

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL, PANISAGAR



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Dear Parents, Teachers & Students

Greetings to you all!

As we stepped into a brand new year 2025, I wish and pray that this year will be another year of learning and blessings of the Almighty God.

The past year has been an incredible journey, filled with achievements, good learnings, and sweet memories that we cherish. From academic excellence to extracurricular successes, our students have made us proud in every way. As we look to the future, I

encourage each and every one of you to embrace the possibilities that this New Year brings. Let us strive for excellence, push beyond our boundaries, and support one another in our pursuit of knowledge, growth and concern for our common home – the earth.

Once a King was going alone in the forest, riding on a horse. When he was passing by a hut, there he saw a parrot in the cage. On seeing King, parrot cried out, "Run.. Catch it.. Kill it... Snatch its horse...Take away his jewels." King understood that he had come to bandit's colony. Knowing that, King made his horse run with full speed. On hearing parrot voice bandits came out and started to chase King.

Bandit's followed but King's horse ran so fast, that bandits had to give up chase. While going ahead, King came across another hut. There he saw another parrot sitting in front of cage. On seeing King, that parrot said, "Come.. Welcome.. Guest have arrives... Bring food and water." Just at that time, King realized that he had come to the ashram of Saints and sages. On hearing Parrots voice, sages came out immediately and welcomed the King. King, accepted hospitality of sages. Later, he went to sage and told everything that happened previously and asked, "Maharaj! Why there is such a difference in nature of birds of same species?" Even before sage could say anything, parrot said," King.. We are both child of same parents but at early age, we both got separated. He was taken away by a bandit and I was bought here by a sage.

Whole day, he listens to the words of violent bandits and I listen to words of sage, their discourse about God. That's reason we both grew up to be so different."

Learning:

As the child grows, the parents, surrounding environment and friends influence children's life. That is why parents should pay attention to inculcate good values in their children and keep children away from bad company.

This tenth publication of our school newsletter is the testimony of our school's spirit, creativity, and school fraternity. I invite you to flip through its pages, relive the memories, and get inspired by the stories and achievements of our beloved students.

Here is an amazing year 2025, filled with promise, excitement, and endless possibilities!

Thank you

God Bless

Principal

Oct 21st: School Re-Open and welcome to Fr. Aneesh Mathew CSC:

Coming back to school after the brief holidays is a joy and happy return. Though some students have not reported back, the regular classes began with a good number of students and staff being present. It was also a joyful day in which the school community welcomed Fr. Aneesh Mathew csc a Holy Cross priest, with a melodious welcome song and flowers. He takes charge of helping the teachers and students in the field of teaching-learning methods to be more effective. His expertise will enable our school community to be efficient in the field of education and in the formation of hearts and minds.



Oct 28th: Ground Breaking:



It was a long felt need of the school and the concern of the people around to upgrade the school to higher secondary level. So the management of the Holy Cross Educational foundation approved the proposal and the chairman Fr. KJ Abraham csc, broke the ground and laid the foundation for six class room structure and work is on progress.

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Nov 09th: Parent Teacher Meet: (PTM):



We hold an answer sheet assessment day to show parents their child's answer sheets after exams. This helps them to understand how their child performed in the exam and identify any errors so as to guide their children at home. So on this day, parents of all classes came in good numbers to look at their wards' answer sheets. It was a day, the campus was filled with parents.

Nov 12th: District-level Essay and Poetry competitions:

The essay and poetry writing competition hopefully stimulate young minds to think about the nation. The art of poetry transcends mere words on a page; it is an intimate dance of emotion and insight. It unravels lifetimes of feeling, offering a respite, a reflection, a revelation. It challenges us to consider the world anew through a prism of metaphor and meter that relegates the ordinary to the extraordinary. Six of our students participated and two of them won the prize at the district level at Dharmanagar.



Nov 14th: Children's Day Celebration:

Children's Day, celebrated on November 14th, is dedicated to the well-being of children. It coincides with the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the country's first Prime Minister, who advocated for children's rights and education. The day serves as a reminder to protect and nurture children's innocence and potential, focusing on education, nutrition, and a secure environment. So on this day, all the leaders of the classes were welcomed from the school gate by the school band group. It was a delightful honour showered on the leaders of the classes by the teachers. It was a day filled with fun and laughter as the programs were performed by the teachers. They also organised games and distributed prizes for the winners. At the end, all the students were given a snack pack each.

Nov 26th: Constitution Adoption Day: (Speech by Neha Nath VI A)

This day is celebrated as Samvidhan Divas. This day is very special because it marks the adoption of our Indian Constitution in 1949. Our constitution is a very important document that guides our country and ensures that everyone is treated equally with justice. The constitution was made by a team of wise people, led by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, who is also known as the Father of the Indian constitution. He worked hard to make sure that our constitution is fair and just for everyone. Let's all remember the values of our constitution and try to follow them in our daily lives. We should respect each other's rights and work together to build a fair and just society.

**Dec 07th: Annual Parents Day:**

The day is celebrated to thank and honour parents who do everything to raise and protect their children. National Parents Day demonstrates how much society values the role that parents play in their children's lives and how much labour goes into raising a child. From dance performances to speeches, the school's annual day is one day that is eagerly anticipated by children and parents alike, every year. This 27th Annual Parent's Day began with the lighting of the lamp by Shri. Dabapriya Bardhan IAS, the DM& Collector of N.Tripura and Rev.KJ.Abraham csc the Provincial and many other dignitaries on the dais. Our students showcased a scintillating cultural extravaganza, beautifully representing the rich diversity of NE and South as well. The theme for the celebration was "**Roots and Wings.**" This metaphor encapsulated our school's mission, to nurture and empower our students to soar to greater heights, while remaining grounded in values and roots that will sustain them throughout their lives. Roots of strength are the wings of grace.

Dec 09th: Model Exam for class X:

Examinations and class tests keep the students on track. So the seventy-six students of our present class ten students appeared for the pre-board examination. This helped them to prepare for the actual board exam in Feb-2025. All the students wrote this examination with lots of enthusiasm and interest.

**Dec 13th: Subject approval for class XI, 2025:**

The anxious moment of getting the subject approval from the TBSE became much faster than we expected. The persistent work of our office assistant Mr. Hebal Halam and the constant blessing of the Almighty made it easier, as we received the following subject approval from the Board:

ARTS GROUP: English, Geography, Sociology, Political Science and Education.

SCIENCE GROUP: English, Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology.

Dec 18th: Pre-Christmas Celebration & Winter vacation begins:

Christmas is a Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus who is believed to have been born two thousand years back. His birth made a tragic change and divided the history into BC & AD. Since the early 20th century, Christmas has also been a secular festival observed by Christians and non-Christians alike, devoid of Christian elements, and marked by an increasingly elaborate exchange of gifts. In this secular Christmas celebration, a mythical figure named Santa Claus plays a pivotal role. So in a way of beginning the winter holidays and merry-making, our students performed a skit, danced and sang. At the end of it, all the students were given a pack of cake to sweeten their mouth and they all left for holidays.

Jan 08th: Classes Resume:

To smile without condition, to talk without intention to give without reason and to care without expectation is the beauty of any relation. So having spent the holidays with friends and relatives, all the staff and students returned to the normal routine of the year 2025. All of them were welcomed to this New Year and regular classes began by acknowledging the two birthdays of Bros. Pintu and Wanbor in the assembly. All staff and students greeted them with prayerful greetings.

**Jan 14th: Makar Sankranti:**

This festival is celebrated across India in widely varying manners and with different names according to local traditions and languages. Eating sweets, bathing in bodies of water, and making intricate rangolis are typical celebratory practices for Makar Sankranti throughout India. On the following day, one of our students presented a talk on this festival and all students learned about this festival and how it is celebrated in the other states in different names across our county. With praise and gratitude to God, we concluded the year 2022.

Jan 16th: Former Principal Fr. Paul CR welcomed:

It is a joy to cherish the memories of someone who has served and sacrificed much for the development of the school and the students. And Fr. Paul CR who was a dynamic principal of this school from 2007 to 2012, had a panoramic view of the school and was impressed much about the growth and development of the school. The staff and students welcomed him to the assembly and honoured him with a song and flowers.



Jan 20 – 25th: Sports Week:

Sports Week Culture in School has been an integral part of education, offering students the opportunity to develop physical, mental, and social skills. In school, this integration is often highlighted during events like Sports Week, a celebration that involves a wide range of activities focused on athleticism, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Sports Week culture in school goes beyond just playing games; it fosters **holistic development**, builds a sense of community, and promotes physical health.

So our school staff organised a variety of games for all the students from KG to Class X, to bring out their potential and to inculcate the values of good health. On the final day, the student fraternity celebrated with great vigour and mirth. Shri. Khaushikh chakraborty RCPE, asst. prof. and Shri. Nishi Ranjan Debnath TW Extension Officer from



Panisagar unfurled the flag and took the march past. This event featured a range of sports competitions, including march past, track and field events, team sports, and fun games for kindergarten kids. The event also included a friendly tug-of-war between various groups. The Sports Day celebration is not only a fun event but also an opportunity to promote physical fitness, sportsmanship,

and teamwork among students. As emphasized by the Principal 'it is not important to win, but participation that makes all the difference'. Sports Day is not just about winning or losing; it's about the journey, the teamwork, the friendships and the resilience gained along the way. It's about pushing the students to new heights, testing their limits, and discovering potential. It was a well-organized and zealously participated event.

Jan 19th: Kokborok Day:

Cultural celebrations bring variety and appreciation for the



native culture and traditions. Kokborok is an official language in Tripura. This day was chosen to commemorate its initial recognition as an official language in 1979. Some of our students in their cultural attire participated in the block-level celebration and won the appreciation of the locals and government officials.

Jan 24th: Khelo India:

District-level girls' football tournament was organized in Dharmanagar. Our school girls very enthusiastically participated and won the runners-up – cup for the school. It was the first time they won in such a match, and the girls were very overjoyed and considered this a great blessing to them.



Jan 31st: Farewell to Class X:

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Saying goodbye is tough, especially when you're leaving a place that has been your second home for years. As Class 10 students get ready to move on to the next chapter of their lives, they often find themselves thinking about the memories, friendships, and lessons learned during their time at school. This memorable program filled with fun and gratitude was organised by the students of class IX for their outgoing friends. The principal in his speech appreciated the students for their continuous learning and reminded them to be grateful always for all the blessings they receive in life. And handed them each a memento and packet of snacks. This farewell program captured the bittersweet feelings of leaving behind familiar faces and places while looking forward to new beginnings.

Thanks from: Sir. Nuna Darlong:

On the fateful evening of Jan 15th while coming towards Kumarghat by his bike, due to the fog and lack of visibility Mr. Nuna hit a post which was on the side of the road. Having been injured internally, he was brought to a nearby hospital and then shifted to Agartala ILS for urgent attention. Undergoing operation and treatment needed a lot of money. So the School staff, students and the management have contributed some amount of money towards the medical expenses. So his family members have expressed a sense of gratitude for all and seek the prayerful support of everyone for Mr. Nuna's speedy recovery.

**Students' Corner****The History of Kali Puja:**

This is a festival that venerates Goddess Kali, who is the Adi Shakti or Supreme power as per Hindu mythology. Kali puja is also known as Mahanisha Puja and it is celebrated on the day of Diwali. It is observed on the new moon day in the Hindu month of Kartik. Kali Puja festival is not a very ancient festival and its origin dates back to the 18th century. Before that the festival was practically unknown; however, references to an annual festival venerating Kali were made in a late 17th-century text named Kalika Mangalkavya by Balram. Sometimes in the 18th century, during the rule of King Krisinachandra, Kali Puja was started in the

West Bengal. In the coming centuries, the festival became more popular and was celebrated by wealthy landlords in a grand and opulent way. Since then the festival has been celebrated grandly in Bengal and is the most significant festival after Durga puja celebrated during Diwali. Though this is not an ancient festival, Kali Puja is a very significant festival for Hindus, especially in the state of West Bengal. The festival reaffirms the devotion of Hindus in one of the forms of Goddess Surga. It also shows the respect women enjoy in Hindu culture and society.

—By Saptak Deb Bhadra VIII



Diwali: It's one of the most cherished and celebrated festivals in India by millions across the world irrespective of their own religion. It symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness, good over evil and knowledge over ignorance. The story of Diwali connects us to the return of Lord Ram to Ayodhya after the victory over Ravana where the people lit diyas to welcome him home, symbolizing hope and

happiness. Today, Diwali reminds us of the values we cherish; family togetherness and generosity. We clean our homes and decorate them with rangolis and light lamps to welcome peace and prosperity. We also exchanged sweets and gifts which strengthened our bonds with family and friends and brought everyone more closely. But Diwali is not only about celebration, it is a time for reflection as well. It encourages us to look within to light the diyas of kindness in our hearts and to share happiness with others. As we celebrate the beautiful festival, let's remember to spread joy around, respecting our environment and those around us. May the lights of Diwali fill each of our lives with happiness, good health and success.

-By. Rajdeep Nath, IX A.

Festival of Lights: This festival of lights known as Diwali comes in the month of Oct or Nov every year. It holds immense cultural and religious importance as it commemorates the return of Lord Ram to Ayodhya after his heroic victory over the demon king Ravana. During this time homes are decorated and beautified the inner and outer looks with pretty flowers and colors. It is a time when people love to give and receive gifts. They also wear new and fancy clothes, which make everything feels good and happy. The day of celebration includes more prayers and rituals dedicated to Goddess Lakshmi and Lord Ganesha, the divine patrons of wealth. Devotes seek their blessings for a life filled with abundance and enlightenment. Homes are decorated at night with diyas symbolizing goodness everywhere.



-By. Supradip Deb Purkayasha IX,B



National Education Day: Every year November 11th is celebrated as National Educational Day. It is a very important day in our history to honour Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, a great leader and India's first education minister. His dedication to the field of education and his efforts to make it available to everyone has left a long-lasting impact on our nation. The objective of celebrating National Education Day is to strengthen, India's educational constitution and to raise the quality of education to greater heights. The occasion of National Education Day reminds us all that we must give opportunities to every child who is deprived of education. The best gift parents can give their children is education. We can also use this day to advocate for the importance of education for all children, regardless of their background or circumstances.

-By: Shristi Debnath, VII A

National Princes Day: Every year November 18th is celebrated as National Princes Day. It's a celebration of every girl who deserves to celebrate this day because every girl is a princess in their own family. Perhaps you know a Princess who shines because of her gift of laughter, making everyone around them smile. Princess shows their royal nature by their great acts of kindness and heart of gold. This day is also celebrated on the birthday of Mickey Mouse.

-By Kanika Kapali VII B



Gurunank Jayanthi: Nanak was born on 15 April 1469 in Punjab. His father was an accountant in Talwandi village. On 24 September 1487, he married Mata Sulakkani. Nanak was the founder of Sikhism. Faith, endeavouring for social justice, honest conduct and prosperity for all were a few ultimate principles of Sikhism. The Sikh community today



worship Guru Nanak as the supreme power of their community. 974 hymns have been contributed by Guru Nanak. Gurunank jayanthi is a very big day for those who follow Sikhism. They celebrate the day to remember and pay gratitude to Guru Nanak Dev. People respect him for his great contributions to humanity. Moreover, various states of India observe his birthday as a public holiday. One of the important things that he taught was that there is one God who is within the human hearts and can be known by the grace of the guru.

-By Silvia Nath VII-A.

Amazing Facts:

1. Crocodiles cannot stick their tongue out
2. Starfish do not have a brain
3. Only female mosquitos bite
4. Octopuses have three hearts
5. Male seahorses give birth
6. Owls don't have eyeballs
7. Cows have best friends
8. Polar bears have black skin.

Collected by:

Madhurima Debnath VII B



May your enemies work unknowingly in your favour?

- o Stay away from Anger.. It hurts... Only You!
- o If you are right then there is no need to get angry,
- o And if you are wrong then you don't have any right toget angry.
- o Patience with family is love,
- o Patience with others is respect.
- o Patience with self is confidence and Patience withGOD is faith.
- o Never Think Hard about the PAST, It brings Tears...
- o Don't think more about the FUTURE, It brings Fear...
- o Live this Moment with a Smile, It brings Cheer.
- o Every test in our life makes us bitter or better,
- o Every problem comes to make us or break us,
- o The choice is ours whether we become victims orvictorious.
- o Beautiful things are not always good but good thingsare always beautiful
- o Do you know why God created gaps between fingers?
- o So that someone who is special to you comes and fillsthose gaps by holding your hand forever.
- o Happiness keeps You Sweet... But being sweet bringshappiness.

Guljaril Nanda: Frugal and Honest life dedicated to the country

When former Prime Minister Gulzarilal Nanda died in Ahmedabad on January 15, 1998, his family needed just one bag to pack all his personal belongings. A five-time MP — thrice from Sabarkantha in Gujarat — Nanda had no property in his name at the time of his death. The house in Navrangpura where he spent his last years belongs to his only daughter, Pushpaben Naik, who is now 94. Gulzarilal Nanda was interim prime minister on two occasions and was an economist as well. He was held in high esteem by people all over the world, recalling his family members.

Pushpaben fondly recalls what her father was like. "He never allowed politics to influence his family life. Yet he always had enough time for his family. I recall how he had engaged a driver for a car that was used by his family. He never allowed his family to use his official vehicle," she said.



Story of Cat & Rats

One day a cat died and arrived at the gates of heaven and met God, who asked him 'Oh cat you had been very good and kind on earth. Now ask me anything you want and I will give you'. The cat thought for a while and said 'I was t a soft fluffy pillow to sleep on'. God granted what was asked and the cat was very happy and sleeping nicely. Then after some time came a group of mice to the gate. God asked them 'You guys you have been very good, you ask whatever you want I will give you'. After thinking a little while the mice asked, God give us a roller-coaster so that we can run away faster than the cats and escape from their mouths. God granted and mice were so happy playing on. After a month God took around to find out how heaven cat was doing. God asked the cat 'how has been your time here?. The cat answered –'it's been amazing always relaxing and those meats you supplied on wheels had been the best of its kind I have ever eaten'. Hearing that God was shocked and said calmly 'My child I never sent you any meals, that means you have eaten the mice which is not allowed here but you did not know anything. So I will not send you out instead you will have to greet and wish every animal that comes near the gate of heaven.

The moral of the story is do not think that everything that comes your way is only for you.

By: Florina Chakma CL V,A

**TATA's GOLDEN SAYINGS:**

1. Don't educate your children to be rich. Educate them to be Happy. So when they grow up they will know the value of things, not the price.
2. Eat your food as your medicines. Otherwise, you have to eat medicines as your food.
3. The One who loves you will never leave you because even if there are 100 reasons to give up he/she will find one reason to hold on.
4. There is a lot of difference between human being and being human. A Few understand it.
5. You are loved when you are born. You will be loved when you die. In between You have to manage...!
6. If you want to Walk Fast, Walk alone..! But if you want to Walk Far, Walk together..!!
7. Six Best Doctors in the World-
1.Sunlight 2.Rest 3.Exercise 4.Diet 5.Self Confidence & 6.Friends
Maintain them in all stages of Life and enjoy a healthy life
8. If you see the moon You see the beauty of God
If you see the Sun You see the power of God
And If you see the Mirror You see the best Creation of GOD...
So Believe in YOURSELF.....
9. We all are tourists & God is our travel agent who already fixed all our Routes Reservations & Destinations.
So Trust him & Enjoy the "Trip" called LIFE...

Program for these coming months

February:

- 08 : PTMParents Teachers Meet -03. (KG – X)
- 22 : Distribution of Admit Card/Faculty Meet
- 26 : Holiday – Maha Shivaratri

March:

- 07 : Farewell –HM
- 10 – 20 : Annual Examinations
- 21 – 25 : Leave for students. Teachers on duty – Paper Corrections
- 26 –28 : Report card preparations
- 29 : Annual Result for KG – IX

April

- 01– 04 : Annual Fee Payment Days
- 05 : Teachers on Book Arrangement
- 07 : Books sale for KG – V
- 08 : Book sale for classes VI – X
- 09 : Sale for any class & re-arrangement
- 10 : Seminar for teachers & Time table
- 11 – 21 : Holiday for all
- 22 : New Academic Year begins 2025 – 2026
- 25 : Election of all leaders
- 26 : Nursery Inauguration



