



## St. Mary's Track Volume- 4 2023-24



**Chairman**  
**Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham**

**St. Mary's School, Chandigarh** is dedicated to providing an exceptional educational platform that nurtures the innate potential of each child. Our unwavering commitment to academic excellence is complemented by a holistic approach that encompasses the multifaceted growth of every student.



**Principal**  
**Dr. Martin Das Rao**

With an ever-evolving landscape of technological advancements, our institution strives to cultivate an environment that fosters innovation and critical thinking. We are steadfast in their endeavors to instill in our students the values of love, compassion, forgiveness, and peace. Our collective aspiration is to facilitate the growth of conscientious and responsible global citizens who will shape the future with their profound contributions. Together, let us embark on this transformative journey, empowering our children to embrace their boundless potential and emerge as compassionate leaders of tomorrow.

**Hard Work & Dedication: The Keys to unlock extraordinary Result.**



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The Class X students paid the fitting tribute to their mentors as they passed with flying colours in CBSE Board Examination for the session 2022-23. St. Mary's School has achieved 100% pass result for another year in a row. The outstanding performance of Marians bears testimony to the high quality of education imparted at St. Mary's School. Out of 76 students, 13 students have scored above 90% and 21 students scored between 80 to 90%. **Akshit Kanwar**

has bagged the first position by scoring 95.2 % followed by **Siya Arora & Rinnie Sanger** (94.8%) and **Annam Pranavi & Bhavya Sharma**(93.8%).

The School Management, Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham , Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao & Staff congratulated & appreciated the diligent students who strived hard to come up with flying colours.

**"Victorious Visions: Inter-School Champions Illuminate the Track!"**

**Art and artists have the power to ignite our imagination and touch our souls. Let your creativity be your guide and create your own masterpiece.**



St. Mary's School, Sector 46 B, Chandigarh, is proud to announce the outstanding achievements of its talented students in the Inter School Art and Craft competition organized by St. Anne's Convent School, Chandigarh.

**Arshita**, a student of class VIII A, showcased her artistic prowess by securing the **first position** in the Drawing & Coloring category. Her artwork beautifully portrayed an inclusive and respectful portrayal of women, capturing the essence of their strength and grace.

In addition, **Abhinav Seth**, a student of class VII B, demonstrated his creativity by winning the **third position** in the Best out of Waste category. His innovative use of materials showcased his ability to transform discarded items into something meaningful and visually appealing.

The Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham , expressed his delight at the students' achievements, stating, "We are immensely proud of **Arshita and Abhinav** for their exceptional performances in the Inter School Art and Craft competition. Their talent and creativity are a testament to the quality of education and nurturing environment provided at St. Mary's School."

The Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao, also commended the students, saying, "Arshita and Abhinav have showcased their artistic talents with great finesse and originality. Their achievements reflect the dedication and guidance of our Art & Craft teacher, Ms. Priya Arora who has nurtured their creative abilities."

## Dance is the Joy of Movement and the Heart of Life.



St. Mary's School is proud to announce **Nayansa Singh** won the second position in the highly anticipated Inter school Dance competition. Nayansa Singh showcased exceptional talent, creativity, and dedication, captivating the audience with her mesmerizing performance.

The competition, held at Mount Carmel School Sector 47, Chandigarh, witnessed fierce competition from talented participants across Chandigarh. Nayansa stood out with her impeccable technique, seamless choreography, and captivating stage presence.

Chairman Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham and Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao extended heartfelt congratulations to the winner for her remarkable accomplishment. Her success is a reflection of her talent, determination, and the guidance provided by their dance instructor, Ms. Swati Bohit.

## The Harder the battle, the Sweeter the Victory.



**Aksh Mor**, a talented athlete brought honour to St. Mary's School, Chandigarh by securing the Gold medal in the **Javelin Throw** event for boys under 12 at the Prestigious Chandigarh Sub Junior and Senior State Athletics Championship!

This remarkable feat was accomplished at the Sports Complex in Sector 7 B, Chandigarh. Aksh Mor showcased incredible skill, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the championship, making all proud.

Chairman Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham commended Aksh's remarkable feat, saying, "Aksh Mor has brought great honour to St. Mary's School with his Gold Medal. His commitment and passion for athletics are truly inspiring.

Principal Dr. Martin Das Rao also expressed his utmost admiration for Aksh's exceptional performance, stating, "Aksh Mor's dedication and hard work have paid off splendidly. We are immensely proud of his outstanding achievement and wish him continued success in his future endeavours.

### **Champions keep playing until They Get it Right.**



**Aksh Mor**, a talented athlete of St. Mary's School, Chandigarh has secured the Bronze medal in the **Second Chandigarh State Javelin Throw Athletics Championship**. The event took place at the Sports Complex in Sector 46 B, Chandigarh. Aksh's remarkable performance and dedication have earned them this prestigious achievement. Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham congratulated Aksh for his phenomenal achievement and appreciated him for his

hard work, perseverance, and dedication. "Aksh Mor's success is a shining example of the talent and determination we foster at our school. We commend Aksh for his exceptional performance and wish him continued success in his athletic pursuits" **Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao** remarked.

### **Poem Recitation is a mode of expression, a medium to reflect the latent talents of children.'**



The students of Grade I to VIII enthusiastically participated in the Inter Class Poem Recitation Competition as they got an opportunity to exhibit their talent and confidence. The competition inspired the young poets to come forward and recite on stage. They enjoyed the perfection of expression, thoughts, emotions, rhythm and music of words. Students were adjudged on the parameters like confidence, voice modulation, memorization and overall presentation. It was a splendid opportunity for them to gain confidence through stage exposure. Everyone was delighted with the performances.

## Get Ready for a Fantastic Academic Adventure

Welcome, tiny tots, to a world of learning and fun,  
Where each day brings new things to be done.  
With open arms, we're ready to guide and teach,  
Let's make this academic session a joyous reach!



St. Mary's School, Chandigarh opened doors with open arms to greet the little learners, ready to embark on an exciting educational journey. The first day was filled with laughter, smiles, and a sense of wonder as our students explored their new classrooms and met their teachers and classmates.

## Investiture Ceremony

**Investiture is a call to serve, to improve the lives of those you lead.**

The process of nurturing leadership should start from the initial years in the lives of students as they are the torch bearers of tomorrow.

Therefore, moulding them, and constructing within them a sense of self-respect, self-discipline and tolerance towards others is extremely pertinent. Every year with this firm faith and commitment, St. Mary's School, Chandigarh elects Student Council with Office Bearers.



The Investiture Ceremony was held on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 in the gracious presence of Hon'ble Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham, Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao and the Members of Management Committee. A spirit of unity and dynamism filled the air as the grand ceremony commenced with mellifluous prayer song rendered by the school choir. The Council members were conferred with badges and sashes as a mark of their responsibility and authority.

This year's council comprises of **Hiten Walia (Head Boy)**, **Nyansa Singh (Head Girl)**, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl along with House captains and Vice Captains, Sports Captain, Sports Vice Captain and Presidents & Vice Presidents of the different clubs of the school.

### **May Day Celebration**

St. Mary's School, Chandigarh, celebrated Labour Day with great enthusiasm and gratitude. The Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham, commended the hard work and dedication of all the workers, highlighting their invaluable contributions to the school community. The Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao, expressed heartfelt appreciation for the efforts of the workers and emphasized the importance of recognizing their contributions. The day was filled with various activities and messages of gratitude from students and staff, creating a memorable celebration. It was a wonderful opportunity to honor the unsung heroes who play a vital role in making our school a better place.



### **Mother's Day Celebration**

**No language can express the power and beauty and heroism of a mother's love.**

St. Mary's School, Chandigarh, celebrated Mother's Day with immense joy and love. Students and staff organized special events and heartfelt activities to honor and appreciate the incredible mothers in our lives. It was a heartwarming celebration that reminded us of the immeasurable love and support our mothers provide.

### **Van Mahotsav- The Festival of Trees**

A special assembly on 'Van Mahotsav- The Festival of Trees' was conducted by **Eco Club** of St. Mary's School, Chandigarh with the motto to spread the message of Importance of Tree Plantation. A plethora of events flooded the stage, beginning with an insightful thought on Environment. An informative and thought provoking speech on 'Significance of Van Mahotsav' was delivered. A heart touching song by the school choir enthralled the audience. Van Mahotsav was an endeavour to set



align the values of social responsibility in the students towards safeguarding Mother Nature. Hon'ble Chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham planted a sapling. Plantation drive went on with planting a number of medicinal, flowering and ornamental plants by the students.

### **Rakhi Making Competition**

St. Mary's School, Chandigarh, organized a Rakhi Making Competition with great enthusiasm. Students showcased their creativity and craftsmanship by making beautiful Rakhis. The chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham, appreciated the students' efforts in preserving the traditional art of Rakhi making and fostering the bond between siblings. Dr. Martin Das Rao, the principal, commended the participants for their skill and encouraged them to continue exploring their artistic talents. It was a delightful event that celebrated the spirit of Raksha Bandhan and promoted the importance of sibling love and unity.

### **Activities of Independence Day**

**Oh, how we adore our nation, so grand,  
With its beauty and strength, hand in hand.  
United we stand, in love and pride,  
Our nation's spirit, forever by our side.**

**Love the nation and live to serve the Nation**

### **Solo Dance Competition**



To hone the dancing skills of the students, an Inter class Solo Dance Competition was organized on 5th August 2023 by St. Mary's School, Chandigarh, with the theme '**Patriotism**'. Students expressed their love for the country. They danced on 'feet-tapping music' and engaging lyrics. The vivacious dancers set the floor on fire with their energetic performances and this was a reflection of their passion and hard work. It was heart-warming to watch the talented dancers of our school perform so

meticulously and confidently. Their performances left everyone awestruck. The energy level of all dancers was top tier. The judges and the audience were enthralled with the dazzling dance performances. The choreography, rhythm, synchronization and presentation of all the students were very good.

The judges congratulated the winners and appreciated the performance of all the children and also encouraged them to participate more in such competitions to enhance their talents.

### **Inter House Patriotic Song Competition**

The talented young minds of St. Mary's School, Chandigarh showcased their singing prowess in the Inter House Patriotic Song competition. With the theme of "patriotism" the event resonated deeply with the essence of the nation's freedom struggle and the fervour of Independence Day. The competition witnessed an impressive array of heartfelt and evocative songs that left the audience- spellbound. Gandhi House begged the First position.



### **Patriotic Song**



The tiny tots paid a heartfelt tribute to freedom fighters during a magnificent Independence Day celebration. Their soul-stirring rendition of a patriotic song filled the atmosphere with immense patriotism and left everyone in awe. The young performers showcased their love for the country, reminding us all of the importance of unity and freedom. It was a truly memorable event that will be cherished for years to come.

### **Independence Day Celebration**



The 77<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of India was celebrated with immense patriotic zeal and enthusiasm by the students and staff of St. Mary's School, Chandigarh. The students showcased their patriotism and pride for the nation through a series of spectacular dance, play, speeches and music performances. The students, dressed in the vibrant colours of the nation – green, white and saffron – performed a medley of heart touching patriotic songs complemented by the harmonious tunes of the keyboard. Through their serenade, they declared to be willing to sacrifice everything for their nation and rejoiced in the unity that continued to exist despite their diversity. The students showed their skills of Taekwondo

The celebration commenced with the unfurling of the National Flag followed by the March Past by the four Houses of the School and National Anthem & the release of a myriad of tricolour balloons into the sky.

**Chief Guest, Rev. Fr. Dr. Vivek Varghese & Members of Management Committee** graced the event with their gracious presence. The Chief Guest addressed the audience and shared details about the importance of colours of our National Flag and urged the students to keep the flag of the nation flying high as the citizens of tomorrow. The chairman, Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham In his Independence Day address exhorted the audience to be proud of their Indian heritage and to be good citizens and make India better in all counts using the knowledge and experience that the school imparts. Principal, Dr. Martin Das Rao addressed the gathering by reiterating the way our brave freedom fighters sacrificed their lives, happiness and families so that we can enjoy the taste of liberty. He encouraged the students to remain Indian at heart, whichever part of the world they decide to live in.

**Being soaked alone is cold. Being soaked with your best friends is a celebration.**

**Shining, shining children  
Of the summer rain,  
Racing down the valley,  
Sweeping o'er the plain!**

St. Mary's School, Chandigarh organized a delightful **Rainy Day celebration** for adorable kindergarten students. It was a day filled with laughter, joy, and lots of fun activities.

The little ones embraced the rainy season with open arms as they splashed in puddles, danced under mini umbrellas, and enjoyed various water-themed games. The atmosphere was filled with excitement and happiness as the children explored the wonders of rain.

The dedicated teachers and staff ensured that the event was both safe and enjoyable for the students. They provided guidance and supervision throughout the activities, ensuring that everyone had a fantastic time.



## Science Quiz



To expose the students to new facets of awareness of the Human Body, combining Biology and Human Anatomy, an Inter-House Science Quiz was held by St. Mary's School, Chandigarh for students.

Each house was a team of four participants which included one student per class. The finalists were shortlisted through a preliminary round conducted in the form of a written test across classes. Each house exuberated confidence as they answered the questions posed to them while being cheered upon by their house mates from the audience. The varied types of questions asked triggered the curious minds and made it a fun and learning event for all.

## Teachers' Day Celebration

**Teachers, our guiding light,  
With knowledge and wisdom so bright.  
On this special day, we say hooray,  
For all the ways you light our way!**



St. Mary's School, Chandigarh successfully concluded its grand Teachers' Day celebration, honoring the exceptional educators who play a vital role in shaping the future of our students.

The event, held on 5 September, 2023 was a resounding success, filled with heartfelt gratitude and admiration for the dedicated teachers of St. Mary's School. Students, parents, and staff came together to express their appreciation for the tireless efforts and unwavering commitment of the teachers.

The celebration featured a variety of activities, including heartfelt speeches, students' dance performances and play. Students danced with joy, showcasing their talent, while becoming perfect replicas of their beloved teachers on Teachers' Day. The atmosphere was filled with joy, warmth, and a deep sense of respect for the remarkable individuals who have dedicated their lives to nurturing young minds.

### **St. Mary's Day Celebration**

**'The Lord has done great things for me, and I am filled with joy' – Mother Mary**



St. Mary's School, Sec.46, Chandigarh, celebrated **St. Mary's Day** with great enthusiasm and reverence. A special morning assembly was held to honor the patron saint of the school, Mother Mary.

The school choir mesmerized everyone with a melodious song dedicated to Mother Mary. Floral Tribute was paid to Mother Mary. The occasion featured a beautiful Bible reading and an impactful speech, leaving attendees feeling uplifted and connected. The celebration aimed to honor the life and teachings of

Mother Mary, fostering a sense of love and devotion. The atmosphere was filled with devotion and gratitude.

Rev. Fr. Aju Abraham, the esteemed chairman of the school, graced the assembly with his presence. He enlightened the students about the remarkable life of Mother Mary and her significant contributions to humanity. He emphasized the importance of cultivating virtues like humility, dedication, sacrificial love, and obedience, which Mother Mary exemplified. The celebration served as a

reminder of the importance of faith and the profound impact of Mother Mary's influence.

### **Krishna Janmashtami**



Kindergarten section of St. Mary's school, Chandigarh held a vibrant celebration of Krishna Janmashtami, spreading joy and embracing the spirit of Lord Krishna's birth. The Tiny Tots showcased their talents through mesmerizing dance performances and beautiful decorations.

The event was a perfect blend of fun and learning, as the children learned about the significance of Lord Krishna's birth and the values he embodied. The teachers worked tirelessly to create an immersive and engaging experience for the young learners.

### **Poster Making Competition**



St. Mary's School, Chandigarh organized a vibrant and engaging Poster Making Competition to celebrate Earth Day. Students showcased their artistic talents and expressed their love for the planet through their creative artwork. The competition aimed to raise awareness about environmental conservation and the importance of taking care of our planet. The event was a great success, with participants demonstrating their passion for preserving the Earth's beauty.

### **Inter Class Poem Recitation Competition**

**Poetry comes alive to me through recitation.” —  
Natalie Merchant**

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## Hindi Week Celebration



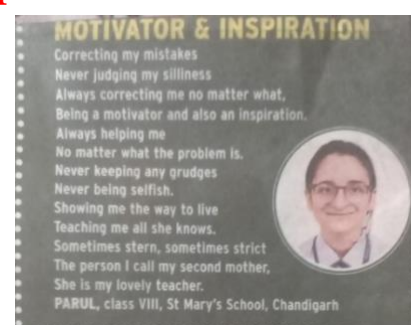
St. Mary's School, Chandigarh, celebrated **Hindi Week** with great enthusiasm. Students showcased their love for the Hindi language through various activities and events. The celebration emphasized the importance of preserving



and promoting our rich cultural heritage through the Hindi language. It was a vibrant celebration that fostered a deeper appreciation for our national language.

**Our student Parul Sharma of Class VIII B is now published writer!** 🎉📖

Our talented student Parul Sharma's poem has been published, showcasing her creativity and brilliance. Her creativity is absolutely mind-blowing. Her words have now reached a wider audience, allowing others to appreciate her creativity and perspective.



## St. Mary's School Shines in the Spotlight: Fostering Academic Excellence and Holistic Development

St. Mary's School, Chandigarh has been making waves in the education sector, standing out as a beacon of academic excellence and holistic development. With its dedicated faculty, state-of-the-art facilities, and student-centred approach, St. Mary's School has become synonymous with quality education and overall growth. The school's commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals through a blend of rigorous academics, extracurricular activities, and

character-building programs has garnered well-deserved recognition and praise from parents, students, and the community.

**Stay tuned for more exciting updates and achievements from St. Mary's School!**

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