

# Xavier Vista

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## Silver Jubilee and Foundation Day Celebrations

The inaugural function of the Silver Jubilee year of college was held on 3rd Dec. 2012. His Grace William D'Souza, Archbishop of Patna, was the Chief Guest. The celebration started with the hosting of the Jubilee Flag, and releasing of pigeons and balloons, followed by the Holy Eucharistic celebration. Thereafter, the cultural programme started, with the prayer Dance by Shibi and group. The Welcome Song was led by Shubhalaxmi and Group 'YE HAWAYEN KAH RAHI HAI SWAGAT'.

A video presentation of the past 24 years journey was presented by Deep Kumar, Lecturer and Vijay Khalkho, Technical Staff depicting the college history and the different batches of students. Rithika and group danced on the Dhangra tune and the colorful programme 'BIHAR KI JHALAK' depicted Bihar's Culture, tradition and Chhath Puja. Krishnawati and group presented a Dandiya Dance 'GHUNGAT MAI CHAND HOGA'. Shri Prakash and group came with a Qawwali 'JUBILEE KA DIN AYA HAI, XAVIER'S KE IS PRANGAN ME', The Nagpuri Dance by Sushil Bhengra and group was the main attraction. The Former faculty members of the college Mr. P.S. Raj, Mr. Philip Jacob, Mr. S.S. Lall, Mr. L.B. Panday, Mr. Shyam Kumar, Mrs. Bakshi and Mrs. Jaya Rashmi Sahay were felicitated by the Chief Guest.



Chief Guest Archbishop H.G. William D'Souza releasing the Jubilee Calendar

On this occasion a Jubilee Calendar and the proceeding of the UGC sponsored National Seminar held on 10-11 Feb., 2012 in the form of a book 'THE ROLE OF ICT IN TEACHER EDUCATION' was released. During the cultural programme, the winner of both English and Hindi essay competitions were awarded prizes. In the English Group Anumeha, Sushil Bhengra and Mary Irene Osta and in the Hindi Group Anil Bhengra, Archana and Kanchan were awarded. In his message Fr. P.T. Augustine S.J., the founding Principal said, "He had seen the seed being planted to take care of the teachers' requirement in Bihar and the past 24 years the college is standing on the dream." Fr. Thomas Karthanam S.J. Second Principal of the college recalled the hard times he had in order to bring the college to this state. Fr. Jose Vadassery, S.J., Provincial of Patna Province, thanked the former and the present principals for working hard and giving the college the status it enjoys today. Addressing the audience the Chief Guest thanked the Jesuits for rendering their services by forming competent, efficient and well motivated trained teachers for Bihar and Country. Vote of thanks was proposed by the college Principal Fr. Thomas Perumalil, S.J. The programme ended with the College Anthem and a fellowship meal.



Welcome Song led by Shubhalaxmi and Group

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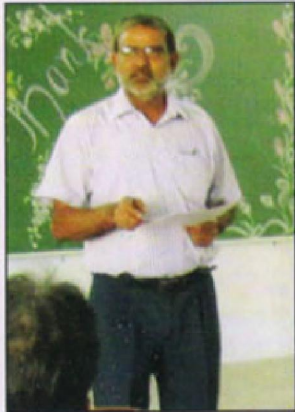
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The scintillating Bhangra performance by Shri Prakash and group

## Practice Teaching Round Up

Practice teaching occupies a key position in the programme of teacher education. It is a culminating experience in teacher preparation. It provides an opportunity to the prospective beginning teachers to become socialized into the profession (Furlong et.al, 1988). Performance during practice teaching provides some basis for predicting the future success of the teacher. Outgoing popularity and centrality of practice teaching is an important contributing factor towards the quality of teacher education programme. During practice teaching working with students in schools provides a high degree of emotional involvement of a mostly positive nature. Student teachers feel themselves growing through the experience of practice teaching and they begin to link to a culture of teaching. During practice teaching, they feel engaged, challenged and even empowered. At our college the preparation for practice teaching began with a seminar on Microteaching. Faculty members of each method gave a model class and Content test was administered. Workshop on IPP, Video recording and viewing of Micro Teaching and a Seminar on Visual Aids were some of the major elements before practice teaching. Later from 20th September to 5th November the student-teachers were sent to different Government and Private Schools for their teaching practice.



Bro. Felix Martis, SG  
addressing B.Ed. students

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## 3 New Teaching Methods

**Spaced Learning:** Spaced Learning is a learning method in which the condensed learning content is repeated three times, with two 10-minute breaks during which activities such as physical activities are performed by the students. Spaced learning involves encouraging students to quickly switch through activities. For example, providing ten minutes of knowledge on the nervous system with a PowerPoint presentation and then having 15 minutes of basketball would be the way to get the better grades. The key is in the brain cells. It helps them to create the connections that they need to actually remember the knowledge.

**Flexible Fridays:** At Flexible Fridays lessons a teacher try to help each student to study and learn what is the most difficult for him/her personally. Somebody repeats, somebody learns. It makes it more convenient for students as now they can focus on one thing while in school. It means that students don't have a breaking point by spending hours struggling with a subject along at home. Teachers also find it easier as they can keep their lesson plans and simply go over them again with a more personal touch. Flexible Friday lessons are more in-touch with students and gives focused study time that can help students grasp difficult concepts.

**Engagement:** Under this new teaching method called students are urged to engage with the real world, analyse everything that happens in different life spheres. Instead of conventional teaching methods, students were taken to visit local businesses where they were able to witness how the knowledge that they were learning applied to the real world.

New methods of teaching have the purpose to improve the quality of education and involve students in educational process. Innovations mean a progress and development.

## The Kavi Goshthi

A Kavi Goshthi was organized in our College on Saturday, 23rd February, 2013. Being the silver jubilee year of the college the topic was **Our College**. Sixteen trainees took part in the Kavi Goshti in English and Hindi group. Fr. Thomas Perumail S.J., Principal of the College introduced the judges for the competition. Dr. Raymond Cherubim from Sanjiven Nivas and Fr. Johnson Kelakath Assistant Parish Priest of Kurji Parish were the judges for the competition.



Kavi Goshthi : Precipitants and award winners

The criteria of judgment were Topic interpretation and emphasis, Presentation of Matter, Audibility, Accuracy of Pronunciation, Poise, Naturalness, gestures, Emotion, Creativity and General effects One by one all the poets in their own poetic way tried to express their feelings for the college and their experience in this college for the past one year. Mary Irène Osta, Shree Prakash, Anumeha and Ankit Raj bagged the top three spots while Jyoti Veena Dang and Ati Priya were awarded consolation prizes. Speaking on the occasion Fr. Johnson and Fr. Raymond expressed their happiness for being invited for the goshti and said they were taken aback to see the student-teachers having such creativity and poetic skills. While giving away the prizes the college Principal Fr. Thomas Perumail S.J., congratulated the participants and appreciated the hard work they had put into composing and reciting the poem. Members of the college faculty were present for the Kavi Goshti.

## साम्प्रदायिक सद्भावना अभियान सप्ताह

19 से 24 नवम्बर 2012 तक महाविद्यालय में साम्प्रदायिक सद्भावना अभियान सप्ताह मनाया गया। राष्ट्रीय साम्प्रदायिक सद्भावना प्रतिष्ठान की स्थापना एक स्वायत्त संगठन के रूप में गृह मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के साथ की गई है। इसकी स्थापना का मुख्य उद्देश्य साम्प्रदायिक, जातीय, वंशीय अथवा आतंकवादी आदि हिंसा के शिकार हुए बच्चों के शारीरिक और मानसिक पुनर्वास में सहायता प्रदान करना तथा साम्प्रदायिक सद्भाव, भ्रातृत्व एवं राष्ट्रीय एकता को बढ़ावा देना और ऐसे बच्चों की देख-रेख, शिक्षा एवं प्रशिक्षण पर विशेष बल देना है। गृहमंत्री प्रतिष्ठान की शासी परिषद के अध्यक्ष हैं। संत जेवियर्स परिवार इस नेक कार्य के प्रति पूरी तरह वचनबद्ध है। हम विश्वास करते हैं कि हम सब भारतीय हैं, हम सब एक हैं।

## क्रिसमस आया, खुशियाँ लाया

शांति और प्रेम का प्रतीक पर्व क्रिसमस जब आया, तो उसकी खुशियों से झूम उठा संत जेवियर्स शिक्षा महाविद्यालय का सारा प्रांगण। शनिवार, 22 दिसम्बर को सान्ता बाबा के पधारने के साथ ही पूरा माहौल आनन्दमय हो उठा। फादर थोमस पेरूमालिल (प्रधानाचार्य), डॉ. मधु सिंह, श्री आर.एन.आर मजुमदार और मिस अलीशा द्वारा दीप प्रज्वलन के साथ सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम आरंभ हुआ। 'चुप है चन्दा' हिन्दी कैरल गीत के द्वारा सबका स्वागत किया गया। देवदूत द्वारा मरियम को संदेश, ख्रीस्त का जन्म, चरवाहों व तीन राजाओं का आना एवं बालक येसु को नमन व भेंट चढ़ाने की इस घटना को नाटिका के रूप में प्रस्तुत किया गया। अंग्रेजी कैरल 'जॉय टू द वर्ल्ड', हिन्दी कैरल 'ओ गाओ रे', सादरी कैरल 'शीत पानी झराये', भोजपुरी कैरल 'चमकत आवे' आदि कार्यक्रम के मुख्य आकर्षण बने। 'मरियम की कारा में' गीत के ताल पर मनोहारी नागपुरी नृत्य प्रस्तुत किया गया जिसमें सभी ने भाग लिया।

प्रधानाचार्य फादर थोमस पेरूमालिल द्वारा अपने क्रिसमस संदेश में भावी शिक्षकों को प्रेम, शान्ति व खुशी के संदेश को अपनी हर कक्षा में ले जाने का आह्वान किया और कहा कि येसु का यह संदेश अपने छात्रों को बाँटें। इसके बाद क्रिसमस पापा ने जिंगल बेल की धुन में नाचते, हाथ मिलाते हुए सभागार में प्रवेश किया। सभी को क्रिसमस पापा द्वारा पुरस्कार दिये गये व खुशियाँ बाँटी गयीं।



क्रिसमस के रंग में गाता-नाचता-झूमता महाविद्यालय परिवार

## T.B. Seal Campaign

The 63rd Tuberculosis (TB) Seal campaign was organised at St. Xavier's College of Education from January 14 to 19 January to create awareness about TB and to generate funds for implementing anti-TB programmes. The campaign concluded on Saturday 19th, January 2013. B.Ed. Students participated in the campaign and sensitised people about tuberculosis. College Principal Fr. Thomas Perumalil, Faculty member Dr. Madhu Singh and others led the campaign. The students collected Rs. 2400 by selling 1,200 stamps of the Bihar TB Association. "The proceeds from the campaign would be sent to the association to ensure implementation of anti-TB programmes," said Prof. Fr. Thomas Perumalil, S.J.



Two more colourful views of the Silver Jubilee and Foundation Day Celebrations

## Seminar on Human Rights : A Report

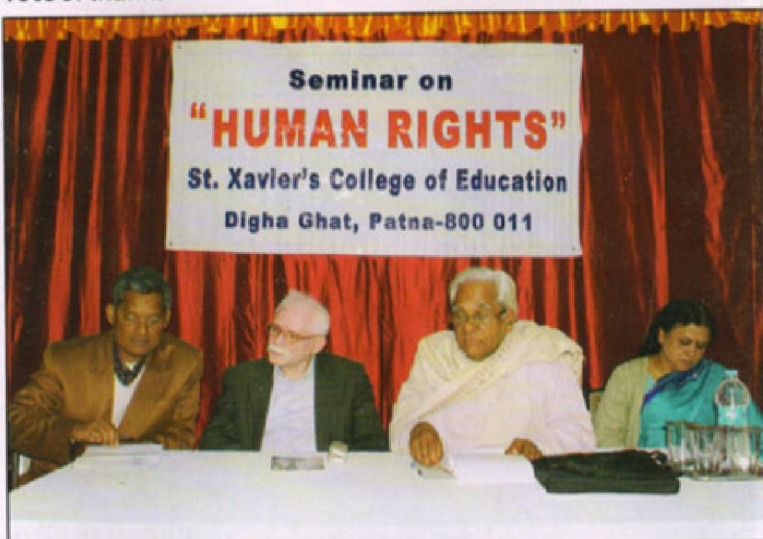
Seminar on Human Rights was organized for the students of SXCE on Friday, 1st February, 2013. The seminar began with an inter-religious prayer service followed by playing the song 'Dushman Dusara nahi, Dushman Bahar nahi, Apane Dil Ke Bhitari' edited by Deep Kumar, Assistant Professor of the College. In his welcome address Dr. (Fr.) Ignatius Topno S.J., welcomed the guest speakers Fr. Philip Manthara S.J., President, PUCL, Bihar, Dr. Daisy Narayan, President, State Child Rights Board, Bihar and Vice-President PUCL, Bihar and Mr. Vinay Kanth, member, PUCL, Bihar.

Dr. (Fr.) Ignatius in his address said, "Seminar on Human Rights is one of the yearly features of the college and it's very important for you future teachers to become aware of human rights and to inculcate the same knowledge in your students when you play the role of a teacher."

Fr. Philip Manthara S.J. in his speech said, "As humans we have natural rights and as nobody gives us this right, no one has the right to take them away from us." He said that as the future teachers of the nation especially Bihar, they have a great role to play to bring human rights awareness among their students. He also presented examples citing in the name of development many Musahar community members have lost their habitation and nobody was ready to provide shelter to them.

Based on legal matters, Prof. Vinay Kanth gave many examples of false encounter, custodial death, police harassment and how the innocent people were trapped without any grave reason are put behind the bars. He also explained about the International Understanding of Human Rights.

Referring to child rights, Prof. Daisy Narayan, President, State Child Rights Board, Bihar, said, "Every child has the right to life, good health, sanitation and education." She highlighted the crime and violence committed against women in our society. She said every child has a right to get free and compulsory education till the age of 14 and nobody can deprive them from this constitutional right. She said, "War is won not on the battle field, but is won in our own primary classrooms." In the end, Sanjay Kumar proposed the vote of thanks.



Seminar on Human Rights in progress

## Quiz Contest, 2013

College conducted a quiz competition on 12th January, 2013 Saturday to apprise students about the current affairs. The quizmaster gave tips to students in advance as pre-quiz preparation and the art of conducting quiz competitions when they would take up teaching as a career.



Quiz Contest participants with Fr. Principal and teachers

The areas covered were History, Geography, Science, Sports, literature, Culture, Entertainment, Information Technology and special round question based on the College. In all 12 rounds were held. Each round also had questions for the audience. Assistant Professor Deep Kumar was the quizmaster while Prof. Preeti Sinha was the jury of appeal. At the end, all four houses-Tagore, Gandhi, Aurobindo and Zakir - tied for the top spot.

Principal Fr. Thomas Perumalil stressed the importance of quiz contests in refreshing students' minds. All quizzers were given certificates.

## COMPUTER TRAINING

Our student-teachers had a hands on experience in a space out manner in our computer lab to develop skills in preparing educational packages and PowerPoint presentations in their own subjects.

## B.Ed. Admissions 2013-14 : Schedule

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| 1. Application Forms Given Out:   | 25th March to 8th April, 2013<br>(9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon) |
| 2. Entrance Test (Written):       | 14th April, 2013<br>(8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.)              |
| 3. Interviews & Group Discussions | 15th-17th April, 2013                                     |
| 4. List of Candidate Selected     | 23rd April, 2013<br>(9:00 a.m.)                           |
| 5. Date of Admission:             | 26th-28th June, 2013<br>(8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)          |
| 6. Classes commence:              | From 1st July, 2013<br>(10:00 a.m.)                       |