## **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Education has metamorphosed its definition from rote learning to a wholesome experience that stimulates our psychological dimensions, taking us beyond classroom discourse. The Department of Education of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, is no exception. A plethora of events across July 2019 to November 2020 has taken place in this institution of repute.

A culture-intensive Fresher's Welcome was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2019, in Depelchin Auditorium. The launch of the Vidyadeepam logo elevated the stature of the evening.

The Foundation Course was organized for the 2019-2021 batch from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, headed by Fr. Arockiasamy M. S. Selvaraj who delivered moving lectures on Religion, followed by remarkable student group presentations. A similar Foundation course was held for Semester II from 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

Respected Father Principal, Dominic Savio S.J. has been an influential figure behind the excellence adorning the institutional identity. His birthday was celebrated by the Department on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019 informed by a gala cultural and edifying afternoon.

Sports are an inseparable component in today's educational framework. Events namely Inter-departmental Men's Football (14<sup>th</sup> July to 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019), Inter-departmental Badminton Tournament (29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019), Sports Seminar (8<sup>th</sup> August 2019), Inter-departmental Sport's Quiz of August 2019, Sports Meet (23<sup>rd</sup> February-29<sup>th</sup> February 2020) and Annual Sports Day (1<sup>st</sup> February 2020), prove that.

The relevance of upholding values on equality, justice, peace, empowerment, has been carried forward by the department. Students contributed their share in events like State Women's Commission Seminar (9<sup>th</sup> August 2019), AYCM Seminar (16<sup>th</sup> August, 2019), Adivasi Diwas (22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019), NSS Golden Jubilee Celebrations (24<sup>th</sup> September 2019), Peace Education Seminar (25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019), We the Women at Loreto (30<sup>th</sup> September 2019), National Unity Day (31<sup>st</sup> October 2019), National Education Day (11th November 2019), Two Day National Women's Seminar (10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> January 2020), Inter-Departmental Women's Football Match (5<sup>th</sup> February 2020), Shishu Mela (16<sup>th</sup> February 2020), Bhasa Diwas(21<sup>st</sup> Febrauary, 2020), Workshop on the role of youth on building an

egalitarian society (13<sup>th</sup> March 2020), KYSCC (27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and NCC Independence Day Celebrations (15<sup>th</sup> August 2019).

As an institution upholding vital Jesuit values, students from the Department of Education have come forward to observe important days like Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola (31st July 2019).

Departmental Teacher's Day and Teacher's Day were celebrated with much aplomb on 4th and 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 respectively in the Depelchin Auditorium, an initiative under the earnest guidance of the faculty, translated into joy by students.

A variety of events like Spotlight 2019 (8<sup>th</sup> September 2019), Spell Bee for Xavotsav 202 (23<sup>rd</sup> January) added glory to the departmental legacy.

The International Seminar on Climate Change (27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January) was much needed in the present scenario. The National Seminar for Principals and Administrators (8<sup>th</sup> February, 2020) was an enriching one. Students from the department contributed highly.

In these trying times of a global pandemic, the department made sure to rekindle hope through online events like Webinar on Call for Flexible Learning in post Covid 19 (17<sup>th</sup> May 2020), Webinar on battlefield to boardroom (8<sup>th</sup> July 2020), International Webinar in Covid 19 emerging cyber threats, psycho social dimension and the way forward for students (26<sup>th</sup> June 2020), Transformative Leadership (7<sup>th</sup> May, 2020), A report on 180 Degrees Consulting, International Webinar on Uncertainty and Fear of New Normal (28<sup>th</sup> July, 2020), Teacher's Day Online Celebrations, Education Day.

The Department of Education has been paving the way for integrated learning and holistic rejuvenation of the mind tirelessly.