in northern India, mainly Punjab, and Haryana. Lohri festival is celebrated on 13 or 14 January by lighting up a bonfire and dancing around it with friends and relatives. Wheat stalk, rice, rewri, jaggery, and popcorn are offered by the people at the bonfire.

14 January - Maker Sankranti

This year it will be celebrated on 14 January and marks the termination of the winter season and the beginning of a new harvest season.

One of the most popular festivals in India is Pongal and is celebrated widely by the Tamil community across the globe. As per the Tamil solar calendar, Pongal is celebrated in Tai month. It is a four-day event that is dedicated to the Sun God. It is a four-day festival. Therefore, it will be celebrated from 14 January to 17 January 2025.

28 January- Birth Anniversary of Lala Lajpat Rai

Lala Lajpat Rai was born on 28 January, 1865 in Punjab. He was a prominent nationalist leader who played an important role in India's struggle for freedom. He also earned the title of 'Punjab Kesari' or 'the Lion of Punjab'. He initiated the foundation of the Punjab National Bank. He died on 17 November 1928, due to serious injuries. The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences in Hisar, Haryana is named after Lala Lajpat Rai.

#### 30 January – Martyrs Day or Shaheed Diwas

30 January is celebrated as Martyr's Day or Shaheed Diwas every year in memory of Mahatma Gandhi and the sacrifice of three revolutionaries of India. As of 30January 1948, the Father of Nation was assassinated. And on 23rd March 3 heroes namely Bhagat Singh, Shivaram Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar of the nation were hanged to death by the British.