ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25

Greetings and warm welcome to each and every one present in this momentous occasion

"Knowledge is power, Education is empowerment."

Esteemed guests of the day, Sri. Roshy Augustine [Honourable Minister for Water Resources, Kerala] President of the function Dr. Sr. Siji Therese CMC [Provincial Superior]Very Rev. Fr. Dr. Sebastian Vethanathu [Syncellus, Epharchy of Pala] Rev.Fr George Moolechalil [Vicar St. George Church, Lalam New], Smt. Leena Sunny [Municipal Vice Chair Person, Pala Municipality], Sri. Prince V C [Municipal Councillor, Pala], Sr. Tessin CMC [Local manager, Carmel Public School], Sr. Serene Maria CMC [Director, Carmel Public School Pala] Adv. James M Vettom [PTA President], Mr. Ajith Abraham [Staff Secretary] Master Philip Phlip and Kumari Asin Maria Mathews [School Leaders], Rev. Sisters, PTA Executives, Parents, Well Wishers, Teaching and non-teaching staff and my dear children.

A warm welcome to one and all

"Learning is not attained by chance; it must be sought for with ardor and
attended to with diligence." [Abigail Adams]

With a deep sense of exhilaration and delectation I present the Annual Report of the year 2024-25. We thank the almighty God for all the blessings bestowed upon us year after year.

STUDENTS AND FACULTY

With high expectation and academic rigor, Carmelites started their journey through the year 2024-25 on 3rd June 2024. We welcomed our new buds with warm affection. Our school currently has the strength of 804 students on its roll from play class to class 12. Carmel family comprises of 48 well trained, well experienced, dedicated teaching faculty and 24 supporting staff including clerical staff, security personnel, Bus Drivers and assistants. Apart from the various core subject teachers, we have an enthusiastic team of teachers for Communicative English, ATL Instructor, Music, Dance, Karate and Yoga. In order for safe, equitable, engaging and high – quality school climates our principal shared the responsibility to the co-ordinators for each section.

Transter of Sr. Deepthi Maria CMC

We bid farewell to Sr. Deepti Maria CMC, our former Principal, Who has been transferred to Jagadalpoor Mission effective 29th July 2024. We appreciate her dedication and contributions to our school during her tenure.

Welcome to Sr.Rani Jose Our New principal

Sr. Rani Jose CMC has taken charge as the new principal of our school effective 1st July 2024.

A GLIMPSE OF THE ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

"Success is dependent on effort and success is the sum of efforts." Yet another academic year of success and achievement unfolded with an honour conferred on AISSE students who are the 12th successive batch with 100% pass.

- Out of the 49 students appeared in class X AISSE examination, Tessa Jamini secured A1 for all subjects. 13 students secured 90 above and Tessa Jamini emerged the school topper by securing 97%. Mikhiya Ann Jimmy added yet another golden feather by achieving centum for Mathematics.
- Out of 55 students appeared in class XII AISSCE examination, Siya Sony and Augus Manoj attained Full A1, and Abiya A.S and Anora Elizabeth Shaji secured 4 A1 and 21 students passed with distinction and all the others bagged first class. Siya Sony (Science Stream) and Gayathri N K (Commerce Stream) emerged as the school toppers by securing 96 % and 89%. Siya Sony added yet another golden feather by achieving centum for Informatics Practices.

THE MERIT DAY

- The merit event was conducted on 13th July 2024 to honour the toppers of the AISSCE and AISSE examination. The chief guest Rev.Sr. Riya Therese CMC, Educational cousellor, Jaya Matha Province Pala reminded the students of their responsibilities and the importance to remain focussed in their studies and dreams. Local manager Sr. Tessin CMC and Director Sr. Srerene Maria CMC graced the occasion with their presence and Prof. Manesh Varghese John rendered a powerful message.
- For AISSCE and AISSE, prizes were given to School Toppers and students who secured 90 and above were given prizes. Toppers for each subject were also given the prizes.

• Our esteemed Computer Science teachers Mrs. Tessyamma Jacob and Mrs. Ankitha Mamachan and our Mathematics teacher Mrs. Priyaresmi Jose received prestigious award in recognition of their students achieved 100% score in their respective teaching subjects. In recognition of their hard work they were honored. The chief guest Rev. Sr. Riya Therese CMC Educational Councillor adorned them "PONNADA".

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

• Our PTA members are closely and actively involved in all the activities of the school. The PTA general body meeting was held on 20th July 2024. Dr. Angel Thomas, Clinical Psychologist from Marsleeva Medicity, conducted a class on 'Smart parenting' for the parents. The new executive members were elected and Adv. James Mathew Vettom was elected as the PTA president and Mrs. Dr. Angel Thomas was elected as Vice President.

TEACHERS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Our teachers constantly strive to stay updated, by attending workshop and various training programs. Principal and teachers attended CBP Training Program on new trends in education, experiential learning and a few Sahodaya Training Programs on the new changes in curriculum and evaluation and subject enrichment programs

• To enhance and improve the quality of English, the management organized an English Enrichment class for the entire teaching community on 20^{Th} and 21^{st} May. Mr Haricharan, famous resource person lead the class.

- There was yet another teacher enrichment program to improve the value and professional quality of teachers, the management arranged one day seminar for the teachers on 28th May 2024. Mr. Mathew M Kuriakose former principal, St. Thomas Higher secondary school Pala, guided the teachers
- In collaboration with Kottayam Sahodaya, Carmel Public School organized a workshop for English teachers on October 30th. The event drew enthusiastic participation from educators across various schools. Renowned resource person, Dr. Sreeson Gopinath, Director of CEIR Language Academy and Language Lab, led the engaging sessions.
- There was an IT enrichment programme conducted by Kottayam Sahodaya in association with EY Learning Links foundation on 14th August 2024, to introduce the ERNST and Young STEM an innovative programe designed to provide students especially girls aged 13 to 18 with critical knowledge and skills in various STEM Domains.
- On 22nd June 2024 four of our teachers participated in CBP programme on Stress Management at St. Alphonsa Public School & Junior College Aruvithura.
- Yet another enrichment programme conducted by Kottayam Sahodaya on 25th October 2024 at Lourdes Public School Kottayam, regarding the Foundational Stage to explore the foundations of wonder in Literacy, Numeracy, Holistic Development, Language Acquisition, Multilingualism and Inclusive Education
- There was an exclusive workshop for Hindi Teachers held at Orchid Residency Kottayam on 15th November 2024. Four of our Hindi Teachers participated in this enriching experience. The workshop focused on NEP with a special emphasis on Art Integration & Holistic Development.

STUDENTS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

To ensure that our students are equipped to face any challenge, we have focussed on a few student enrichment programme. Career orientation, career guidance, counselling program and so on. It enables the student to grow in confidence, knowledge and enhance their all round development.

- ✓ The Bharat Publications organized a two days book exhibition on 9th and 10th October 2024. Through this students realized the importance of reading and they were introduced different types of books for enhancing their communicative skills.
- ✓ On 20th June as the part of experiential Learning, standard IX students demonstrated one of their chapters in the Politics in relation to election and with the help of teachers they organized a polling section and carried out election process to nearly six positions. Master Philip Philip has been elected as Head Boy and Kumari Asin Maria Mathews has been elected as Head girl. I congratulate both Philip and Asin.

CE PROGRAMS

- ✓ Communicative English Leaders (CEL) were chosen and given badges.
- ✓ The <u>English Box</u> was placed on the campus for 15 days and students can drop their comments into the box. The best entries were selected and winners are given prizes
- ✓ <u>Speaking tests</u> for individual students were conducted on a regular basis.
- ✓ <u>CE Counseling</u> is a way to get to know the children personally and understand what inhibits them from speaking out in English in the classroom environment
- ✓ <u>Merit Card</u> Whenever any student does something good / positive, wins a game or performs a tasks, they can claim a Merit Card. At the end of the term the one who gets most Merit Cards will be given prizes.

Virtual interactive classroom These are communicative English sessions in which students sitting in a particular classroom interact with students in another classroom virtually. This is an innovative approach seeking to explore the possibilities of online interaction in learning English in real-life situations. A few interactive sessions of this kind were held this year and students could exchange ideas, ask questions and elicit answers. It is sure that these virtual interactions will really enhance students' listening and speaking skills.

HEALTH, WELLNESS AND VALUE EDUCATION

Realizing the vital significance of the Physical and Mental Health education, the school is providing opportunities for counselling to all the students. For this cause we have a full time counsellors and a special teacher. Special interest is taken to diagnose the academic backwardness of children in various areas.. We are blessed to have a dedicated team of counsillors and spiritual mentors who provide guidance and support to our students. Sr. Litha Abraham and Sr.Prasoona as consellors, Sr.Joicy as a spiritual mentor. They are always available to our students. We have been keeping up with our value education classes as well as religious instruction classes for catholic students. The tradition of special liturgies and confessions have been maintained.

MAIN SCHOOL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- This year's events and celebrations got kick started with the <u>Praveshanolsavam</u> on 3rd June 2024 for classes I to XII and yet another special Praveshanolsavam on 10th June 2024 for the little buds.
- World <u>Environment Day</u> was celebrated On 5th June 2024. Students decorated their respective class notice boards on that day. Principal planted trees in the presence of students.

- World Reading Day was celebrated on 18th June 2024 and related to that various competitions were organized in our school. To provide the students with a new reading experience and they could travel through the realm of arts, science and literature we introduced books of various famous authors to inculcate the importance of reading.
- Every Month <u>Holy Mass and Confession</u> is arranged for catholic students thus the school becomes spiritually motivated.
- <u>International Yoga Day</u> was celebrated on 21st June 2024. On that occasion the students of Carmel Public School performed different Yog Asanas on the stage.
- Welcoming Ceremony was conducted for LKG students on 10th June 2024. UKG students honoured the LKG students. It was a highlight of students experience, a memorable and happy occasion for the students as they donned cap and pledged to wear it with pride and dignity and in such a manner that it would always bring honour and distinction to their 'alma mater'.
- The much awaited event of the year, the <u>INVESTITURE CEREMONY</u> was held on 9th July 2024. The chief guest of the ceremony was Mr. Sadan, DYSP of Pala. The ceremony was officially started with the March Past of School Parliament members and ended by taking a promise to strictly adhere to the motto of the school "Towards Integral Personality" by their sprit and strength of character. The newly elected senate members were adorned with sashes. It instilled leadership qualities in students and opened a plethora of opportunities to experience the administrative powers.
- Our lady of Mount Carmel is our patroness of Carmel Family and the <u>Feast of our Lady</u> was celebrated with prayers and offerings on 15th July 2024. Various cultural programs were arranged in a splendid way and students could witness and taste the element of joy.

- The <u>Open House</u> is designed for parents and students to have a brief time to get acquainted with teachers and they get the opportunity to evaluate their wards performances in both curricular and extra curricular activities. Open House for classes 1 to XII held on 2nd August 2024.
- Young Carmelites celebrated the 77th <u>INDEPENDENCE DAY</u>, with great favor and enthusiasm. It was an extreme pleasure. We saluted our mother land by hoisting the tri colour flag. Patriotic song, declamation, a scintillating dance performance and a video presentation by the students filled everyone's heart with patriotism. As a salute to the nation students performed March Past and PT Display. A team from our school comprising Principal, Teacher Representatives, PTA President, Student Representatives, paid a tribute to the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, by visiting Gandhi Square. The team also visited the Daivadan Center. The day was marked by cultural activities performed by our students showcasing their Patriotic spirit and obligation towards the community.
- In commemoration of the birthday of Dr. Radhakrishnan, the great academician and former President of our nation, we celebrated <u>TEACHERS'</u>

 <u>DAY</u> in our school on 5th September 2024. The local manager and the senior retired teacher Sr Tessin CMC was honored on the occasion. The students then honored their teachers with personalized cards and thoughtful gifts. The highlight of the event was a spectacular dance performance by the Class 11 and 12 students, which left the audience mesmerized. On teachers Day our Student Teachers took charge of the classes, demonstrating their teaching skills and enthusiasm. To promote the spirit of teaching and motivation, the student teachers were awarded Best Teacher Awards. Best Teacher Award was given to Kumari Asin Maria Mathews of class XII.

- The academic year 2024-2025 Onam celebrations, '6020 2K24,' took place on 13th September at Carmel Public School, Pala. Principal Sister Rani P. Jose presided over the meeting and addressed the gathering. School Local Manager Sister Tessin C.M.C. delivered the inauguration speech. The presence of School Director Sister Serin Maria C.M.C. added grace to the occasion. As a part of Onam Celebrations Payasam was distributed to the entire Carmel family fostering a sense of community and togetherness among students, Teachers and Staff. As part of our Onam Celebrations a variety of exciting competitions were held, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of Kerala. The events included Pulikali, Athapookalam, Tug of War, Mega Thiruvathira etc.
- In reverence to the <u>Rosary Month</u>, Carmel Public School, Pala, organized a 10-day rosary recitation, on 8th October, dedicating the prayers to the students of Classes 10 and 12. "As we venerate the Holy Rosary, we seek Mother Mary's intercession for our students' holistic development. May this devotion inspire compassion, wisdom, and faith in our young minds."
- We honored the BirthAanniversary of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru the first Prime minister of India as <u>Children's day</u> on 14th November with great enthusiasm. The day was filled with fun filled activities and events that brought smile to the faces of our young students. Our little Chachaji Master Karthik M Sreejith delivered a speech and made the students energetic by his amazing words

<u>KINDERGARTEN TODDLERS EVENTS</u>

- Kindergarten toddlers were grandly welcomed to school campus on 10th June 2024. As the part of Welcoming Ceremony the Carmel family presented a balsam plant to each child and a sunflower cutouts. The day ended with parents getting to know the teaching staff and familiarizing themselves with the system.
- KG Arts Fest A vibrant celebrations of talent. The KG Arts Fest was celebrated on 13th August 2024. Our tiny tots took center stage, showcase in their incredible talents in various performances such as action songs, film songs and dances.
- Fruits day celebration was held on 10/10/24. After the formal function programs of kg students about importance of fruits in their daily life. KG teachers with students had prepared a delicious fruit salad which was distributed among the Kg students and parents. It was a wonderful way to promote healthy eating habits and foster a sense of community.
- Kg sports day was on 15th October 2024. All the students were participated in various events like throwball, musical chair ,50 m Race etc. It was a grand success ,showcasing the athletic power and teamwork of students. The event promoted healthy competition and sportsmanship among students.

ACCOLADES IN SPORTS AND GAMES

Carmel Public School successfully hosted its Annual Athletic Meet on October 16th and 17th, 2024. The two-day event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, teachers, and staff.

Inauguration Ceremony

The ceremony commenced with a warm welcome address by School Principal, Sr. Rani Jose, extending greetings to the chief guest, participants, teachers, and students. Municipal Vice Chairperson inaugurated the annual athletic meet, declaring the events open.

March Past and Oath-Taking Ceremony

- The march past of students, grouped into Blue, Green, Red, and Yellow houses, was a spectacular sight. House captains led the oath-taking ceremony, pledging fair play and sportsmanship. School Leader Philip Jacob spearheaded the ceremony. Competitions were held house wise. The Green House emerged as winners with 271 points and the Red house was the Runner Up with 179 points.
- CBSE 11th Cluster Athletic Meet 2024 conducted on 23rd and 24th September 2024 at Sreenarayana Public School Poothotta. We are proud to announce that Meira Philip, our talented student, has brought laurels to our school! Her Acheivements are: Silver Medal in 100m Race and Bronze Medal in 200m Race. She also has secured: 1st Prize in 60mtr. Running Race (Under-16 Girls Category) At the Amateur Athletic Meet held on 3rd October 2024 at Municipal Stadium, Pala. She was selected to National CBSE Meet held at Varanacy. Hearty congratulations to Meira on her outstanding achievement!
 - 11th CBSE Cluster <u>Kabadi Tournament</u> was conducted on 23rd and 24th September 2024 at Bhavans Varuna Vidyalaya Trikkakkara. The group of 12 students participated.
 - On 23rd November 2024 our students participated in <u>Interschool Football</u>

 <u>Tournament</u> held at St. Joseph's Public School Neeloor.
 - Sahodaya Inter School <u>Roller Skating</u> Championship was held on 30th September 2024 at SFS Public School Ettumanoor. Rohit K S Class 3 secured Third prize.
 - Adithya Satheesh of class IX participated in <u>Karate Ameture State Tournament</u> conducted on 9th November 2024 at Thiruvananthapuram. And was selected to Kerala Team and National Level.

RECOGNITION AND AWARD

- India Public School, Marangattupally and Josh K Mathew secured 2nd prize with A Grade for Recitation Hindi and 3rd Prize with A grade for Extempore English, Sera Mathew secured 3rd prize with A Grade for Recitation English, Asin Maria Mathews secured 3rd prize with A grade for Story Writing English and Devana Shibu secured 3rd prize with A grade for Light Music.
- Josh K Mathew of Class 8 secured 3rd position in ORMA International Speech competition Season -2
- On 12th November ,46 students of carmel Public school pala participated in El commercio - Commerce fest at Chavara public school pala and bagged second runner up position in the fest. Students won prizes for the following events.
 - ✓ Football -3rd prize with Cash prize Rs.1000
 - ✓ Spot Game Meenakshy V Rajesh second prize with Cash prize Rs.1000
 - ✓ Selling a product Second Prize –Rs 2000
 - ✓ Best Management Third Prize with cash prize Rs. 2000/
- Christom Antoo of XI A has won first prize in Blind Typing in Mountiesta 2k24 at Mary Mount Public School .He received a cash prize of Rs.2000.
 Congratulations Christom
- Independence Day Quiz Competition was organized by Social Science Club of Carmel Public School, Pala on 12th August 2024. It was organized to commemorate India's Independence Day and to assess students' knowledge about Indian history, freedom struggle, and national heroes. The competition was held in two rounds: (for Classes 1-7) and (for Classes 8-12).

Quiz competition winners

Category -I(classes 1 and 2)

- 1.Amal Kaimalettu
- 2.Nidhi Prasanth
- 3. Maartha Mathew

L.P Section (III and IV)

- 1.Agnus Jobin IV A
- 2.Neal George Kochumackel III A
- 3.Sarah Mary Mathews III A

U.P Section (V- VII)

- 1. Johan Philip John (VI B)
- 2.Navneeth Anil Kumar V B

H.S and H.S.S

- 1.Shone Siby (IXA)
- 2.Josh K Mathew VIIIB
- 3. Taniya Bilby VIII A

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- To hone latent skills in co-scholastic areas, students of Classes I to VIII are provided <u>structured activities</u>. Experts and professionals are invited to interact with the students. Various Co-curricular activities like Yoga, Karate, Music, and Dance classes are going on in the most successful manner.
- <u>CLUB ACTIVITIES</u>: Our school has various clubs activities like Social Science, Mathematics, Science, Literary, Anti-Narcotic and Arts clubs. These clubs are functioning effectively with the active participation of the students.
- Olympiad of Various Subjects Our school recently conducted Olympiad exams in multiple subjects providing students with a platform to showcase their academic skills and knowledge. The exam aimed at to encourage critical thinking.

ARTS FEST

The <u>"Dhwani"</u> art fest was a two-day event held at Carmel School on 13th and 14th August 2024, providing a platform for students to showcase their creative talents. The festival aimed to encourage students to express themselves through various art forms and foster a sense of teamwork and healthy competition among the school's houses. Students from four different houses, competing in a variety of 'off-stage and stage items'.

NEW VENTURES

KCSL Inaguration

The Inauguration of KCSL Pala diocese 2024-25 academic year was held at Carmel Public School Pala on 21st June 2024. The programme was designed to blend spiritual, intellectual, and cultural elements, providing a comprehensive and enriching experience for all attendees.

Anti-Drug Awareness

A special assembly was organized on 12th August 2024 at Carmel Public School, where a police officer delivered an awareness talk on the risks associated with drug abuse. The session aimed to inform and empower students to make informed choices and stay away from drugs. The program was part of a larger campaign across the Kottayam district to combat drug abuse.

• Charity Box

This year our school initiated a charitable endeavor, where students collect money class wise every Friday. The goal of this project is to accumulate funds for the needy and underprivileged members of our community. With the collection, we aim to make a positive impact on the lives of those who require support and assistance.

Fostering Inner Peace

In an effort to promote mental well-being and calmness, our school has introduced a new initiative. Every day just before the start of classes, students participate in a Soothing Bhajan and Meditation session. This mindful practice helps students calm their minds and prepare for a focused and productive day of learning.

Prayer for Excellence

Our teachers started reciting the Rosary during their morning prayer specially dedicating it to the students appearing for their Board Exams.

SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE

- It is our great privilege to inform that we are blessed with the modern technology based Language Lab, Maths Lab, social Science lab, Science lab, Computer Lab and several Digital Class rooms.
- Our school library has a fairly good collection of books on various subjects. It would help the students to enhance and enrich their knowledge.
- Our school has taken a significant step towards inclusivity by constructing a Ramp, aiming to support students with disabilities. This initiative is part of our commitment to accommodate disabled and physically challenged children, aligning with the New Education Policy of the Central Government.

VISITS AND PICNICS

Going beyond the classroom walls and textbooks comprehending the wonders that are beyond the syllabus and to gain first-hand knowledge, experience and augment academic learning, various tours and field trips were organized. We conducted a study tour to different tourists destinations in and out of Kerala from classes KG to XII.

SOCIAL AWARENESS AND CHARITY

To give back to the society for various noble causes, activities and support for the needy our students consolidated donations to various organization and needy individuals.

- Class X students, along with their teachers visited St. Vincent Old age home in Pala. The primary objective of this visit was to engage with the elderly residents, understand their needs and offer emotional support. Several cultural activities were conducted by the students to entertain and engage the residents. The home accommodates around 45 elderly residents and provides them with essential care. The warmth and affection of the residents were heart warming. After distributing 'payasam' and contributing some money, we left the place happily and with utmost satisfaction.
- As part of Children's Day celebration our students from classes 1 to 4 embarked a noble initiative. They brought food packets from their homes and collectively distributed them to the students of Shanthi Nilayam Special School, Anthinad and Sneharam Special School, Moonnani. A team comprising Principal, Teachers and student representatives visited these special schools, spending quality time with the students and spreading joy and cheer. This heartfelt gesture not only brought smiles to the faces of the special children but also instilled values of empathy, kindness and social responsibility in our students.

Friends and well-wishers as we build upon many accomplishments across our campus we thank you for your continued support to us at Carmel family. Your support truly energizes us, ensures our future success and allows us to prepare an increasing number of students for enriched lives for the society. We remain grateful to all the parents for reposing their unparalleled trustfulness which propels us to march ahead with greater commitment and enthusiasm. On this occasion we wish to express our gratitude to Mother Dr. Sr. Sigi CMC, Manager of the Jayamatha Educational and Charitable Trust and Sr Tessin CMC, Local Manager and Sr Serene Maria CMC Director of Carmel Public school, Pala whose inspiring leadership, motivated us to reach higher and higher

levels of Achievements in Academics, Sports and Co-Scholastic areas as well. With Gods grace and guidance and under the maternal care of our patroness Mary mother of Carmel, we hope to move forward with our priorities-innovation in our educational programmes, intellectual ambitions and globalisation and education. May almighty God bless each one of us and help us in translating our dreams as our school motto directs "Towards integral Personality"

CONCLUSION

Before concluding this report, I bow my head in reverence to the Almighty God for the blessings he has showered upon this institution. May I take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the students teaching and non teaching staff, PTA president, executives, parents, benefactors and well wishers for their whole hearted cooperation.

Let me conclude this report by entrusting our school in to the divine hands of Mother Mary our Patroness and invoke blessings of Lord Jesus.

Thanking you, God bless you
Sr. Kochurani P Jose
Principal