



DON BOSCO COLLEGE

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NEWS LETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Readers,

I extend a very warm welcome to you. It is a privilege being Principal at Don Bosco College, that each day brings with it new challenges and rewards.

Don Bosco College is over 13 years old which is steeped in traditions and yet we are always looking towards the future. We welcome your association with our College and look forward to working together to make your education a rewarding experience.

As you navigate your way through the site discovering what we have to offer, you will find answers to the many preliminary questions you may have about our College, our academic programme and student life.

As the Principal of the College, I feel honoured and privileged to be part of a Global Educational Institution of Salesians of Don Bosco, where every stakeholder is a learner and every day is an opportunity to learn and discover. We look at ourselves as a community of learners, where everyone learns including our faculty, staff and parents.

I believe in upholding high standards with an absolute commitment in striving to understand and improve the educational process, using team strategies, while wholly centring on student achievement.

Our staff fruitfully employ two diverse strategies that are of love and service to foster a positive learning environment for all our students. Love and service may seem like two contrasting forces. While love helps nurture trusting relationships, where students feel respected, appreciated and loved by the teachers, service helps develop in students' personal responsibility, self-control, good decision making skills, self-confidence and character building with high moral values.

I look forward to working with you as we help create a College where parents are welcome at anytime, students are engaged in meaningful learning and the staff members are valued and appreciated for their efforts.

As you read through this newsletter, you will get a feel for the vibrancy and strength of our College.

Regards,

Rev. Dr. A. Siluvai Muthu, SDB

Principal

HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

Don Bosco, a legendary Italian Saint, a luminous educator and a great champion of youth, founded the Salesians Congregation in Turin, Italy. It has branches in 132 countries. The Salesians of Don Bosco (SDB) are globally recognized as professional executives of premium institutes of Higher Education with 15 Universities across the world. In India, there are 517 educational institutions of repute, of which 36 of them are centres of higher education including Don Bosco University, Guwahati in Assam, and Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur in Vellore District. This global movement caters primarily to the children and the youth with a unique educational system, namely, Preventive System of education.

Don Bosco College, Dharmapuri, a constituent of an Educational Network of the Salesians of Don Bosco, Chennai Province, Tamil Nadu, was founded in 2007 on Adhiyaman Bypass Road, Sogathur, by Rev. Fr. Johnson Antonysamy, SDB, Rector and Rev. Dr. C. M. Varghese, SDB, the first Principal. It is the first and only minority institution, established in Dharmapuri to train and equip the young minds for a challenging and fulfilling career under Periyar University, Salem. Built in a serene and green environment, the College provides a true ambient for the growth of the rural students.

The academic journey of the College commenced with 5 Undergraduate courses, 9 teaching faculty, 3 support staff and 258 students. In the past 12 years, the College has grown in various dimensions and has been tirelessly proceeding to achieve its goal. At present, the College has 2,523 students, 107 teaching faculty and 32 support staff, with 11 Undergraduate courses, 8 Postgraduate courses and 4 M.Phil. courses. The vast majority of our students hail from Dharmapuri and Krishnagiri districts, while students from other parts of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Andamans and North Eastern States also are accommodated. The College takes pride in educating numerous first generation graduates. The medium of instruction and evaluation is English.

In the past few years, the College has grown considerably as the result of collective efforts of many, including Salesians, staff and well-wishers. A number of significant additions have been made to the infrastructure with an open auditorium, garden at the front yard of the College, compound wall with gates, state of the art computer and science laboratories, a well-furnished library with a reading hall, a Bosco Bicentenary Hall and a modern canteen. As well, we provide separate hostel facility for girls and excellent transport services to the remote villages.

Don Bosco College stands head and shoulders above others in winning trophies in games and sports in Periyar University, Salem, besides forming University gold medallists in academics every year. Last year, 2 University gold medallists and 18 University rank holders added feathers to the cap in the academic journey of the College. The primary objectives of the College are for the public benefit, to advance education, to experience religious values, learning and research and the conduct of divine service in the College, to strengthen the College's access and outreach

programme, to enrich the teaching capabilities of the College, and to continue to improve academic performance in the examinations.

We, the Salesians of Don Bosco, provide students an outstanding social, cultural and sporting opportunities. Besides, we take a lead in sustaining and enhancing the ability of the College to continue as one of the best academic institutions of the state, in the face of increasing regional and national competition. Moreover, we recognise and value all our alumni as life-long members of the College community and appreciate them for their continuing involvement and support to the College.

The College enables the young to find meaning in life to seek guidance and strength from above to foster a spirituality that can sustain them through the inevitable ups and downs of life, according to each one's belief and religious background. To become a centre that moulds seekers of knowledge into integrated persons and upright citizens of academic competence, spiritual maturity and social consciousness, anchored in Don Bosco's philosophy of education.

In addition, the same management runs the Don Bosco College of Education in a nearby campus in order to give a further boost to the aspiration of students to become professionally qualified teachers.



BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Rev. Fr. K. M. Jose, SDB	Chairman/Provincial
Rev. Dr. L. Don Bosco, SDB	Vice-Chairman/Vice-Provincial
Rev. Fr. Edwin Vasanthan, SDB	Economer
Rev. Dr. Edwin George, SDB	Secretary/Rector
Rev. Dr. A. Siluvai Muthu, SDB	Principal
Rev. Dr. C. Antony Raj, SDB	Administrator/Academic Coordinator
Rev. Dr. K. Jayaprakash, SDB	Principal, Don Bosco College of Education
Rev. Fr. D. Samson Shanmugam, SDB	Vice-Principal/Director, Extension Services

COLLEGE OFFICIALS

Dr. A.S. Raja	Dean cum Assistant Professor of Tamil
Ms. D. S. Sumathi	Dean cum Assistant Professor of Mathematics
Mr. C. George Arockiaraj	COE cum Assistant Professor of Physics
Dr. R. Venkatesh	PRO cum Assistant Professor of Commerce

MERCI ET BIENVENUE

SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATIONS

“If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader” - Dolly Parton.

Dear Father,

Thanks for shining bright

Thanks for being our guiding light

Thanks for strengthening our might

Thanks for encouraging us to fight

Thanks for pulling us out of plight

Thanks for never keeping us out of sight

Thanks for teaching us to do what's right

Our obligations to you are infinite!



We sincerely thank our former Secretary and Rector, **Rev. Fr. Rajkumar Mervyn**, SDB, for his devoted service for the growth of our institution from 2018 to 2020. His words of encouragement, guidance and advice kept us sane while chasing deadlines. We just wanted to appreciate him and express how glad we are to work under his leadership. We were truly proud to be led by you, dear Father. Thank you for everything.

We wanted to let you know how much having you as a leader had meant to us throughout our time here. Your guidance and support have been instrumental in helping us achieve our professional goals, and for that we are forever grateful.

Your leadership skills make it easy for you to manage our team, even with our diverse professional background. We are proud to have learned some of these qualities from you. You are a wonderful teacher, leader and friend. You are everything one could look for in a good mentor. You groomed us to be sound professionals and made working with you an interesting and memorable experience. Thank you for guiding us professionally and personally!

A leader not only shows the way but also walks the way with the team that you proved it to be true. You were an amazing Rector and we are proud of you. Working with a leader like you was a great inspiration for us. We are thankful to you for not doing any favouritism while directing us. Your prerogative guidance was the key to the success in our livelihood. Take our heartiest thanks for your excellent leadership.

We appreciate everything and will remember your time here fondly.

GRACIOUS WELCOME

“Leadership is the ability to guide others without force into a direction or decision that leaves them still feeling empowered and accomplished” – Lisa Cash Hanson.

Dear Father,

You are amazing at what you do

Motivated Rectors like you are a few.

You are a master at your skills

In every way, you fit this vocation’s bill.

It is your time to rise,

It is your time to surprise.

By being the best superior,

By proving to everybody,

That you deserve your success,

Along with all the happiness,

We wish you all success,

In your future endeavours!



On behalf of the Members of the Management, Staff and Students, with a pride privilege, we welcome our new Secretary and Rector, **Rev. Dr. Edwin George**, SDB, to our prestigious institution.

Father, we have heard a lot about your level of professionalism, strengths and achievements. We thank God for the gift of your faith-filled life and your dedicated service. We look forward to work under your ample guidance and support with great excitement. We hope you will find the work environment here for inspiration and transformation.

We strongly believe that your ability, natural aptitude and impressive knowledge will be useful for the improvement and achievement of the goals of our institution. We will do all we can to make your stay a pleasant and your service a fruitful one.

We greet you, dear Father.

CORDIAL WELCOME

"To add value to others, one must first value others." - John Maxwell

Dear Father,

You have achieved a lot

By getting this new role.

You pursued it with focus

It was your only goal.

Hold your head up high

For making your own way.

We are proud of you

Is all that we have to say.

May success and victory

Always be yours.



On behalf of the Members of the Management, Staff and Students, with joy, we welcome our new Administrator and Academic Coordinator, **Rev. Dr. C. Antony Raj**, SDB, to our esteemed institution.

Father, you have become a source of goodwill and beaming generosity. Thank you so much, Father, for letting us know that wisdom is the perfect weapon to defeat injustice. You are systematic teacher and professional in administration. Your bravery has not only inspired us but also motivated us towards fruitful service.

So you are taking bigger responsibilities. We wish you all the success to fulfil both the responsibilities at its best.

We are here to help you grow in your journey. Wish you all the best!

HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS

"In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love."

- Mother Teresa

Dear Father,

May success and victory

Always be yours.

May you always be the one

To get every promotion.

May you be your Patron's soul,

And the one to always get

Each and every blessing

For all your hard work.



On behalf of the Management, Staff and Students, we thank our former Administrator, **Rev. Fr. D. Samson Shanmugam**, SDB, for his service for the progress of our institution from 2019 to 2020. We want you to know how much we appreciate the excellent service you provided last year. Your attention to detail, great administrative skills and ready to smile made the experience even better than we expected.

It is a matter of great pleasure and honour for us to welcome you to toil with us in our endeavours as the new Vice-Principal of our College. Truly, we appreciate you for your boldness and bravery with great ideology, determinism and vision. We hope that with your energy, enthusiasm and focus on education and learning, our institution will achieve greater excellence. Under your leadership and guidance, may we reach the next levels of success!

Congratulations and welcome!

MANY CONGRATULATIONS...

Dear Dr. V. Rajeswari,

Truly, your courage and dedication have led to undertake and successfully complete your Ph.D. Viva-Voce in Mathematics on 29.07.2020, conducted by the Department of Mathematics, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.

We wish that all the goals that you have set become more attainable now since the biggest dream of your life has already come true.

Congratulations!



Professional Summary

Dr. V. Rajeswari is an enthusiastic Professor of Mathematics with superb leadership and communication skills. She easily cultivates trusting and productive relationships with students, parents, staff and administration.

- 1998 B.Sc. Maths - Vellalar College for Women, Erore.
- 2000 M.Sc. Maths - Government Arts College, Dharmapuri.
- 2004 M.Phil. Maths - Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.
- 2008 B.Ed. - Jai Sri Venkateshwara College of Education, Dharmapuri.
- 2017 TNSET - Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.
- 2020 Ph.D. Maths - Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.

We wish you all the best for all your future endeavours and that you achieve more success after your doctorate.

Best wishes,
Management, Staff and Students,
Don Bosco College,
Dharmapuri.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

JUNE AND JULY 2020

Date	Programme
01.06.2020 to 05.06.2020	The Department of Physics organised an e-quiz on <i>Basic Physics</i> . Around 1131 participants took part in the programme.
01.06.2020 to 05.06.2020	The Department of Mathematics conducted an e-quiz on <i>Aptitude</i> . Around 650 participants took part in the event.
02.06.2020 to 08.06.2020	The Department of Business Administration organised an e-quiz on <i>Marketing Management</i> . Around 198 participants took part in the event.
02.06.2020 to 08.06.2020	The Department of Chemistry conducted an e-quiz on <i>Chemistry in Daily Life</i> . About 857 participants partook in the programme.
04.06.2020 to 06.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>Ethics in Tamil Literature</i> was organised by the Department of Tamil from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Resource Persons were Dr. K. Mariyappan, Assistant Professor, Department of Tamil and Translation Studies, Dravidian University, Kuppam, Dr. Pon Selvakumar, Head cum Associate Professor, Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Tirupattur, and Dr. V. Sankara Narayanan, Retired Principal, Sri Sakthikailash College for Women, Salem. Total numbers of participants were 405 respectively.
08.06.2020 to 12.06.2020	The Department of Commerce conducted an e-quiz on <i>General Awareness for Higher Secondary Students</i> . About 124 participants took part in the programme.
08.06.2020	An International Webinar on <i>Graphene Oxide: A 2D Personality of Carbon Atoms and Its Applications</i> was conducted by the Department of Physics from 02:30 p.m. to 03:30 p.m. The Resource Person was Dr. Promod Kumar, Department of Physics, University of the Free States, Bloemfontein, South Africa. The numbers of participants were 200.
12.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>Emerging Stock Markets in India: An Overview</i> was organised by the Department of Business Administration from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Resource Person was Dr. G. Venkatachalam, Head cum Professor, Department of Management Studies, Jayalaxshmi Institute of Technology, Dharmapuri. Total numbers of participants were 60.
13.06.2020	An International Webinar on <i>Trends in Printing</i> was organised by the Department of Digital Print Media from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Resource Person was Mr. Joshua Jebakumar, Technical Support and Sales Department, Technova Imaging Solution, Dubai. Total numbers of participants were 57.
13.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>Pre and Post Covid Challenges for HR Professionals</i> was organised by the Department of Social Work in collaboration with NHRD-Coimbatore Chapter from 11:30 a.m. to 01:00

	p.m. The Resource Persons were Mr. F. Israel Inbaraj, GM-HR, TCS Ltd, National Board Member, NHRD, Delhi, Mr. Gnana Haristartil, Manager-HR, Siemens Ltd, Chennai, Ms. Preethi Peter Angeline, Manager-Hr and Facilities, Enlighted Inc – A Siemens Company, Chennai, and Mr. B. Bhuvanesh Kumar, Senior Associate Manager-HR, Eli Lilly India Services Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore. Total numbers of participants were 196.
13.06.2020 to 17.06.2020	The Department of Mathematics conducted an e-quiz on <i>Basic Statistics of Regression and Correlation Methods</i> . About 760 participants took part in the event.
17.06.2020	A State Webinar on <i>Soft Skills Development</i> was organised by the Department of Commerce from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Resource Persons was Dr. Major S. Elangovan, Head cum Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, ANJA College, Sivakasi. Total numbers of participants were 358.
17.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>Diasporic Studies: An Overview</i> was organised by the Department of English from 02:00 p.m. to 03:00 p.m. The Resource Persons was Dr. C. Govindaraj, Head cum Associate Professor, Department of English, PG Extension Centre Periyar University, Dharmapuri. Total numbers of participants were 333.
19.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>A Journey to Corporate Life</i> was organised by the Department of Commerce from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Resource Persons was Dr. R. Geetha, Dean, Head cum Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, Guru Nayak College (Autonomous), Chennai. Total numbers of participants were 218.
19.06.2020 to 20.06.2020	A National Webinar on <i>Exploring Internet of Things (IoT) Use Cases and Robotic Process Automation (RPA)</i> was held by the Department of Computer Science from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Resource Persons were Dr. A. Dalvin Vinoth Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, Kristu Jayanti College (Autonomous), Bangalore, and Mr. D. Dominic Beschi Antony, System Analyst, Singapore. Total numbers of participants were 70.
03.07.2020	The inauguration of the <i>Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)</i> was held at 09:30 a.m. at Bosco Hall. The Principal of the College, Rev. Dr. A. Siluvai Muthu, SDB, introduced about the new Members of the Management and shared responsibilities of the Cell. Rev. Dr. C. Antony Raj, SDB, Administrator was appointed as Academic Coordinator by the Secretary and he was solicited to coordinate the Cell.
14.07.2020	<i>The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)</i> organised a seminar for the Members of the Cell from 09:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bosco Hall. The Principal of the College, Rev. Dr. A. Siluvai Muthu, SDB, welcomed the gathering. The Secretary and Rector of the College, Rev. Dr. Edwin George, SDB, briefed about the ethos of the institution and motivated the Members of the Cell to promote the strengths and values of the institution, besides academic activities. The Administrator and Academic Coordinator of the College, Rev. Dr. C. Antony Raj, SDB, started briefing about the significant roles of IQAC in acquiring a status

	by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) for our institution. Further, he explained in detail about the first three criteria and urged the Members of the Cell to reflect upon them. He also expected the Heads of the Departments to prepare documents as required by the NAAC. It was a resourceful day.
21.07.2020	The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) conducted a seminar for the Members of the Cell from 09:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bosco Hall. The Principal of the College, Rev. Dr. A. Siluvai Muthu, SDB, welcomed the gathering. The Secretary and Rector of the College, Rev. Dr. Edwin George, SDB, motivated the Members of the Cell to prepare documents as required by the NAAC under the guidance of the Academic Coordinator. The Administrator and Academic Coordinator of the College, Rev. Dr. C. Antony Raj, SDB, continued to explain detail about the other remaining criteria (IV, V, VI, and VII) and insisted on the Members of the Cell to reflect upon each criterion. Besides, he asked the Heads of the Departments to prepare documents as required by the NAAC. It was a good day.
28.07.2020 to 29.07.2020	The Department of English organised an e-quiz on <i>Phonetics and Transcription</i> . About 340 participants took part in the programme.

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