

Literary Club Annual Report 2016-17

The Literary Club of Basilius College, Kottayam aims at fostering students' love for reading and creative thinking and in promoting various literary activities in the college. The club undertook a variety of events in the academic year 2016-17. Students represented the college at various state and national level competitions for essay writing and secured prizes.

July, 2016

- A national level Essay writing competition was conducted by Sri Ram Chandra Mission and United Nations for India and Bhutan. Entries of Joel Ann of D1 Zoology, Jayasree of D3 Chemistry, and Ms. Raga of D1 Zoology were sent to represent the college. Ms. Jayasree and Ms. Joel received certificates of appreciation.

August, 2016

- Preliminary submissions of various literary items on 10/08/2016. Selected entries (two from each section-poetry, essay and story writing) were sent to a national level competition, 'Reinventing Youngistaan Bengaluru 2016' conducted by YEAH, Bangalore.

October, 2016

- 14/10/2016 - State level essay Competition conducted by Kerala State Co-operative Union- Ms. Jayasree of D3 Chemistry won first prize at Taluk Level. Ms. Raga of D1 Zoology also participated in the event.
- Ms. Jayasree won second prize for state level essay Competition conducted by Kerala State Co-operative Union at district level.

December 2016

- Select club members attended the lecture of renowned Malayalam writer Sri. Subhash Chandran on December 5 2016. Ms. Jayasree and Ms. Anila V.S. actively participated in the interaction with the author.

January 2017

- Literary Club convened the literary events of College Arts Fest. The events started on January 9, 2017. Various events like essay writing, poetry writing and short story writing were held as part of the fest. The first prize winners were selected to for the university youth festival, Noopura.

February 2017

- Ms. Jayasree S. participated in the Akshara Sthree Story Camp and essay competition.
- A meeting of the club members were conducted to plan for a workshop on creative writing. Anila S. of D2 English, Amitha James of D2 English, Mathew of D3 Malayalam took initiative to make the necessary arrangements and preparations for the workshop. They collected names and prepared the list of the students to attend the workshop. Bijith Varghese of D3 English designed a poster for the workshop.
- A workshop on Creative Writing and Public Speaking was held on February 13, 2017 at 2 pm at Mrs. Mamman Mapilai Hall, Baselius College Kottayam in collaboration with Debate Club. Mr. Paul Manalil from Malayala Manorama enlightened the students on how to use their creative skills to become efficient public speakers and creative writers. Prof. Alexander V. George, Principal, Baselius College presided over the function. The attendees benefitted from the session.
- A peer discussion was conducted among prize winners selected for University youth festival on how to improve and enhance their writing skills.

March, 2017

- Ms. Jayasree S. attained A grade in essay writing conducted as part of University youth festival Noopura.
- Ms. Jayasree S. participated and won second prize in the essay competition conducted by AKPCTA

Literary Club members look forward to more enlightening sessions with renowned writers and creative trainers in the forthcoming years. Book reading sessions are also envisioned to be an integral activity of the club.

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