

Kridotsava-2025 at Kristu Jayanti College

Dr. M. A. Saleem, Director General of Police, Criminal Investigation Department, Karnataka inaugurated the much-anticipated annual sports day “Kridotsava-2025” at KJC, Bengaluru on January 25, 2025, with a variety of events, including track and field competitions. Dr. M. A. Saleem declared the sports meet open and lighted the ceremonial torch, evoking parallels with the ancient Greek Olympics. The day began with a magnificent march past lead by the NCC, which featured teams including Jayantian Phoenix, Falcon, Nova, Knights, Blasters, and Dominators.



Fr. Dr. Augustine George announced the march past results, which showed Jayantian Dominators in first position, Jayantian Nova

in second, and Jayantian Falcon in third. A day of intense competition and celebration ensued as the sporting events got underway after the formal ceremonies. Students competed in track events, long jump, javelin throw, and other track and field events. Dr. Fr. Lijo P Thomas, VP, Fr. Jais V Thomas, Financial Administrator, Emmanuel P J, Director, KJC of Law, Mr. Arockiaraj S, Physical Education Director were also present.

“Padma Shri Anupama Hoskere unfurls the National Flag at Presidency University

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with a patriotic and joyful spirit at the Presidency University campus. The Chief Guest of the Republic Day Ceremony was Padma Shri Anupama Hoskere.



The master puppeteer and Founder-Director, Dhaatu Puppet Theater, Bengaluru, unfurled the Tricolor and spoke about the importance of knowing and appreciating the rich cultural heritage of our beloved nation. Speaking about the importance of various Indian arts and the beautiful unity in diversity that makes Bharat a great country, Smt. Anupama Hoskere, who is a Padma Shri awardee as well as the recipient of the prestigious Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar, encouraged the students to pursue their passion and take pride in being Indian. Dr. Nissar Ahmed, Chancellor, Presidency University, Prof. Vijayan Immanuel, Vice Chancellor and Dr. Vidya Shankar Shetty, Pro VC was also present on this occasion and took salute of the Republic Day Parade done by the NCC cadets. Patriotic dance performance by the students was also a highlight of the celebration.

Embassy Public School celebrated their Annual day 2024-25 SPECTRA,



Annual day 2024-25 SPECTRA, a Plethora of cultural fest celebrated by Embassy Public School. It was a show solely conceptualized, designed and executed by the whole Embassy team. The oc-

casation was graced by our Chief guest Dr. Vijayalakshmi Balekundri, known as Mother of Pediatric Cardiologist, Mrs. Savita Venkatesh chairperson. The event was marked by awarding students who secured centum result in ICSE board by Aneesh Charitable trust. Eight students of 2023-2024 batch who secured centum in different subjects received 5 gram gold as a token of appreciation. Topper of the school DIYA JAIN secured 97.2% secured centum in History/Civics and Biology.

Kristu Jayanti College Celebrates 76th Republic Day with Flag Hoisting and Inspiring Address



Kristu Jayanti College celebrated the 76th Republic Day with the unfurling of the National Flag, followed by an inspiring address by Dr. Mary Jacob, Coordinator of the Human Resources Development Centre, Department of Computer Science. Addressing the audience, Dr. Jacob celebrated the diversity of India, calling it the nation’s strength. Principal Fr. Dr. Augustine George, in his address, underlined the values of democracy, the sacrifices of freedom fighters, and the ambitions of young Indians, urged citizens to recognize India’s successes and accept responsibility for building a progressive and inclusive nation. NCC Cadets, students, and faculty members of Kristu Jayanti College took an oath to uphold the values of the Constitution and contribute to nation-building as part of the 76th Republic Day celebrations. The event was graced by Fr. Dr. Augustine George, Principal, Fr. Jais V Thomas, Financial Administrator, Fr. Som Zacharia, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development, and Mr. Arockiaraj S, Physical Education Director, who inspired and encouraged the participants with their presence.

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Kristu Jayanti College(KJC) in collaboration with the University of Auckland, New Zealand, hosted a two-day international conference on “Asia’s Maritime History and Identity at Cultural Crossroads.” The event, which gathered over 450 people and had 230 paper presentations, looked into Asia’s rich maritime legacy and its impact on cultural identity, trade, and interconnection. Col. Dr. DPK Pillay (Retd.), a Research Fellow at the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses and a recipient of the Shaurya Chakra award, inaugurated the conference. Dr. Pillay emphasized in his keynote speech the close ties that have been cultivated across Asian civilizations through maritime exploration, trade, and cross-cultural interactions. The gathering was presided over by Fr. Dr. Lijo P. Thomas, VP of KJC, who emphasized the need of these conversations in comprehending the complicated identities of today. Distinguished experts participated in the discussion, including Prof. Dr. Mark Barrow, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Education, University of Auckland; Dr. Esther Fitzpatrick, Director, Graduate Diploma in Teaching, University of Auckland; and Dr. Maya Vinai, Associate Professor at BITS Pilani & other important speakers. The event included a compelling display of curated works by artist Paul Fernandes and student-led art installations that provided visual insights into nautical history. It encouraged transdisciplinary collaboration, connecting local marine history to global narratives and raising awareness of environmental and cultural challenges. It successfully facilitated a cross-cultural discourse, broadening our awareness of Asia’s varied marine legacy.