



GIRIDEEPAM HERALD

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MY SECOND HOME

My school is Girideepam. My school is very big. I love my school. In my school, teachers are our best friends. We can share everything and they are always with us. It's a great thing to get teachers as best friends. They prepare students for every situation. The best thing about Girideepam is, it has a big playground. I have many friends in school. Principal, teachers, students and everyone makes my school the best.



Anupama S Warriar
5A



Sri. Jiji Thomson IAS, Former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Kerala, inaugurates Girideepam Excellencia, 2022



Rahul Laxman, Playback Singer, inaugurates Kids Fest & Graduation Ceremony, 2022-23

My Journey at Girideepam

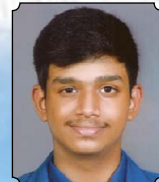
It is said that the memories one experiences during their childhood often turn out to be the most wonderful and cherished ones during their span here in this world. Well, we might not be old enough to completely agree on this viewpoint, but there is no doubt that our life here at Girideepam has created a lot of beautiful moments that we are grateful to be a part of

Time flies past quickly and all of a sudden, my time here at GBCS is drawing to a close with me ready to open a new chapter in my life. There are times when I still remember rushing around the corridors of my lower primary classes during lunch breaks to being a very shy person in activities. Over this period I made a lot of good friends and came across several situations where I had to take decision, but almost every time I had the support and guidance of my teachers and parents.

COVID-19 came in as a bit of disappointment because we were not able to interact and get involved in the programmes and kalotsav that Girideepam used to proudly host and compete for the Grand Prize. Fast forward to 12th Grade and I found myself holding the prestigious post as the Head Boy of this Institution, as a representative for all the students.

We are all familiar with the phrase - "With Great power comes Great Responsibility". The stint as the Head Boy of the School made me face a lot of challenges but also helped me to understand certain times call for unity and teamwork which will help break our goals into smaller tasks and achieve our goals. We were able to conduct the festivals and programmes as expected even though all the activities were being held after a long gap of 2 years. In the midst of all this, the bond between people grew much stronger.

Stepping down from this, Institution after 12 years doesn't feel easy. But there are lots more to explore out in this amazing world. I will always be thankful to everyone who supported me through every phase of this school journey and hope that we all realize our deepest desires for achievement. 15 years later, I would love to gather around with my friends to talk about how everything has been going and how we enjoyed our time at Girideepam and hopefully get our answer to the statement as to whether those were the most wonderful memories created.



Abel Varghese Roy,
XII.B
Head Boy (GBCS)

STAR SHINES AT NIGHT

Broad wings of sun gives no reason
For the little star to shine
Realized by the moon at mercy
Wrapped in darkness against the cold
It bakes cookies with choco chips
The choco chips nod to the moon's reason
Being selfless it unwraps itself
Sprawling it across for the little star.
The little star is afraid
Wishing to crumble like its late sisters.
But suddenly she feels warm
And the moon's mascot smiles.
She initiates flow in the veins
that think moon is selfish
and flushes out the mind flayer.
Together they shine at night



Stella Maria Sajan
XI.A



Annual Sports Day Celebration



From the Editor's Desk...

Once again, welcome to the third edition of bi-annual newsletter of Girideepam!

Journey of every student's life is filled with full of cherishing moments of joy mixed with challenging opportunities, victories, setbacks, and so on. The motto of Girideepam, 'In Pursuit of Excellence', reflects its uniqueness echoed in every phase of school's activity. Girideepam Bethany group of schools believe that the fundamental purpose of education is to encourage children to bring about a positive reform in their deeds as they gradually ascend the ladder of learning and knowledge.

By providing real life experiences in pursuance of excellent careers in the highly competitive modern world, Girideepam not only teaches its students to perform well but also supports them in their decision making for future. Instead of giving readymade solutions, Girideepam provides opportunities for students, nurture their inquisitiveness and learn new things every day. The school curriculum is designed to incorporate diverse extracurricular activities in order to ensure holistic development of each student suitable to their needs. The key purpose is to provide an exposure to various activities and experiences from an early age which gives children an opportunity to try any activity that intrigues them.

No one reaches his or her personal potential without facing obstacles, setbacks and challenges along the way. Students who are successful at persisting through obstacles, setbacks, uncertainties, doubts and sometimes fear, find a way to keep a sense of purpose, passion or perceptive in their pursuit of excellence. Living a life of excellence is about the dedicated pursuit of steady improvement. While success is measured against others, excellence should be measured against students own potential.

Students of Girideepam are all-round performers living the drama of life in different ways in different contexts. They are all capable of pursuing their dreams and reaching goals. It has a cohort of thought provoking articulate children. It is a place full of nurturing, self-care, diversity and life lessons. We adapt when we need to and we strive to ensure everyone comes and leaves feeling happy, safe and respected.

Education has an impact on everything we see, do and believe in our world. We are facing unusual days ahead and the future is unknown. In such a challenging world, we teach kids how to think for themselves and nurture their inquisitiveness and encourage them to ask questions. We encourage their innovativeness thereby helping them to transform the world through their novel ideas. The whole team that works at Girideepam Institutions have in common a passion for teaching, values that unify us in our cause and as spirit for sharing experiences with our students.

Editorial Team

Director's Message

Dear students and teachers,
I am writing this message to express my deepest appreciation and admiration for the incredible effort and teamwork that went into making our school bulletin, Girideepam Herald, so colourful and vibrant. The creativity and dedication displayed by all those involved have truly made our school community shine.
The school bulletin serves as a platform to showcase our achievements, highlight important events and share valuable information. It is a reflection of the collective spirit and talent within our school. And I must say, this recent edition has surpassed all expectations.
The vibrant colours and catching designs have brought life to our bulletin, captivating the attention of all who see it. The meticulous attention to detail and the thought put into every page is evident and

commendable. It is evident that every contributor poured their hearts and souls into making this bulletin a true work of art.

Furthermore, I want to acknowledge the outstanding teamwork that was clearly at play during the creation of the bulletin. From brainstorming ideas to drafting content, editing and graphic designing, each step required seamless coordination and a shared vision. The collaborative effort put forth by everyone involved is a testament to your commitment to excellence.

By working together, you have not only created a visually stunning bulletin, but you have also fostered a sense of unity and collaboration within our school community. You have proven that when individuals with diverse talents and perspectives come together, the possibilities are truly limitless.

I am incredibly grateful and proud of each and every one of you who contributed to the creation of this

exceptional bulletin. Your dedication and teamwork have a set a benchmark for future editions, and I have no doubt that our schools will continue to excel in any endeavour we undertake.

As we look ahead, let us remember the power of teamwork and the beauty of collaboration. Together, we can achieve greatness and create a vibrant and thriving school community.

Once again, thank you for your exceptional effort and teamwork in producing a bulletin that not only informs but also inspires and delights. You have truly made our school shine.

With utmost appreciation,

Fr. Joseph Noble OIC
Director, Girideepam Bethany Institutions & Principal, GBSCS



N. Anantajit Menon III-A

My ALMA-MATER

School is the place where we start our learning.

Girideepam Schools with its motto "In Pursuit of Excellence" enable each student to become vibrant in different areas. Apart from learning to read, write and excel in academics, Girideepam also teaches us valuable life lessons that we can incorporate in our daily lives.

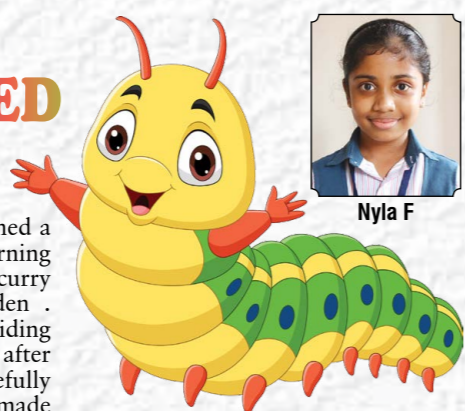
Girideepam has a positive schooling climate. When compared to other schools, Girideepam is different in several perspectives. It is one of the schools in Kottayam which has the biggest infrastructure which makes it unique. All schools provide education, but Girideepam is special because of their Well- educated and trained faculty, facility, and future guidance. Girideepam instils a sense of responsibility and hardworking spirit to all of its students.

Each exam, each activity and each lesson are aimed towards making each student to learn and grow. Right from the beginning each Girideepian is taught to be morally responsible in all his actions. Girideepam not only teaches us the importance of education but also teaches how discipline is important in our life. Each and every day in Girideepam is unforgettable to me...that much precious values I am acquiring from Girideepam. In all perspectives, my school Girideepam is Unique. I feel really blessed to be a Girideepian.....



Nathania Ann Epan (9 B)

AN UNEXPECTED GUEST



Nyla F

This is a true story that happened a few days ago. It was a usual morning, my mother went to pick some curry leaves from our kitchen garden. She noticed a tiny caterpillar hiding in the bunch of curry leaves after reaching home. We took it carefully and put him in a glass jar and made some holes on the cap. We kept the jar beside the window.

My brother and me were curious to see the changes happening to the caterpillar. We noticed that caterpillar was moving frequently in the initial days and after about 3-4 days it moved to the top of the jar and stayed still. Then it transformed into a Pupa.

Days of excitement followed. Then

we were eagerly waiting for the butterfly. Atlast it happened! A beautiful black butterfly with red and white stripes and spots on its wings came out from the pupa.

As soon as we opened the jar it flew away leaving some beautiful memories in our minds and a little pain in our hearts.

Honestly, it was the most beautiful butterfly I have ever seen in my life!



IMPORTANCE OF BOOKS

Reading books is a very good habit. Books give us knowledge. Books help us to learn new languages. It shows us a new world. Reading books make us a better person. Books are our best friends. I love to read books. I have a small collection of books. My favourite book is Roald Dahl's 'The Giraffe And The Pelly And Me'. Books are a great source of motivation.



Aditya Nair (3 A)

RAINBOW



Oh! My rainbow,
My beauty rainbow
My lovely rainbow
My sweetly rainbow.

What a beauty to see you,
What a colourful to see you,
You look like a princess,
You look like a queen.

You are my best friend
You are my good friend,
You are my life
You are my all.



Gowri Balunath (3 A)

need, to shape their own lives and contribute to the lives of others. We set expectations high. We have been aiming to do more than prepare young people for the world of work; we have been equipping children with the skills they need to become active, responsible and engaged citizens. We have achieved a lot but we have so much more yet to achieve.

There is lot of heritage in our history, and inspired by this past, we are pressing forward to bring our very PURPOSE - that is, Transformation through Education - to life in this world that is changing faster than ever. Seeing possibilities, where others perceive impossibilities. And inspiration, where there are obstacles. Knowing that by pioneering the noble task of unlocking potential, we are creating transformative leaders tomorrow's world needs. Living in an era characterised by a new explosion of scientific knowledge and a growing array of complex societal problems, Girideepam is marching forward with the paramount aspiration *Inspire, Prepare and Empower children to be successful in the ever-changing world.

May God Bless You All

Fr. Saiju Kurian OIC
Principal
GBHSS.

MY FASCINATING TRIP

It felt like a dream for me when I landed, Idukki. It was a busy two-day trip, but the memory was long-lasting. Here's how it went.

Streets surrounded by lush green forests all along the way and a beautiful destination I reached Idukki hill station, a place blessed with natural beauty. I was able to see nature at its best from the top. The cool breeze, lush green plantations, crystal clear water and beautiful over head clouds offered a divine experience.

Hill view park a natural garden is a perfect place to get a breathtaking view of the Idukki Dam and

Cheruthoni Dam. The garden has a children's park and also has a risky rides, where I experienced a rope way ride, it was a tremendous and amazing risky ride. Then we reached Idukki dam where we have to walk inside the mountain tunnel to reach both Idukki and Cheruthoni Dam.

Next day, I explored beautiful places like Ramakkalmedu, Nedumkandam where I saw Wind Mills, a huge one at the top of the mountains. At Ramakkalmedu, we climbed up towards the top of the mountain...from the edge of the mountain I saw the border of Tamil Nadu. From the top, I

could see houses and the paddy fields which looked very tiny. It was a mind blowing view. Then we reached Thekkady, which is famous for wildlife sanctuary. The most exciting thing at Thekkady was boat cruise, where the boat travelled through Periyar lake. While enjoying the cruise the most exciting part of them all is that we spotted elegant deers, huge elephants and huge bison.

My visit and stay at Idukki was a remarkable experience for me. A journey that went extremely well right from the beginning. I enjoyed a lot with my parents.

SPARK - LP SECTION PROGRAMME



Making A Difference

"Different is good, and being different is what makes us stand out in the world".

All schools provide education but what makes them different is their faculty, facility and future guidance. As a student who is studying in Girideepam for the past eleven years I have realised that there are so many unique factors for Girideepam as an educational institution throughout these years.

The main uniqueness of Girideepam is the campus itself. Girideepam has a healthy atmosphere for studying. Fresh air and greenery are also an attractive factor of the campus. The main highlights of Girideepam institutions are eco-friendly and clean campus. Girideepam has the biggest infrastructure which makes it more unique. Girideepam institutions have the facility to teach a child from kindergarten to professional courses. There are only a few institutions in Kottayam which include kindergarten to college under an umbrella. Girideepam

concentrate not only in education but also in physical health of each and every student.

School management also play a significant role in developing the hidden talents in every student. Volleyball and basketball competition with teams participating from all over Kerala is a feature of Girideepam. The vast outdoor ground and spacious indoor stadium also gives uniqueness to Girideepam.

Girideepam institutions gave high importance to prayer and faith. The chapel in the campus helps to maintain the character of students and enlighten faith in them. A qualified counsellor is also available in the campus to provide better mental healthcare and to share the problems of students which is also a unique factor of Girideepam schools. Kindergarten is one of the most unique features of Girideepam with well trained and high qualified teachers. The school management is so friendly with parents as well as students.



Parvathi R Krishna (9 B)

As we are living in a technological world Girideepam provides smart class rooms and computer labs for students. Also, Girideepam has not failed to think of reading and enlarging the habit of reading in students therefore Girideepam had issued great libraries to enrich the students with knowledge. And for sure the high qualified and well experienced teachers of State syllabus, CBSE syllabus and Gial are the light and soul of Girideepam.

Actually, we are not only learning from books but also also learning from friends, teachers, seniors etc. It is our atmosphere which teaches us a lot and that is why my school plays a very important role in building our future. I am proud that I'm a student at one of the best and unique Schools in Kerala.



MY FAVOURITE CARTOON

Tom and Jerry is my favourite cartoon. Tom is the cat and Jerry, the mouse. I love to watch Tom and Jerry. They live together in the same home doing lots of mischievous things which makes me to laugh. They always fight but their friendship lives forever. I like this cartoon very much.



Aphrem Jacob Thomas (I A)

MY SCHOOL MY WORLD

My name is Jeevan 1'm a 6th grader at GIRIDEEPAM School. My school life is surely a learning experience. The confidence and motivation it gave me, I couldn't get anywhere else. Most importantly, it is the place where I shaped my personality and I recognised my uniqueness and individuality.

My school life is not less than a treasure for me, My school made me learn something new almost everyday. It helped to gain understanding and to succeed not only in studies but also in co-curricular activities. My school is very clean and beautiful compared to other schools. In my school the teachers are maintaining a very good friendly relationships with the students. They are so polite at talking and very kind. We celebrate every single festival at our school. We have school library which contains thousands of books. Our library maintains silence. We can borrow books from there and return after a week. We have a really big playground. My school has an indoor stadium in which we conduct our programs like annual day, kids fest and tournaments of volleyball and basketball. I am sure I will experience more good things at my school. I love my GIRIDEEPAM Bethany School.



Jeevan J. Puthenpurackal 6C

Winners of SAHODAYA KALOLTSAV 2022



Aina Sajan



Ann Mary Paramundayil



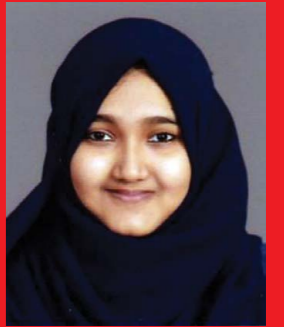
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Ephrim Johnson Daniel



Jenit Mariya



Khadeeja Naurin



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Pranav Harish



Samuel George Koyickal



Shaun Mathew Siby

Wisdom Heights

Girideepam is one of the well-known schools in Kerala. Have you ever wondered what makes Girideepam Unique and the Best? As a student who has spent past 5 years in Girideepam, I would like to share some of my opinions. First of all, it is the infrastructure and ambience. The arrangement of Kindergarten, GBHSS, GBCS and GIAL is amazing. The grounds, canteen, trees and plants are perfect add-ons. The faculties of Girideepam are helpful and caring. The management and Principal are understanding and always do stand by our side. The teachers are loving and supportive. They are cooperative and always help us by correcting our mistakes in academic and non-academic fields. The interactive teaching methods make students attentive and involved in class. Even the non-teaching staff members have a special position in our hearts. Another great unique feature I've seen in Girideepam is the amount of importance which the management gives to extra-curricular activities. Girideepam has a sports hostel and teams for basketball, volleyball, football, athletics, etc.... Girideepam conducts tournaments for basketball and volleyball every year in which teams from different schools compete. No matter whichever team is competing, the trophy always

stays in Girideepam. The mental care given to the students by Girideepam is appreciable. There is a dedicated counsellor to hear and solve the problems of students. School also conduct moral classes and counselling sessions for students. Last but not least we students are also a unique feature of Girideepam. Our Friendship and memories make Girideepam a flawless place. Every pillar of Girideepam has some unique stories and memories to share.



Jeffrey M James (XII - A)



Liya Susan Abraham (XB) Rajya Puraskar Guide

REFLECTING BACK

Best narration comes from the best experience and I am sure that this is going to be my best narration. I joined Girideepam in my 11th grade. As covid was on its peak most of my 11th class was online. Being an introvert and staying away from my home, parents and friends, adapting to a new atmosphere hit hard on me at first. But soon I was able to adapt to the change and started enjoying my school and hostel life such that it became my 2nd home.

During online classes at first I found it difficult, but the teachers were so supportive and they helped a lot to overcome my insecurities. By the end of 11th grade our regular offline classes started and now being in 12 and very close to my boards, I realize the fact that my school life is going to end and with pain I understand we all need to go through this stage of life. I

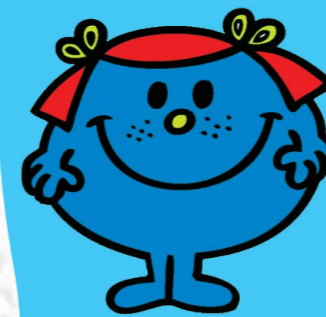
was never a perfect student nor a bad one. These two years were the best in my school life. I have learnt a lot of things both from text book as well as from life and I am so happy that I selected Girideepam for my further studies. It was my pleasure to be a part of this school and memories will always remain close to my heart. All I have to tell the younger ones is that there are 365 days and each day and each hour offers an irreplaceable golden opportunity so use it wisely. I am sincerely grateful to this school. I thank each and everyone of this school and hostel for making me who I am now.



Anugraha Rachel (XII E)



WHEN THE UMBRELLA IS PUNCHED



Days move, time move even the rats move but not Mr. Little who is big in gig

Wished to sing under the crest Alas! He paints in vest. Paints the outside of a huge mansion.

Mr. Idiot stared through glass eye glass with golden rim and throws huge notes. Mr. Little bows and smiles.



Stella Marria Sajan XI - A

WINNERS OF SAHODAYA 2022 KALOLTSAV

1.	PRANAV HARISH	LIGHT MUSIC	CATEGORY -II	1 ST A GRADE
2.	JENIT MARIYA	ESSAY WRITING MALAYALAM	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
3.	JENIT MARIYA	EXTEMPORE MALAYALAM	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
4.	AINA SAJAN	CARTOON	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
5.	ANN MARY PARAMUNDAYIL	STORY WRITING MALAYALAM	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
6.	SHAUN MATHEW SIBY	GUITAR WESTERN	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
7.	EPHRIM JOHNSON DANIEL	FOLK DANCE	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
8.	ARUNTHATHY S	POSTER DESIGNING	CATEGORY -III	1 ST A GRADE
9.	SAMUEL GEORGE KOYICKAL	RECITATION HINDI	CATEGORY -IV	1 ST A GRADE
10.	KHADEEJA NAURIN	RECITATION ARABIC	CATEGORY -IV	1 ST A GRADE
11.	P. GOURI SANKAR	FOLK DANCE	CATEGORY -IV	1 ST A GRADE

GROUP ITEMS MARGAMKALI (CATEGORY -IV)

- 1st A GRADE
1. NEHA MONCY
 2. AAGNA JAISON
 3. MARIETTA ANNA JACOB
 4. DIYA ANNA SHAJU
 5. AASHNA ANNA SAJI
 6. SARAH NAJEEB
 7. HAVYA HARIDAS
 8. MARIA MATHEWS

GROUP SONG (CATEGORY: COMMON)

- 1st A GRADE
1. AMRUTHEJASWANI A.S
 2. NIRANJANA SUNIL
 3. PRANAV HARISH
 4. JOEL LITSON
 5. EPHEN JOHNSON DANIEL
 6. ALESIA SIBY
 7. ANGEL THERESA JOSEPH

WESTERN MUSIC CONCERT (CATEGORY: COMMON)

- 1st A GRADE
1. KRISTEEN MARY GEORGE
 2. DIYA T JACOB
 3. ANGEL THERESA JOSEPH
 4. JOHAN P JOHN
 5. KEVIN CHERIAN SUDEEP
 6. SHAUN MATHEW SIBY
 7. EPHRIM JOHNSON DANIEL
 8. EPHRON JOHNSON DANIEL

My Mother



Ann Clare Thomas, 3A

My mother always loves me and cares me a lot. She always wraps her soothing fingers around my heart. She is my guardian angel who always protects me a lot. Her love towards me means a lot that no one can explain.

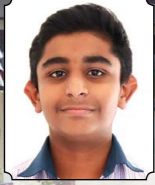




Kids Fest & Graduation Ceremony



The Knowledge Hub



Indrajith N., 10 B

I have read somewhere that school life is the passport to the future. My two years in Girideepam signifies this.

I consider myself lucky to be a part of this prestigious institution as now it is reaching its Golden Jubilee. Girideepam is led by a group of priests who want to transform students into socially committed, spiritually inspired and responsible citizens.

The distinctive feature of Girideepam is that it has a group of caring teachers who actually understand the students. These teachers follow the Girideepam's motto "In Pursuit of Excellence". They search for the student's excellence and helps them to nurture it. The vast school campus is filled with peace, harmony, and the greenery of plants and trees. I was so excited when I saw the campus for the first time. Indoor stadium, Basketball courts and the matches held there brings pleasant memories to my mind.

This school provided me a bunch of opportunities. I got opportunity for participating in Youth festivals. I got good chances for making speeches in school assemblies which helped me

to get rid of my stage fright. I still remember the Investiture ceremony where I stood as the Deputy Head Boy of the prestigious school. It was a proud and unforgettable moment. The process of selecting the Deputy Head Boy included making speeches and an interview by Principal. The school is providing these opportunities so that the students will be ready to face anything and become responsible person themselves.

Girideepam has the rhythm of Panchavadyam, the steps of Kolkali, and the beauty of Thiruvathira. Girideepam has always been known for its curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Girideepam has always given preference for the social and mental development of the students.

As a Girideepian I can certainly assure that Girideepam is not a normal school and students here, no matter which field they go, they will never accept defeat and will always fight back even in depressed situations. The teachers and friends have helped me a lot. In the end I can say with pride that Girideepam is an all in one institution.

DREAMERS' INSTITUTE

"Girideepam" is not just a place for learning, it is a place full of nurturing, self-care, diversity and life lessons. It's been nine years I have been with the Girideepam family. I'm so much delighted to be here this year also. Girideepam is not just a place for learning, it is a family that teaches us many good qualities. Our school is our second home like parents, teachers also scold us when they see something wrong and correct it. What makes Girideepam unique is that they give emphasize not only learning but also for extracurricular activities. They promote sports, arts and other cultural programmes.

Many orientation and awareness programmes are also conducted here. It makes us aware of the dangers hiding in society. So many children got an opportunity to be more responsible and blossom full potential regardless of their differing needs, abilities or learning style. Now I would like to talk about our teachers, they are the souls of our school. They are so supportive and gives us encouragement and also guide us through our difficulties.

Our Principal, Head Mistress, teachers and other non-teaching staffs are all part of it. Like home our second parents are our teachers. The rules and regulations are also one reason that makes my

school more unique. Teachers taught me about so many good qualities that we need to achieve our goals, leadership, sharing and helping mentality, kindness, to be honest and so many others. We all have learned how to behave, make friends and face the world with confidence.

I just can't express my feelings in words. All schools are good but my school GIRIDEEPAM is unique in many ways. We can proudly say that "We are Girideepians and we are Unique".



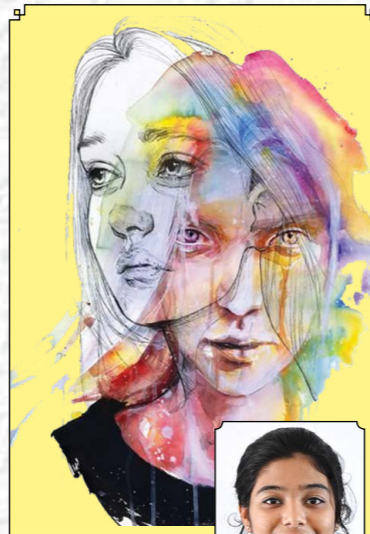
Krishnapriya Mahesh (9A)



Republic Day celebrations



Panchavadyam



Abigail Benny (XI D)

Memories!

It makes you unconditionally happy yet, they give you unbearable pain. It smiles at you from a far land And make you sad for what it took away It gives you hope, only to be Disappointed again. It makes you a fool But makes you realize it when it's gone. Memories, hard to forget; painful to remember; But still kept close to the Heart. Those kinds of memories are the - most precious Yet terrible ones.....

MY SECOND HOME WHICH I LOVE

School is the first place where the students come out of their family circles and create a new one with their teachers and friends.

My school is the best chapter in my life, filled with lots of love and excitement. It is a place where I found myself and learned a great deal about myself. My school has taught me many things and has given me some best friends who will be my friends forever. The best part of my school is its indoor stadium where all the school events and competitions take place. Our school indoor stadium has a great sound and light facility. Every year, the toppers of our school get awarded on school annual day and my school organizes an arts festival which lasts for two days. Many events take place on these two days like singing, dancing, speech etc. Most importantly, I earned friends here. Friends who gave me strength and the courage to try out new things and the teachers motivate and push me to achieve my best. Wearing the blue uniform of Girideepam itself is a privilege.



Jianna Mary (7C)



Children's Day celebration

TEACHER'S PICNIC TO WAGAMON



School Opening KG 2022

EMPOWER PREP SCHOOL

My school is the second family, which established during my childhood. It is a family with good friends, outstanding teachers and beautiful memories. I love my school because it is where I learn how to be a good citizen and how to reach my goals.

There are many schools in my area but my school is unique, because of its facilities, faculties and guidance. All school has their best teachers but when your teacher is your friend then it sounds different.

Good teachers and playful environment makes my school the best and also my school HM is so friendly that we can easily talk to her and she never hesitate if we have to discuss something. My school gives importance to extracurricular activities. I love my school.

This reasons makes my school perfect and unique.



Hamda SK (6A)

KG ASSEMBLY



CLASS ROOM



Playschool Activity



Independence Day Celebration



Class Room




Talent Hunt

Adhitya Dev, Super 4 Mazhavil Manorama, inaugurates the Talent Hunt, 2022-23

Visionary Preparatory School

Girideepam Bethany Higher Secondary School is an open door to explore innovative ideas acquire moral values and standard and gain knowledge on the different aspects of education. The school aims to provide in students academic skills as well as co-curricular programmes to showcase the capabilities of children. Children are given care, support, attention by our well trained, experienced and dedicated teachers. Individual attention is given by teachers for the students to excel better in their all round development. Our campus provides an eco friendly atmosphere and thus enables the children to conserve the environment and enjoy the nature. Our school assures that the child is provided a secure and comfortable school of education.

G - GUIDING
B - BENEFICIAL
H - HEALTHY
S - SYSTEMATIC
S - SECURE EDUCATION



Alisha Ann Manoj

Events

"Success symbolizes the spirit in you". One more feather in our cap. Girideepam family announces the glorifying victory of our students, who bagged the Sahodaya Kalotsav Trophée.

Painting Competition

Girideepam Bethany Central School conducted the First Interschool Painting And Cartoon Competition Principal Rev. Fr. Joseph Noble OIC has taken the initiative for the competition. Art teachers Mr Sumod and Mrs Sulabhai were the programme organizers. K.A. Francis (Former Chairman of Kerala Lailthakala Academy) and Moposang Valath (Famous Artist) were the judges for the competition. Overall Championship trophy and the total participants trophy was lifted by Girideepam. Other schools also received prizes for the competition.

X'mas Celebration (Journey to Bethlehem)

Rev. Fr. Roy Kannanchira CMI delivered the X'mas message. Our students lend a hand of help to Navajeevan Trust. Every contribution can make an incredible difference in the lives of those in need, and instilling the culture of giving and positive social impact in our students is at the heart of what we strive to do as they develop as global citizens.


We are proud to announce that Nitha Sajji of Class XI was awarded the first position in the Essay Writing Competition in Malayalam conducted by Excelsior School, Kottayam. Our school brings home the everrolling trophy awarded for the competition by Excelsior School, Kottayam.

Our school girls Basketball team reached second position in All Kerala Interschool Basketball Tournament conducted by AKM Public School.

Vimal Viji and Jia Grace of Class XII are the winners of the elocution competition conducted by the Vigilance Division of Rubber Board, Kottayam. They received cash prize and certificates from honorable Justice CN Ramchandran Nair.


Thanks Giving Assembly

A Thanks giving assembly to mark the culmination of the activities for the year was held. Selected students from Class I to XI were awarded proficiency prizes for overall excellence in both curricular and co-curricular areas.



IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION

Education is very important for everyone. It provides us knowledge. It guides us to take the right decision, helps to learn new things. Education is the key to success. It develops personality of a person. School education plays a great role in everyone's life. It makes us able to deal with difficult situations. Education is the most powerful weapon which can be used to change the world.



Suzain Mariam Bijoy
III - A



my experience in girideepam



Divya P. Nair (8D)

I'm a student from 8th grade. I have been in Girideepam since VIBGYOR daycare. I was in the 2011 batch. I was told by my mom that I entered Girideepam premises when I was merely 8 days old, to attend my sister's Kids' Fest programme.

Girideepam holds a lot of memories for me.

The daycare was located on the ground floor of Girideepam's CBSE campus. It was a small room with two care-takers and a few kids. I used to be dropped off there by the driver uncle and my sister, along with her friend used to pick me up in the afternoon. The aunts looked after us like we were their kids in a small classroom. It was my home.

The kindergarten was more or less than my daycare, except that it was there that the endless cycle of studying and homework began. I wonder how the teachers used to teach and handle us. Hats off to their patience. I did a lot of extra-curricular activities there too. I still remember our kindergarten head, Mini miss, whom I used to look upon congratulating us for successfully growing a few kinds of vegetables in the garden of the kindergarten. I remember all the swimming lessons on Wednesday, all the times we used to play in that small park. It was heartbreaking when I heard that they were going to build Shemrock there. It hurt to know that the place where I used to play as a child was going to be destroyed, but now that place is where every year hundreds of children make their childhood memories. I remember how me and my friend used to rush out of the classrooms as soon as the school was over to visit the chapel everyday. It was like a daily routine for us.

Primary school was memorable as well. The most lovable character of that time was Jose uncle. Almost all girideepian know him. I still remember him singing a song while passing through the corridors while carrying bench on his shoulders. He knew how to make us kids smile and laugh. He is the most kind-hearted person I know. He devoted his life to Girideepam. You could still see him in the campus, working as a security guard, but he has not changed even a little bit. He is still as energetic and as loved like he was 8 years ago.

When I was in 3rd grade, there came the "Good Mark, Bad Mark" chart. I remember how the kids competed to have the most "good point", How the teachers used to give us good points if we completed our homework, good full marks on every class test or wrote in a good handwriting. These marks used to be counted at the end of the year, and the top 3 students who had the most points were awarded some pencils and pens. It was not much, but to us it was just as valuable as the Nobel Prize. Looking back, I wonder how the teachers were so clever. They knew exactly how to make us complete our works and study without forcing us.

School tour was a different vibe. It was a day to enjoy to the fullest. It was a day full of dancing, visiting new places and hanging out with friends.

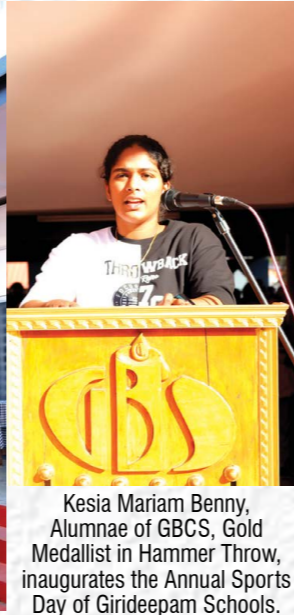
My very first school tour was to the Alappuzha beach. I remember how the teachers held our hands so that we could feel the waves; It was the most amazing feeling ever. This year's tour was a blast. I enjoyed so much. The best part about it was when we were in the wave and the teachers joined us. There we were, holding hands and enjoying and splashing water on each other. It was truly memorable.

Youth festival is time of tough competition. It is the time everybody has the festive feeling in them. The endless, tiring practices, occasionally missing classes and staybacks are what describe the time of Youth festival. You don't realize how fast time goes, just a month ago started the practices and then suddenly the competition day is the next day. After the Youth festival comes Sahodaya. The fun fact about it is that teachers are the most friendly during this time. I remember being fed glucose powder and lemon juice by the teachers. They do everything to make us comfortable at a different school campus. They kept on motivating us when we felt that we couldn't do it. They used to sacrifice their free periods so that they could monitor our practice. Sahodaya gives us so many memories, experiences and lessons. I'm so glad that I got opportunities to experience these.

The most colorful time of an academic year is the Annual day. The dances performances, the drama, are amazing! Every year the performance keeps getting better and better.

To me, Girideepam is not just an institution that provides amazing education facilities and opportunities to co-curricular and curricular activities, it is also a place where the most amazing teachers, staff, non-teaching staffs, students and management coexist and live together in harmony. Girideepam is a big part of my life. It raised and made me what I am today. Not just me but thousands of students that studied and were a part of Girideepam.

Christmas Day Celebrations - Girideepam Kinder City



Kesia Mariam Benny, Alumnae of GBCS, Gold Medalist in Hammer Throw, inaugurates the Annual Sports Day of Girideepam Schools.



Sports Day 2023



Christmas Celebrations



Rev. Fr. Roy Kannanchira CMI, delivers Christmas message



GIRIDEEPAM A NEW HOME

I was worried like a little child on my day. How will it be? Would I get accepted? Will the teachers be friendly and supportive? a heap of questions crowded my mind. But when I look back now, all I see is memories. Some wonderful moments. Each day has gained me another brother/sister, new mothers/fathers and a second home. Although its not been too long, 3years is a pretty good time, enough time to get attached. Even though my first year was completely online, it gave me some of the most cherishing moments. As I stand here now, at the end of grade 12, all I have is some of the best memories of my life, According to me, Girideepam is not just a place where you enhance your education, it's somewhere where you discover the inner you.

The most awesome memory that has secured a place in my heart is none other than wearing the school jersey, representing the school. It has given me immense joy and pride. Wearing the badge of SPORTS CAPTAIN has given me another level of confidence.

It had helped me to find that inner me. For me it definitely was a turning point, a great opportunity to express my skills. The opportunities and chances that the school provided me has helped me unconditionally.

The support and dedication put in by the teachers and staffs can't be left unnoticed. It is them who really made this my second home.

The environment they provide is so warm, so that you feel safe to confide. They are good mothers and fathers, raising the best children.

I wouldn't be the present me if it wasn't for my second home.

Now, on the verge of leaving, my heart is filled.

The sweet memories that my home has provided will stay with me forever.



Riyon Santhosh (XII B)

TALENTS : A WORTHFUL INSIGHT



Talents in a person are his/her abilities, skills that determine the potential to which a person can do or perform. The key factor is the degree to which a person deploys their talents to achieve something in their life. Clearly, talent coupled with hard work often lead to success. Many a times, to lead a happy and fulfilled life, we need to indulge in activities that make you feel complete and valued. These activities are the things which fill us with joy and passion leading to a fruitful life. These activities come in the shape of talents present in individuals.

Most successful people have time

and again ascribed their achievements to wise utilization of their talent supported by hard work. To achieve excellence and success in life is a step by step process of improving oneself and thinking beyond one's self. Although the process is difficult and requires determination, will power and patience, it leads to a successful life.

Talent is therefore an important aspect of success and should be nurtured and developed to its full potential. With hard work, dedication, and determination, anyone can achieve great things using their talent.

KG Childrens Day Celebrations



PASSING THE TORCH CEREMONY (FAREWELL TO CLASS-XII)



Prayerful Best wishes to the Outgoing Students of X & XII @ GBCS





GIRIDEEPAM EXCELLENTIA 2022



Rev. Dr. George Joseph Ayyanath OIC, Provincial Superior, Bethany Navajyothy Province, felicitates on Annual day



Binoy Koyickal, PTA President, GBHSS



Shibu Thomas, PTA President, GBCS



Rev. Dr. Mathai Kadavil OIC, Superior General, Bethany Congregation, addresses the annual gathering



Abhishek Raveendran, Alumnus GBHSS, Cine-Artist



Ankita Aneesh, Alumnae GBHSS



Durga N Natraj, Alumnae GBCS, Cine-Artist



Harshita J Pisharody, Alumnae GBCS, Cine-Artist



Libin Skariah, Playback Singer

Annual Day Celebrations



THE ADVENTURES THROUGH THE FOREST

A Short Story



Nathanael Cyril Thomas

It was noon and I was bored, that is when my grandpa came. He told me that we could go fishing for a while. Grandma agreed. We took some string and hook. From there we went to the forest. Actually, it was some people's backyard. Then to the lake.

We got two big sticks from a tree. Then we went to one of his old friends and took permission to dig his garden to take worms [we had no worms in our garden].

We fixed the worms on the hooks and tied them to the strings and then tied the string to the stick. We waited and waited and waited and I thought some pieces of bread would do the trick. So, I went and took 1/4 of a slice of bread because I was bored.

I ran and fell. I looked back and saw over what I fell, and it was a vine. I looked where it leads to and saw a pair of footprints. 'Wow, it looks like the footprints are the size of my feet!' I stepped on it, and it was the same size as my feet! 'It might have been made when I was coming through this way.' Then I was off to a magical land.

I landed in an unknown land. And if anyone asks me how I know it was a magical land I would say I said it because when I stepped into the air I floated for a long time. 'HEY!' I exclaimed. 'THERE IS NO MEANING FOR TIME HERE!' floating in the air was just a dream for a long time for me [I have never heard people fly without any jetpacks and stuff except seeing it in cartoons]. I was before a brilliant landscape. 'BRILLIANT, this place is BEAUTIFUL!' I said with a gasp. I walked through the grassland for a long distance. It was tiring work but my curiosity made me walk and walk and walk.

Then I stopped with a halt. 'Whoa!' 'This place is rampaging with dinos! But as no one minded me I resumed my journey. Then as if plotting something I saw some people whispering. It was before a HUGE palace. They rushed into the palace when they saw me.

I went into the palace and saw a long passageway. I walked through the long passage and saw a room at the end of the passage. It was guarded by two armed soldiers. The first man said, "Ooh, you must be the chief detective invited by His Highness." I do not know about this invitation, though I like to play detective and become a detective. I said, "Umm, then you did not see the footprints of your size?" questioned the second man. "I saw that all right, why, may I ask you?" I asked. The second man said, "Because he who sees it and is curious is invited to this land," he said while he and the first man opened the Door.

I then saw a king. He was on a beautiful throne. He said, "I called you because there are some thieves." I exclaimed, "My! Those were the ones I saw at the gate!" He said yes, it was them and I should catch them. Then I caught them, put handcuffs on them, and took them to the king and after that, I went home.

AISSCE-XII-2023 : ALL A1 STUDENTS



Malavika Sajeev (96.6%) Neha Moncy Revathy Aravind Sona Ann Sunil

AISSE-X-2023 : ALL A1 STUDENTS



Jessleen Anna Joby Nidhi Suresh (97.7%) Nidhin Babu Ruth Mariam Jacob

MY JOURNEY AT GIRIDEEPAM

I joined Girideepam Bethany Central School in 2021. It was during the pandemic. I had never switched schools before and I was nervous. Despite not meeting my friends or teachers directly, I could tell that they were very welcoming. The teachers were very approachable. Then came class 12. I knew how important this year was in every student's life. I wanted to do my best. The teachers encouraged me a lot. I was extremely touched when I saw how they go above and beyond to ensure that we get information from the best resources in the best way possible. I made a lot of new friends here. I had to get out of my comfort zone but that just helped me grow. I have learned a lot from them. There were so many bitter and sweet moments spent in the four walls of the classroom. I hope we keep in touch for as long as we can. I was also given the responsibility of being the science coordinator. This role motivated me to think outside the box. It made me a responsible person. Girideepam was known for how it encouraged arts and sports along with academics. I completely agree with it because I got to experience it first-hand. The two days of arts fest filled with the spirit of competition was a much-needed break. Then came Sahodaya. I was honoured to represent my school there. I was thrilled when we won the trophy. I will carry these memories with me forever. I can proudly say I'm a Girideepian.



Gauri Nandana Nair 12 B

ARTS GALLERY



Adithi Vinod, 5 C



Gowri S Chandra, 5 C

LP SECTION



LEYA REJI JOSEPH
Recitation Mal. - 4th A Grade



NYLA FATHIMA
Pencil Drawing - 1st A Grade



SHILOH S
Light Music - 1st A Grade



MICHELLE MIA JOJO
Story Telling - A Grade



MALAVIKA ADARSH
Action song - Mal. - 1st A Grade



SUZAIN MARIAM BIJOY
Folk Dance - 3rd A Grade



WINNERS

DISTRICT KALOLSAVAM 2022-23



GROUP ITEMS - DESABHAKTHIGANAM - UP - 2nd A Grade



GROUP ITEMS - DESABHAKTHIGANAM - HS - 2nd A Grade



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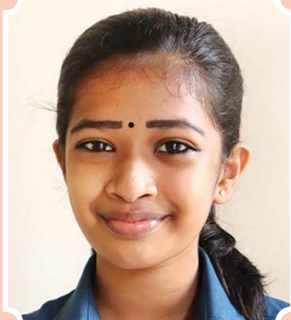


GROUP ITEMS - THIRUVATHIRA - 1st A Grade

UP SECTION



HAMDA S K
Mappilappattu - A Grade
Arabic Recitation - 2nd A Grade



ALLUMOL ROJI
Kadhaprasangam - 1st A Grade
Monoact - 1st A Grade



ALISHA ANN MANOJ
Elocution English - 2nd B Grade



HARSHITHA HEMANTH
Folk Dance - 3rd A Grade
Bharathanatyam - 1st A Grade

WINNERS

DISTRICT KALOLSAVAM 2022-23



GROUP ITEMS - KOLKALI - 2nd A Grade



GROUP ITEMS - PANCHAVADYAM - 1st A Grade (State Kalolsavam 2023 A grade)



VINAYAK B NAIR
Kadhakalisangeetham - 2nd A Grade
Kathaprasangam - 1st A Grade



SHAWN SREEJU
Light Music - 2nd A Grade
Mappilappattu - 3rd A Grade



AVANTHIKA S NAIR
Light Music - 3rd A Grade



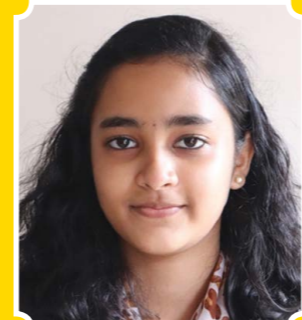
ANANDHU KANNAN
Mrudangam - 3rd C Grade



ASWATHY S
Recitation Mal - 1st A Grade
Folk Dance - A Grade



ANUSHKA R K
Elocution - Mal - 2nd A Grade
Recitation Hin - 4th A Grade



CERAH MARIYA MATHEW
Poetry Writing -Mal - 1st A Grade



LIYA SUSAN ABRAHAM
Poetry Writing -Hin - 2nd A Grade



MUHAMMED NAZEER
Story Writing - Eng - 2nd A Grade



KRISHNAPRIYA MAHESH
Recitation - Eng - 4th A Grade



INDRAJITH N.
Elocution - Eng - 1st A Grade
Essay Writing Mal - 3rd A Grade
Essay Writing Eng - A Grade

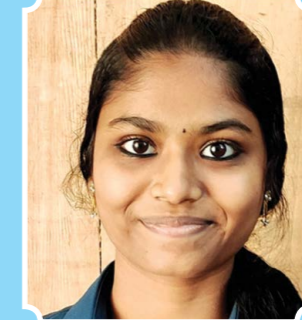
HS SECTION



ANAKHA ANNA ABY
Prasangam - English
1st A Grade



AEVLIN PRINCE
Light Music
2nd A Grade



ANAGHA BIJU
Recitation - English - 3rd A Grade



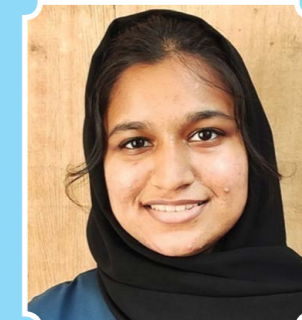
ANAGHA RAJEEV
Prasangam - Mal - 3rd A Grade



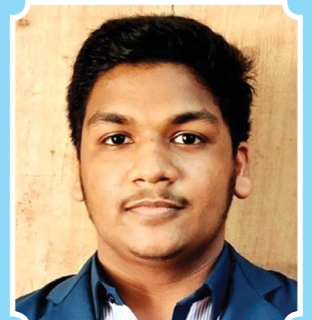
JERUSHA SUSAN ZACHARIA
Story - Malayalam - 2nd A Grade



JESLIN JOHNSON GEORGE
Recitation - Hindi - 3rd A Grade



SALMA SHAJAN
Pencil Drawing - 4th A Grade



NANDAKESH R
Cartoon - 4th A Grade



ASHIN VARKEY SAMUEL
Collage - 4th A Grade



NAJIYA FATHIMA
Mappilappattu - 4th A Grade

HSS SECTION

WINNERS

DISTRICT KALOLSAVAM

2022-23

The Successful Journey of 100% Continues...

CLASS XII ALL A+ WINNERS - 7

Distinction - 65
Above 90% - 24



Anakha Anna Eby



Neha Manoj J.



Aiswarya M.S.



Kavya Sunil



Jerusha Susan Zacharia



Adhi Govindh C.



Johan Monson Daniel

5 A+ WINNERS



Jeslin Johnson George



Akhil P.S.



Aameena K.A.



Sreejith S.



Amy Ann Sabu



Najiya Fathima V.H.

4 A+ WINNERS



Pious Tom John



Ardra Susan Reji



Sreedhar Krishna S.



Elias Jacob Pukadiyil



Pheba Abraham

SSLC 2023 FULL A+ WINNERS



Indrajith N.



Vinayak B. Nair



Rohan Tom Thomas



Shawn Sreeju Sampath



Helen George Varghese



Liya Susan Abraham



Jeff Sam Scaria



Aadhinath D.



Gouri Santhosh



Dani Joseph

4 A+ WINNERS



Angel T. Chandu



Liniya Mary Libu



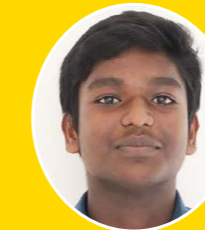
Ignatious K. Lenin



Rijesh Kanna



Zaman Saleem



Sreerag K.C.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL...

Arts Gallery

Anva Mariya A S, 7 B

Aivin K Shaji, 7 A

Adwita Rajesh, 5 C

Parvathy Girish, 7 B

Abigail Benny, XI D

Poster Designing Competition Winners
 Adwita Rajesh, V V (First)
 Gowri S. Chandran, V C (Second)
 Adhithi Vinod, V C (Third)

Book Cover Designing Contest Winners
 Aivin K. Shaji, VII A (First)
 Anva Maria A.S., VIII B (Second)
 Parvathy Girish, VII B (Third)



**CBSE Sahodaya
Sarga Sangamam 2022-23
Girideepam Bethany Central School
Overall Champions**

GIRIDEEPAM BETHANY : INSTITUTION THAT Encourage, Empower, Embrace

The first memory that comes down the lane when I think about Girideepam is being bear-hugged into a sorority, which never even once occurred to me was going to be the beginning of a new 'me'!

I was moving into the hostel of our school and was very overwhelmed. The only shoulders I could lean on were accessible through as little as rectangular screens. My parents called to make sure I was fine and settled, and I couldn't be anymore cynical. I was determined to not hope for the good. But EVERY-

THING changed with that hug.

Think of a few random strangers running up to you and squeezing the dear life out of your soul! I knew at that moment, that this was the right place. I realised these girls, they were just like me. Missing home and feeling out of place. From there, we built our home, together.

I came here thinking high school was just like it was portrayed in movies. I spent a few weeks thinking there were the nerds, the bullies, the timid, the 'who-cares' and some pretty girls

and boys until I realised that was not it! Everyone carried a little of good in them. And some had more. I was in awe of the kind of people I got to meet. Some surprised me, some challenged me and some inspired me. My teachers were the best part. Our stories are never complete without them. Our batch was blessed with people teaching out of passion. It is so contagious that I was almost convinced I wanted to do the same.

Looking back, I know one thing for sure. I've come a long way. It was not just some two years spent and got over

with. It had essence.

My journey here, the people I encountered, the good and bad days is what made me who I am today. And for that, I will forever be thankful to this place. If you are looking for a little push to be 'that' person who you'll be proud of when you look back after 10 years, then this is it.. you've found it!



Sania Mary Saban
XII-C