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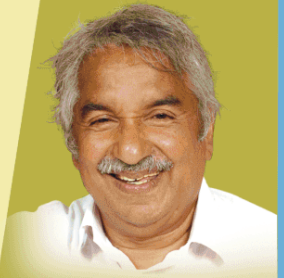
Message

I am glad to know that the Kerala University College Education, Kayamkulam would be realizing the second issue of its half-yearly Newsletter in November 2014.

I hope that the Newsletter would meet its objectives and turn out as a source of veritable information.

Wishing all success

Oommen Chandy
 Chief Minister



Study Tour

After the tight and hefty academic activities in the First Semester followed by University exams, a one-day study trip was arranged on 7th May 2014 with the intention that an in-depth exploration of nature and history is an inevitable experience for a prospective teacher. The destination selected for the tour was Ernakulam. The spots visited included Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), Marine Drive, Cochin Synagogue at Mattanchery and Alappuzha beach.

Residential Community Living Camp

A Four Day-Residential Community Living Camp 'MYTHRI- 2014' was organized in the college campus during 20-23 May 2014 as is directed in the revised B.Ed. Curriculum 2013 of Kerala University. The camp was inaugurated by Smt. Saira Nujumuddin, Chairperson, Kayamkulam Municipality. Various personalities like Sri. K. Pushpadas, Counsellor, Kayamkulam Municipality, Smt. Bhamini Sourabhan, Chairperson, Education Standing Committee, Smt. Jaleela Sakeer, Chairperson Health Standing Committee, Sri. M. Abdulla, Vice-President, CDC, Smt. Sherlikutty, Principal, GBHSS, Kayamkulam, Smt. J. Sudha, Headmistress, GBHS, Kayamkulam and Smt. Jayalakshmy. C. L., Administrative Officer attended the function. Smt. Sobha A. R., Assistant Professor in Hindi delivered vote of thanks. Various academic as well as entertaining and sports activities were arranged on these days. Sessions included seminars on topics like 'Guidance and Counselling, Life Skills, Simple ways of Excellence and other programmes like Kaviyarangu, Mock Parliament, Agriculture, Thalalayam, Procession, Survey, Medical Camp..etc. Validictory function was inaugurated by Smt. Beena Perumpuzha, Senior Faculty, KUCTE, Kumarapuram. A booklet covering the details of the entire programmes of the four-day Residential Community Living Camp was published and released on 25th October 2014.



Nature Camp

A group of forty students, three teachers and one non-teaching staff enjoyed Nature Study Camp organized by Kerala forest and Wild life department of Govt. of Kerala on 9th and 10th August 2014. Shendurney Wild Life Sanctuary, Tenmala was the destination. Tenmala is a tourist place near Punalur town in Kollam. Thenmala is the first planned eco-tourism destination in India. Students and teachers enjoyed boating, trekking, cultural programmes and various classes on environment. Dr. Araham Thomas, Associate Professor, Peet Memorial Training College coordinated the camp.

I understand that the Kerala University College of Teacher Education, Kayamkulam is going to bring out a 'Half-Yearly News Letter'. Needless to say an educational is meant for generating ideas. I hope this news letter will go a long way in pursuit of such an endeavor. I wish the students and faculty involved in this effort all success



Dr. Veeramanikandan .N
Pro-Vice-Chancellor

Observance of World Environment Day

In connection with World Environment Day, a seminar on "Aberrations in Global Climate and Oddments of Biorhythms" was jointly organized by Kerala State Council for Science Technology and Environment and KUCTE, Kayamkulam on 4th June 2014 in the college auditorium. The function was inaugurated by Prof. D. Thankamoney, Former Head, College of Engineering & Former Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board. Smt. Hena B., Assistant Professor in Education delivered the Welcome Speech. Mr. Maheen Kannu, College Union Chairman, Sri. M. Abdulla, Vice-President, CDC; Smt. Shanthi Nair, Assistant Professor, KUCTE, Aryad, Smt. Sherlikutty, Principal, GBHSS, Kayamkulam, Smt. Sabeena, Assistant Professor in Arabic and Smt. Jayalekshmy C. L, Administrative Officer delivered felicitations. Smt. Chitra I, Assistant Professor in Physical Science delivered the Vote of Thanks. The Inaugural function was followed by thematic sessions on 'Impact of Climate Change on Environment,' 'Climate Change and its impact on Agriculture' and 'Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity of Kerala'.



Alumni Association

Alumni Association was formed on 14th June 2014. Dr. G. N. Sunith Kumar, Principal was elected as president, Sri. Sarath Kumar as Vice-President, Smt. Shimithakumari, Asst. Prof. in Social Science as Secretary and Miss. Anju V. as Joint Secretary. Sixteen Executive Members and Teaching staff were included in the Monitoring Committee. The function was inaugurated by Sri. M. Abdulla, CDC Vice-president. Smt. Neethi. S. Lal, Asst. Prof. in Mathematics and Ms. Aparna Ajay, Union chairperson delivered felicitation speech. Ms. Tessy John, Art's Club Secretary delivered the Vote of Thanks. Students who studied in the institution from 1997 to 2013 attended the function and shared their wonderful experiences at the college.

Teaching Practice 2013 - 14

Teaching Practice of the academic year was from on 16th July 2014 to 14th August 2014. It gave practical experience to trainees about different problems related to school and classrooms, they get exposed to the students' problems, they learned how to apply philosophical, psychological and management principles while teaching, etc.



Independence Day Celebrations

On August 15th 2014, the 68th Independence Day was celebrated in the College campus with great pride. The national flag was hoisted by Principal.



Onam Celebrations

Onam the Festival of Kerala, was celebrated on 4th September 2014 in the College Campus with great pleasure. All the teaching & non-teaching staff as well as students whole heartedly enjoyed the occasion. Competitions like Thiruvathirakkali, Vanchipattu and Onapattu enriched the occasion. The celebrations started with a cultural procession which was a feast for the eyes. Onasadya was the centre of attraction. The day ended with various entertainment activities and games.

Under the leadership of Lekshmi Krishnan (Physical Science) students of KUCTE, Kayamkulam participated in the Attapookalam competition on 5th September 2014 held at Muthoot Auditorium organized by Bodhi Cultural Society.



Message

10th November, 2014

I came to know that KUCTE, Kayamkulam is planning to publish second issue of the half-yearly News Letter in November 2014. It's a personal pleasure for me to know that KUCTE, Kayamkulam is bringing out News Letter frequently. I'm sure that it will help students by updating the day to day activities in and around the campus. I wish them all success.



Dr. Varghese Perayil
Member Syndicate

Seminar on Breast Feeding

A seminar on breast feeding was organized in the college auditorium with the sponsorship of DMO, Alapuzha on 24th August 2014. Smt. Remiya Beegum, Mass Media Officer, DMO, Alapuzha inaugurated the function. Dr. Sreeprasad, Pediatrician, DMO, Alapuzha took class on breast feeding. A lullaby writing competition was conducted. Ms. Chaithra, Natural Science optional won first prize.



Community Services Visit to Gandhi Bhavan

As a part of community service, students in the campus collected clothes from their classmates, teachers and non-teaching staff and donated to Gandhi Bhavan inmates. A group of students along with Principal and other teachers visited the institution on 28th August 2014 and studied the dark side of human life. The aim of this initiative was to inculcate the values of social responsibility and service mentality in the minds of student trainees.



Teacher's Day Celebrations

Teacher's day was celebrated in the college campus on 5th September 2014. Formal celebration was inaugurated by Dr. Sunith Kumar, Principal, KUCTE, Kayamkulam. Smt. Chitra I., Assistant Professor in Physical Science delivered the felicitation. All the teachers in the campus as well as nearby educational institutions were honored with a greeting certificate.



Second Semester University B. Ed Degree Examination

The second semester University B. Ed Degree Examinations was held during 11-21 November 2014.

External Practical Board Examination

The external practical examination for the standardization of marks for this academic year was during 24 -27 September 2014. The Co-ordinating Chairman was Dr. Mariamma Mathew (Associate Professor, Peet Memorial Training College, Mavelikkara) and the Chairman was Smt. Shyla Sree (Asst. Professor, KUCTE, Adoor) with other nine members in the team. They have observed the classes of all students and conducted the viva-voce. Students as well as the teachers worked very hard for the smooth organizing of the examination. The external board members were very much impressed by the performance of students.



Release of Second Issue of 'Zest'

The second issue of the college News Letter "ZEST" is planning to be released at the end of November 2014.

Cleaning Programme

As a part of Clean India Initiative, a cleaning programme was conducted in the college campus on 1st October 2014. All the students as well as teachers participated in the cleaning programme with enthusiasm. The classrooms and the entire campus were cleaned as various groups. Steamed tapioca and chilli chudney prepared by the students were served to all. As part of beautification of the campus, optional wise gardens were also arranged. A prize for the best garden was given to students of Arabic optional.



Model Examinations Second Semester

The model examinations for the first semester were conducted during 21-24 October 2014.

Inter-training College Elocution Competition

An inter-training College Malayalam elocution competition was held in the college campus on 14th October 2014. Students from various training colleges participated in the competition. Prof. Rajendran and Prof. Radhakrishnan from MSM College acted as judges. The topic given was 'Technology and Education'. First prize sponsored by Smt. Hena, Asst. Prof in Education was achieved by Millath College of Teacher Education. Second prize sponsored by Smt. Shimitha Kumary, Asst. Prof in Social Science was achieved by Tessa, KUCTE, Kayamkulam and third prize sponsored by Smt. Chitra, Asst. Prof in Physical science was achieved by Anil Kumar, Fathima Memorial Training College, Mylapore.



Arts' Festival

Art's day was celebrated in the campus on 24th and 25th of October 2014. Varieties of competitive programmes were arranged for the student trainees in a house-wise manner to explore their potentialities. Sapphire house won the ever rolling trophy in Arts. Shri. Sharin and Smt. Sulakshana of Sapphire house won the Kala Prathibha and Kala Thilakam titles respectively. The teachers who were in charge of the Arts were Smt. Sabeena S. and Dr. Smitha J. M.

College Day Celebrations

The college day of the academic year was celebrated on 25th October 2014 in the campus. The function was inaugurated by Adv. V. Mohammad, Chairperson, Kayamkulam Municipality. The teaching, non-teaching staff, CDC members, students participated the function. Students who won prizes in various arts competitions were given prizes. Students of Mathematics optional won prize for Art's corner. Shri. Ferraj of Arabic optional was chosen as the Men-Champion and Smt. Anila Raj of Physical Science was chosen as Women champion in sports.



Basic Training Programme on Human Rights

A one-day training programme on Human Rights was organized in the College Auditorium on 29th October 2014. The programme was sponsored by National Human Rights Commission. The function was inaugurated by Sri. Safeerudeen A, Research Officer, SCERT, Trivandrum. Dr. G. N. Sunith Kumar, Principal, KUCTE. Adv. A. Mohan Kumar, Retired Registrar, State Human Rights commission and Sri. Abdulla, CDC Vice President attended the inaugural function. Four thematic sessions based on different areas of Human Rights was arranged for the students.

Papers were invited in the respective topics and in response, 20 papers were received which was published as a book with ISBN on 21st November 2014.



College Development Council

As per the University norms, monthly meeting of CDC were held and with the approval of the University Library Computerization, the purchase of Generator, Laptop, Handycam, Digital Camera, 10 computer tables, 11 fans, 5 tubes, Almirah for Psychology Lab, and Wall cupboard for trophies and the front board maintenance etc. were done using the funds of College Development Council.

The general body meeting of College Development Council was held on 31st October 2014 in the College Auditorium. Apart from these, during this academic year 30 staff meetings and 12 Union meetings were conducted to take decisions about the developmental activities of the college.



College Magazine

The college magazine is getting ready under the eminent leadership of Smt. Chitra I., the staff editor and Smt. Rajalekshmi, the student editor. The other staff members in the editorial team include Smt. Sabeena, Smt. Kumari Shobha, Smt. Durgalekshmi, Smt. Shimithakumari and Smt. Neethi S. Lal. Two student members from each optional subject are also included in the team. I extend my best wishes to the entire team for the successful release of this venture 'Mashippokkal'

Dear Student teachers!

As we approach the end of this academic year, I am amazed at how quickly time has passed. It seems that a lot has happened in such a short period of time! I feel very happy to write in this second issue of our newsletter and I trust you find it useful and full of informative news. As you can see, most of our set goals are achieved! Working together with a collaborative focus made it possible. We were a team that strived to Bring it on, Bring it strong, Bring our game! I am glad to have had such an exciting and enlightening academic year.



Dr. Sunith Kumar G.N.
Principal