ACTIVITIES OF THE ENGLISH LITERARY ASSOCIATION (Shift I)

2019-2020

The activities of the Department of English for this academic year started with a special meeting on 28th June 2019 in Our Lady's Hall. The chief of the day **was Ms. Hemachithra D.S.P., Thiruvannamalai District,** who spoke on the topic **Leadership** and also on her views about Women Empowerment. She gave suggestions for the preparation and cracking of various competitive examinations.



The PG and Research Department of English signed an **MOU** on 3rd July 2019 with **Sanga Academy Authorized Preparatory Centre**. The purpose of this MOU is to provide language training to the students. They would be assessed by Cambridge English Assessment and the qualified students will be certified with Business English Certification (BEC).



Another **MOU** was signed on 17th July 2019 by the Department of English with **Government Higher Secondary School, Valaiyur, Trichy – 2** for two years from 2019 -2021. The students of the Department of English are the facilitators to train the school children for their communication in English as a part of their Teaching Practice.



Followed by it, another **MOU** was signed on 8th August 2019 with **Thirupanjalee Government School**.



The Department of English conducted a programme of 'highlighting an author' once in two months as a best practise for the students. In accordance to it, elaborative on 8th August and on 19th September 2019, students of I P.G. and II P.G. presented about the writers **Girish Karnad and Toni Morrison** through creative and innovative charts, wall hangings, thermocal models and designed creative steps and took pledge on creating awareness on Go Green.



The business meeting of the English Literary Association was conducted on 26th **June 2019** at 2 p.m. in Room no. 79, the III BA classroom. The President, the VicePresident, Secretary and the OfficeBearers of the Literary Association for each class were chosen and the plans for the academic year were laid out.

The Inaugural of the English Literary Association was held on 3rd July 2019 in Sophy's hall at 11:00 a.m. The presidential address was given by the Principal of our College, **Rev.Sr.Dr.Christina Bridget** who also installed the leaders and addressed the students on the topic, "**Turn your dreams into reality**". The Chief guest was **Rev.Fr.U.Godwin Rufus**, Assistant Professor, Department of English, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, who spoke on the topic **Literature: Building the bridge of dreams to vision.**







As a part of the Drama Club, the students enacted the story Robbie written by Isaac Asimov to bring awareness to the audience regarding the development of technology and social problems.



An inter-departmental **Essay Writing** was held on 22nd July 2019 on the topic "**How to build bridges between family, college and society**" was conducted to the students of various departments.

A one day workshop on **Content Writing** was held on **25**th **July 2019** between 10 am to 4 pm at Shanthi's Hall. The Resource Person were **Mr.P.Charles**, Director and Founder of Kaarlo Training and HR Solutions Pvt. Ltd and **Ms.Dipna Jacob**, Freelance Writer, Communications Manager of Navadhvani, Former Editor of Special Supplement and PR-Times of Oman.







Drama club organised a **Soliloquy Competition** on 7th August, 2019at 1.30 P.M. The chief guest was **Ms.Dipna Jacob**, Freelance writer, Communication manager of Navdhanya. The participants prepared their own soliloquy and delivered it. The chief guest gave participants her remarks and had an interactive session with the audience, on the topic "**What is acting and how it should be expressed?**"



A Guest Lecture was conducted on 9th August 2019 in Sophy's Hall at 12:00 noon. **Ms. R. Annie Karunya Bagyam,** Assistant Professor, Department of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, addressed on the topic **University Wits.**



The Book Club conducted a review about the writer Sudha Murthy on 27th August 2019 and about Paulo Coelho on 27th September 2019 by the members of the club. The total number of participants were twenty.





A Guest Lecture was conducted on 25th September 2019 in Sophy's Hall at 12:00 noon. The chief guest of the day was **Dr. Christine Gomez**, Retd. Professor and Reader in English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy-2. Who addressed the students on the topic **JOY IN YOUTH** and about the joy of being communed with God and her experience of how to succeed in life with the help of the Divine.



A Three Day Training on Verbal Ability for Competitive Exams was conducted from 29th

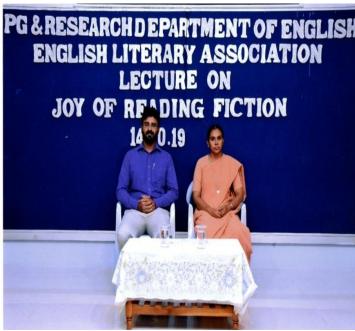
September to 1st October 2019 from 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. by Ms. S. Padmasudha,

Assistant Professor, Department of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy to twenty students of various departments.



A lecture was held on 14thOctober 2019, Monday in Shanthi's Hall at 12.00 noon. The Resource person Dr.S.Melwin, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Bishop Heber college, Tiruchirappalli spoke on the topic **Joy of Reading Fiction**.







Drama club organised an **Intra-departmental Drama Competition** on the topic "**A tribute to Toni Morrison and Girish Karnad**" on 22nd November, 2019 at 11.45 A.M. in Sophy's Hall. The dignitaries were Ms.Maria Kamala Brinda Noel and Ms.Punitha J. Assistant Professors, Department of English (Shift II), Holy Cross College, Trichy. The students of both U.G. and P.G. participated and the first three prizes were won by II U.G., II P.G. and III U.G. respectively. The dignitaries congratulated the prize winners and they gave their valuable suggestion regarding their performances.

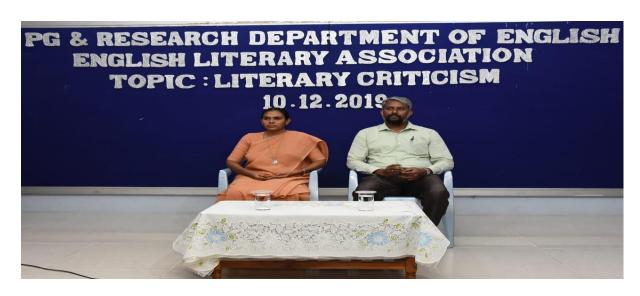




A Guest Lecture on for the students of II PG and M.Phil Research Scholars was organised on 5th December, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Shanthi's Hall. The Resource Person was Dr. Laura Dameris Chellajothi, Associate Professor, Department of English, Bharathidasan University, Trichy who spoke on the topic Literary History.



A Guest Lecture was conducted on 10th December 2019 in Shanthi's Hall at 12:00 noon. **Dr. D. R. Edwin Christy** Assistant Professor, Department of English, St. Joseph's College, Trichy, addressed on the topic **An Introduction to Literary Criticism**. He spoke about the writers from Plato to T. S. Eliot and their views about criticism.





The Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli in association with ELT@I, Trichy Chapter and Kahaniya organised the Two-Day International Conference on PARASPHERES OF THE LITERARY MINDSCAPE: AESTHETICS AND TRENDS on the 20th and 21st January, 2020 in Our Lady's Hall. The Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with Kahaniya. The book titled *Dance of the Dreams*, An Anthology of Poems by HCC English Students was released by Dr. (Sr.) Christina Bridget and the first copy was received by Ms. Nisa Roiyasa, Dr. Prantik Banerjee, Ms. R. Lakshmi Priya, Director, Partnerships KAHANIYA. The Resource Persons were Dr. Prantik Banerjee, Associate Professor in English, Hislop College, Ms. Nisa Roiyasa, Lecturer, UNSOED, Indonesia, Dr. Rahayu Puji Haryanti, Associate Professor, UNNES, Indonesia and Dr. S. Chitra, Lecturer, Department of English, Royal University of Bhutan.



The Department of English in association with Kahaniya conducted a Short story writing competition **DIGI –ECRITURE – 2K20 on 6th of March 2020** to the students of various departments inorder to celebrate International Women's Day.



ACTIVITIES OF THE ENGLISH LITERARY ASSOCIATION (Shift II)

2019-2020

The inauguration of English Literary Association was held on 12th July 2019. The Programme commenced with the prayer service. Welcome address was delivered by Ms. Revathy Assistant Professor Department of English. Followed by Ms. S. Jayashree Agarwal, Assistant Professor and UG Head, department of English, Cauvery College for women, bestowed badges for the newly elected members of English Literary Association. She presided over the function and gave a lecture on the topic "Building Bridges in Literature". She explained the topic with several illustrations. She guided and kindled the spirits of the young minds.



A one day Inter-Departmental competition based on J. K. Rowling's Harry Potter series was held on 30th August 2019. Ms. R. Shalini, President of English literary association welcomed the gathering. Various competitions such as Tableau, Skit, Mono-acting and Quiz were conducted. The students of various departments actively participated and won many prizes. The session was followed by the chief guest address on 26th September 2019. The chief guest was Ms. Joanna D' vas, assistant professor department of English, holy cross college, Trichy, addressed the gathering on the topic under her spell the legacy of J.K. Rowling and her creation. She began her session by narrating her experience in reading and watching harry potter series from her young age to adult. Her talk was highly motivating and captivating. She focused that reading is not complete unless it is done with love and passion. She also kindled the young minds to focus on reading. The session ended up with the vote of thanks.



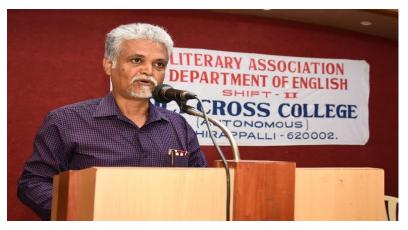






A meeting was held on 27.09.2019. The session commenced with the prayer. Ms. S. Navanitha welcomed the gathering. The resource person of the session was **Retd. Professor MR. S. M.P.Thanga Pandian, UDC College Trichy**. He gave a lecture on the topic **South Asian literature as discourse on culture**. He clearly established the connectivity between the literature and the culture. He elaborated the essential elements of literature. He pointed out the inseparable connection between the pain and pleasure, which adds essence to human life. He also had an interactive session in which the students and teachers actively interacted. He also kindled the young minds to read books with passion. MS. Janet of II B.A. English proposed the vote of thanks and the session came to an end.





A meeting was held on 3rd October 2019 on the topic **pre** – **Chaucerian** to post modern- a literary panorama. The resource person was E. Lakshmi Devi, soft skills trainer and freelance writer. The session commenced with prayer followed by Welcome address. The resource person was honoured by Rev. Dr. Sr. Judy Gomez, Head of the department of English. The session was taken over by the resource person. She divided the topic into 12 sections based on the era and gave clear explanation. Her lecture made the students to gain wider knowledge about the topic including different literary terms such as malapropism, spoonerism, literary devices, important years. Following that there was an interactive session with the chief guest and Feedback was also The session ended with the given. vote of thanks.



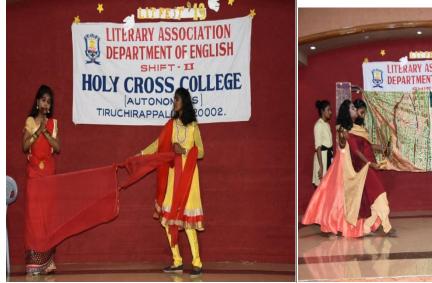


A meeting was held on 16th October 2019.the resource person was **R. James Mark Perter,** journalist. The session commenced by prayer service. Welcome address was delivered by Ms.Jessi of II B.A.English A. the resource person gave lecture on the topic **nuances** and ethics of journalism. He explained deeply about the role of print media and visual media. He explained the topic very clearly by journalists **Tamil** with poets' comparing the avvaiyar Thiruvalluvar and the nature and types of news were also explained. The session was thought provoking and made the students to widen their views on the field of journalism. Students were also raised their doubts and the resource person gave explanation. Vote of thanks was delivered by MS.Akila II B.A.English A. With that the meeting came to an end.



Lit Fest 2019 was held on 9th December 2019. The program started with prayer service. Welcome address was delivered by Ms. Janet of II B.A. English 'B'. Various Competitions such as Mock Skit, Spell Bee, News Bulletin, Tableau and Book Cover Design were conducted to motivated the students of Department of English.







A meeting was held on 11th December 2019. The resource person was **Dr. G. Parvathy, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy.** The resource person was honoured by Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Head of the Department of English.

The Session was taken over by the resource and she delivered lecture on the topic **Literary Criticism- Principles and paradigm**. She gave a clear and brief definition for the word literary Criticism. She had structured her lecture in the way of answering 'WH' question what, Why, Which, When, Where and How. She began with the origin of Criticism and its present status (i.e.) from Pre-Platonic era to Post Modernism. She also spoke about father of Classical and English Criticism. She pinned a point that, Criticism is a disinterested endeavor and Critics are lifelong learners and propagators. She has also introduced a new term 'Rashman effect' to our students which mean different points of view on a single matter. She also explained about Wilbur Scott's five approaches to Literature.



A meeting was held on 9th January 2020. The resource person of the day was **Dr. John Love Joy, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's college, Trichy.** The resource person was honoured by Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Head of the Department of English. Then the session was taken over on the topic "Articulatory Phonetics: Understanding speech in action". He commenced his lecture by questioning students about phoneme. He described in detail about difference between phonemic and non - phonemic languages. He segregated the topic into six structures. He inculcated the knowledge about ELT through various activities; the students were enthusiastic and actively participated in all the activities.







A one-day workshop on Theatre Arts was conducted by The English Literary Association on 28.02.2020. The resource person was **Dr. D. Elango Former head and Associate Professor, Post Graduate Department of English, he American College, Madurai**. The program commenced with the prayer service. Ms. Janet of II B. A. English delivered the welcome address. The resource person was honoured by Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Head of the Department of English.

The session was taken over by the resource person and he delivered a lecture on Theatre arts. He began the session with the acting and directing concepts. He elaborated the acting skills and its techniques. He focused on how the acting skill of an individual is important, that could bring a huge change in any play. He discussed about the various themes used in theatre arts and gave an idea of how to create new concepts based on current affairs. He explained about the importance of dialogue writing and dialogue delivery in theatre arts. He also spoke about the essentials of facial expression that conveys our thoughts to the audience. He structured the idea on theatrical style. He also had a vibrant interaction session with the students. The meeting ended with vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Jessy of II B. A. English.



The Valediction of English literary association was held on 14th March 2020. The resource person of the day was Ms. A. Famitha Banu, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Jamal Mohammed College, Trichy. The programme began with prayer service. The Chief Guest was honoured by Ms. J.Punitha, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Holy Cross College.

The session was taken over by the Chief Guest, who addressed the gathering on "Effective Writing in English". She said that through consistent practice, patience and hard work one can become effective and efficient writer. She insisted the students to search in depth to fetch new vocabulary. Different types of narrative techniques were highlighted. She explained the necessities of 3R's - Read, Record and Recall. Finally she concluded her lecture by explaining the importance of appropriate choice of words. President, Secretary, Representatives and office bearers of English literary association were honoured with certificates by the Chief Guest. Then the winners of Lit – Fest '19 were awarded with trophies and certificates. Ms. J.Punitha, Assistant Professor Department of English awarded the Winners of Harry Potter series with certificates.





