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THE 178TH ANNUAL DAY CUM PARENTS' DAY

A festive and joyous mood permeated the whole school as banners and lights festooned the St Mary's Hall and the quadrangle. The mega event: the 178th Annual Day and Parents' Day, on Thursday, 24th August, 2017.

Prof. Dr. S. Venkatesh, Chief Medical Officer, Vasan Eye Care Hospital and a Past Student of St Mary's (1982 batch), was the Chief Guest at the morning's programme for students.

In his speech Dr Venkatesh said that he was delighted to be back at St Mary's. He recalled his school days and praised his alma mater. He metaphorically concluded with a piece of advice to the students: "If you come to the edge of a cliff, don't be afraid of the fall. On the way down, your wings will spring up." Meaning, that one should not be afraid of the downsides of life. Failings and hurdles only equip us to face greater challenges.

Rev Fr Don Bosco Lourdasamy, sdb, Vice-Provincial, Chennai Province, was the Chief Guest at the evening's programme for parents and well-wishers. Fr Don Bosco said that many salesian schools come under the province. However, among them, St Mary's stands out. He exhorted the Management and the Staff to keep up the family spirit.

The father-figure of the St Mary's family, Rev Fr Pappuraj Antony, our Rector and Correspondent, drew an analogy between life and the echo-effect in a thought-provoking message.

ANNUAL REPORT

Rev Fr Francis Sundararaj, our Principal, presented the Annual Report through Power Point, along with Mr O S Irudayaraj and Mr Eugene Reddy, Assistant Headmasters, respectively.

CULTURALS

The cultural items and the dance performances that followed were a feast to the eye. The mime depicted the contrasting situations in family and school that have an impact on the boys.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

The Discipline Committee headed by Mr Nickolas took over this part of the programme. Rev Fr John Bosco Lourdasamy, the Chief Guest of the evening's programme distributed the prizes and awards in the presence of the Rector, Principal and Asst. Headmasters.

GUARD OF HONOUR

The Guard of Honour was provided by the RSP to the accompaniment of the Brass Band. The Rock Band churned out some delightful music.

Rev Fr Francis Sundararaj, our Principal welcomed and Mr Eugene Reddy and Mr OS Irudayaraj, AHMs, proposed the vote of thanks at the morning and evening programme, respectively. Masters V P Vivian Samuel, SPL and Nino Mugilan, ASPL, compered the programme.

Kudos to all the teachers and students who worked hard and participated to make the event a truly memorable one, that brought out the very essence of our School "In pursuit of excellence".

THE TEAM

Joe Gilbert, Timothy & Sabir, K. Sharbudeen Kasim, Camera : Siva

