



MASCO GAZETTE



MOUNT ASSISI SCHOOL, BHAGALPUR



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Man, knowingly or unknowingly, is in search of peace. Some try to buy it, some try to snatch it, some try to grab it the way they like. However, peace is something that has to come from within. It cannot be bought, grabbed or snatched. It comes from the simplicity of thought and actions and simplicity of life. Peace can be found even amidst chaos if you agree with Rudyard Kipling:



"If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too."



Knowing the need of the man, God has been benevolent enough to send his only son to the world. He did not take birth in a palace or bungalow or a well furnished home. He was born in a manger where nobody likes to take rest. Yet, the king of peace and the saviour of the world was born in such a place.

It is the birth anniversary of this king that we celebrate every year as Christmas.

Mount Assisi family, Bhagalpur celebrated Christmas in the traditional way with Carol singing and dancing with Santa and relishing yummy Christmas cakes. Children put up a wonderful program to welcome the Lord of Peace and the season. The Christmas felicitation gave the vibes of festivity and joy.

TAKING OFF!



Aashi Sinha

In the gentle embrace of learning, we took our first steps, holding tight to our parents' hands. Now, as we stand at the edge of goodbye, those hands have become the warm hugs of friendship, stitching a quilt of connections filled with the echoes of shared laughter.

In the quiet moments of looking back, time unfolds like a storybook, sometimes racing, sometimes taking its sweet time, revealing the heart-touching moments that shaped our shared tale. The younger us, eager to grow up fast, now marvels at how quickly our story unfolded. In the blink of an eye, we've walked the school hallways, leaving behind the footprints of laughter, friendships, and the fanciful dreams of our youth.

As we stroll down memory lane, from Nursery to the simple times of Five, waves of nostalgia engulf us. Our journey started with innocence, eyes wide with wonder at the world. The school grounds, once a canvas for our laughter, witnessed adventures, and carefree giggles echoed like music.

Decisions in those tender years were charmingly straightforward – the weightiest concern was the choice of which cartoon character adorned our school bag. Soon, navigating the labyrinth of middle school, we entered a new realm of complexity, both - academically and socially. Backpacks grew heavier, subjects more intricate, and friendships more profound. Dreams unfolded, and the thirst for success spurred us onward, driven by ambition.

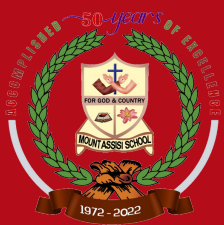
High school hit us like a ton of bricks, didn't it? Suddenly, the stakes were higher, exams were scarier, and juggling through the subjects became an art. Sleepless nights and caffeine were the new combination in the town. From choosing our favorite colour to choosing our stream, the world appeared to flip in a day. Yet there were few hands to help us guide through the maze.

And then we were the seniors – the big shots of the school. Suddenly, we were the ones setting trends, stressing over college applications, and grappling with the impending doom of board exams. The struggle was real, but so were the friendships.

Now, here we are, ready to bid goodbye. It's been a wild ride, filled with laughter, tears, and a ton of caffeine-fuelled study sessions. Who would've thought we'd come this far?

To our incredible teachers who patiently guided us, the supportive staff who made everyday brighter, and our parents who stood by us through it all - thank you!

So here's to us, the Batch of 2024! As we step out of these school gates, let's carry the memories, the lessons, and maybe a few inside jokes. Cheers to surviving the journey from Nursery to Class 12 – it has been an exciting ride!



NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS FOR MOUNT ASSISI, BHAGALPUR

Arya Vatsa - CISCE National Debate Winner

Arya Vatsa of class XII Humanities, Mount Assisi School Bhagalpur, representing Bihar Jharkhand Zone, won the first prize in the CISCE Fr. George Hess Memorial National Literary Competitions - Debate held at XIM University New Campus, Bhubaneshvar on 05th November 2023. Congratulations!

Students from various ICSE schools across the country participated in the event and Arya's performance has made Mount Assisi Bhagalpur proud. She is adjudged as the best speaker of senior category. Rev. Fr. Kurian Thrikkodanmelil TOR, the Principal and Rev. Fr. Jacob TOR, the Vice-Principal congratulated on her success and appreciated the pains taken by Mr. Tesmon Mathew and Mr. Sushant in preparing Arya for such a success and Mr. Vaibhav Jain for accompanying her to the Regional and National venues.

Arya remains grateful to the school and her parents for the support and encouragement she got throughout her journey to this pinnacle.

Shashank Shekhar - The SGFI national volleyball team captain.

Shashank Shekhar of class XC has been selected by the SGFI (School Games Federation of India) while playing volleyball for the Bihar Jharkhand Region at National Championship. Later Shashank is made the captain for the SGFI national volleyball team.

Mount Assisi has more students who could present themselves very well in the Nationals. Aashi Sinha and Aadity Setu - Quiz, Kushagra Choudhary - Debate, Junior are some of them.

Mount Assisi Bhagalpur is proud of you!

SGFI BASKETBALL DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

SGFI Basketball District Championship was held in Sandis Compound, Bhagalpur in association with Art, Culture & Youth Ministry Bihar. Mount Assisi, Bhagalpur won gold in U-14 Boys Categories and backed Silver in U-14 Girls & U-17 Girls.

The SGFI State Basketball Girls Championship was also held in Sandis Compound where our children did extremely well by being part of Bhagalpur team and as a result Ananya Singh and Nistha Shah (U/14 Girls) category Jhanvi Singh (U/17) and Shreya Srawagi (U/19) categories were selected as a part of team Bihar to represent in National SGFI BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP which is going to be held in Madhya Pradesh.





NCC COMMANDING OFFICER'S VISIT



On 21 December 2023, Col Gopal Chandra Lohani, the commanding officer of 4 Bihar NCC Battalion, Bhagalpur, visited Mount Assisi, Ranitalab campus. He was welcomed at the Jubilee Gate by Rev Fr Kurian Thrikkodanmelil TOR, the Principal, Mr Sujit Kumar Singh, Third Officer, and the NCC Troop No 5/4 cadets with a bouquet.

After being welcomed, Col G C Lohani talked to the NCC Troop No 5/4 cadets of Mount Assisi about the benefits of NCC certificates (A, B and C) in the future. He emphasised the discipline and unity that NCC cadets should have. He also detailed them about the duties of NCC cadets. This interactive session got concluded with National Anthem.

Later on, the commanding officer, Col G C Lohani inspected the NCC documents and registers, the cadets' changing room, NCC office in the campus, NCC class room, school infirmary, art room and the Jubilee Block.

The school and the department were appreciated for the excellent maintenance of the Mount Assisi School NCC Troop No 5/4 unit and documents. Before leaving the campus Col G C Lohani signed the visitors' register as well.

CHILDREN'S DAY



Children are the hands by which we take hold of heaven. And 14th November, is the day when we celebrate these dear angels around us. The school seemed to smile and embrace the blissful privilege of having our children. The day began with a short program presented by teachers intended to make our little ones happy and entertained. We remembered and paid our tribute to Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. His vision and ideas will keep enlightening us for generations. The compliments flowed in forms of cheers and smiles from the world's best audience.

Then came the year's most awaited event "Fancy dress competition". The excited participants from classes Nursery to five strutted on the stage leaving the audience dazzled at the beauty of their costume justifying their characters. The best from the entire world seemed to tiptoeing in the campus. It was a delight to watch the show. The effort and creativity blended at its best. The glint in the eyes and smile on the faces of children are loud enough to announce the success of the day.

-Mrs. Farhat Asjad Ali

PICNIC ADVENTURES AND SOCIAL WORK



School picnic provides a great opportunity for students to cherish wonderful experience and face a range of challenges that can contribute significantly to their personal development. A picnic was organized by the school for class V students on 26th Nov 2023. The destination for the picnic was Saraiyahat, a place in Jharkhand. It is located in Dumka district; 81km from Bhagalpur. Students were taken to St. Francis School, Saraiyahat, a place full of serenity and beautiful landscape.

Outdoor games brought an energetic vibe to the event, with students engaging in activities that fostered teamwork and a sense of camaraderie among the classmates. After the picnic lunch, our students gave away woolen blankets to the underprivileged children of Saraiyahat as a selfless act that was associated with compassion, empathy, generosity and a sense of social responsibility. The class V students of Ranitalab Campus were taken to Godda Park on 27th November 2023 to spend a day out with their teachers. The children had their maximum enjoyment in the park as the day was sunny and warm.

The outgoing ISC batch was taken to Babumahal for a day out on 10 December 2023. The beautiful natural beauty of the Sangam, the sandy river beds, water and surrounding hills and greenery provided a pleasant ambience for such an outing.

These days of thrilling adventure and shared experiences will be one of the cherished memories for the students in their lifetime.

-Mrs. Rashmi Jha