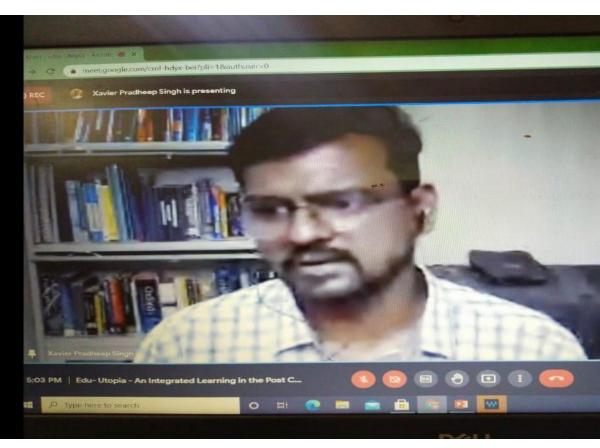
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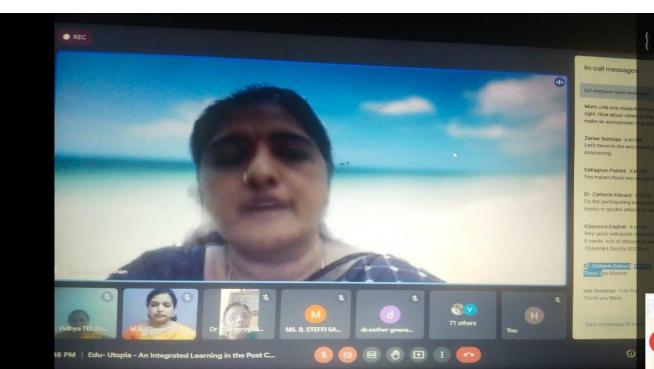
2021-2022

The department activities for the academic year 2021-2022 was started with Six - day Virtual Faculty Development Programme named as Edu - Utopia - An integrated learning system in the Post - Covid Era towards Heutagogy from 18th October 2021 to 23rd October 2021. The thrust area of the Faculty Development Program was Heutagogy which is a student-centred instructional approach that stresses the expansion of a student's autonomy and capability. The goal of Heutagogy and the mission of this endeavour undertaken by the department of English through the conduct of this FDP is the same: to aid lifelong learning where learners are well-prepared to face the challenges and complexities of today's world. The inaugural session was handled by Rev. Fr. Dr. Peter Francis, Professor and Area Chair, XLRI School of Management, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, India, who spoke on Heutagogy as a New Instructional Methodology to Maximise Language Learning. The second day was chaired by Dr. R. Jaya, Associate Professor of English, KCG College of Technology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India who enlightened the participants on the Use of Web Quest in Blended Learning Classroom. She explained and demonstrated how Web Quest can facilitate and propel students towards inquiry based, self-directed learning. The third day was chaired by Dr. M.S. Xavier Pradheep Singh, Assistant Professor, P.G.& Research Department of English, St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India who presented the topic Flipped Classroom Recipe: Blending Essential Ingredients Perfectly. To whip up a perfect Flipped Classroom formula, he proposed the use of the following essential constituents: a flexible environment, a learning culture of active student involvement, intentional content and finally the least visible but the most essential constituent being that of the professional educator. The fourth day was chaired by Dr. Justin James, Faculty of English & E- Learning Coordinator, of Technology and Applied Sciences, Sultanate of Oman : A Workshop on Enhancing Critical Thinking in Foreign Language Classroom Using Visuals. He insisted that Critical thinking requires the cultivation of core intellectual virtues such as intellectual humility, perseverance and integrity and also pointed out that developing Critical thinking is pivotal for Heutagogy as it helps students become autonomous, independent thinkers making them adept at viewing problems from various perspectives thereby promoting higher order thinking. The fifth day was chaired by Dr. M. Mary Jayanthi, Vice Principal & Assistant Professor, PG& Research

Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India who spoke on the topic *From Pedagogy to Andragogy in the English Classroom*. She stressed upon the importance of moving from pedagogy that is akin to leading children to Andragogy, to treating them as matured learners is the way to gradually progress to Heutagogy as the voyage from Pedagogy to Heutagogy could only be taken by passing through the straits of Andragogy. The sixth day was chaired by Prof. Hadi Sobhanifar, Lecturer in English, Nizwa University of Technology, Oman,& Freelance Translator and Interpreter, Oman. He shared his proficiency on the topic Using *Guided Imagery To Improve Reading Comprehension*. Prof. HadiSobhanifar shared five stratagems for using visuals in reading like Reading graffiti, Image Scraping, Storyboarding, Logographic cues and Guided Imagery. The FDP came to an end with a Valedictory ceremony.

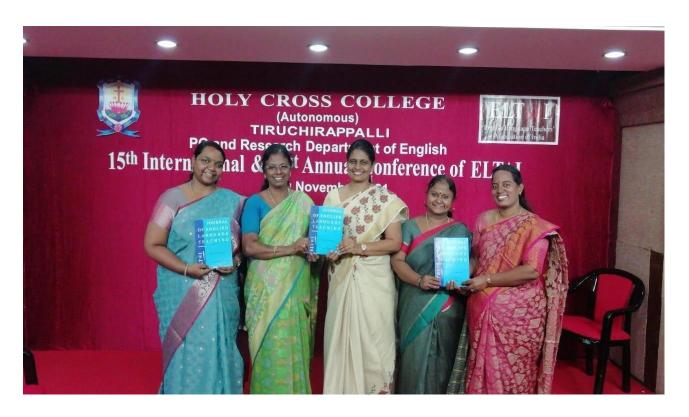






The third day of the 15th International & 51st Annual Conference of ELTAI ,ELT in India: New Needs, New Demands, New Trends, impressively hosted by The P.G. and Research Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy was organised on 27th November 2021. It was a virtual feast comprising of interesting interviews, delightful discussions, intellectually stimulating paper presentations and thought-provoking poster presentations. Ardent participants from different parts of the world like the U.S.A, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Bangladesh, and also from different parts of India like Assam, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh took part enthusiastically in the paper presentation session. With the Remarkable Reports of Actions Research and striking Poster Presentations the virtual curtains closed over a panorama of sights and sounds that were bound to leave lasting impression on thinking minds.





Bridge Course was conducted to the First Year General English students from 29thNovember 2021 to 4th December 2021. It focussed on improving the students LSRW skills through various activities.





A **Reading Awareness programme** was conducted on 2nd**December 2021** to all the First Year General English Students to highlight the importance of reading. Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, the Principal of our college presided over the programme and kindled the minds and souls of the participants to inculcate the habit of reading in the digital era.



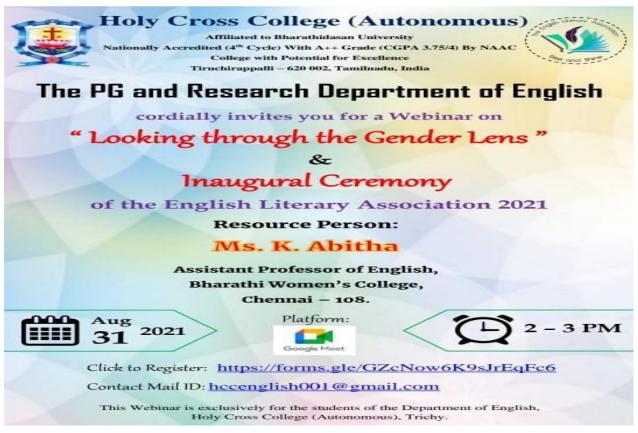
A guest lecture was organized on the topic **The Essence of Feminine Self** on 2nd and 4th **December 2021.** The resource person was **Dr. Leema Peter**, is an inspiring psychologist, **motivational speaker**, student facilitator and a helpful student counsellor. She elaborated on the patterns of every era and also spoke about emotional intelligence, types of parenting, and their effects on children. The session was concluded on setting the positive mindset with various examples by the speaker.



A scholarly discussion took place entitled as A Literary Chit-Chat which was started in the month of November 2021, where the staff will take up turns to read a book every month and share their knowledge and experiences of their reading. Ms. Annie Vimala spoke on the novel White Cotton written by Avini Doshi which tells about the strained mother and daughter relationship through which the audience learnt of having healthy relationship within the family.

The activities of the English Literary Association for this academic year started with the Inauguration of the English Literary Association on 31stAugust 2021. The chief guest was Ms. K. Abitha, Assistant Professor of English, Bharathi women's College, Chennai, who spoke on

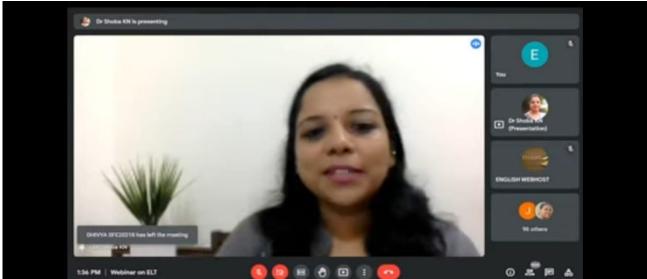
the topic **Looking through the Gender Lens.** The newly elected office bearers were introduced followed by an oath taking ceremony. The resource person highlighted on the role of media in influencing and portraying gender roles and underscored the importance of gender equivalence with real-life and media illustrations.



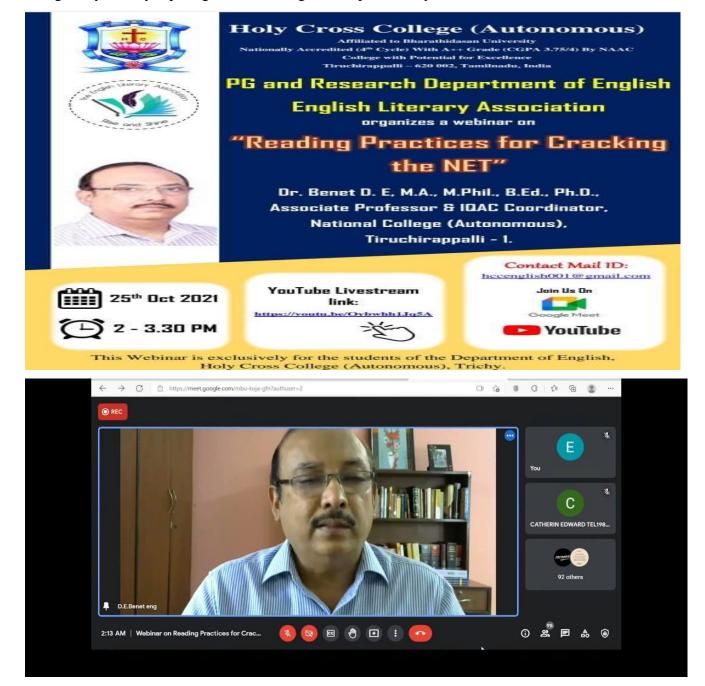


A Webinar on the topic **Phonetics and English Language Teaching** was organised on **27**th **September 2021**. The Resource Person was person Dr. K. N. Shoba, Assistant Professor of English, CEG, Anna University, Chennai. She pointed on the magnitude of Phonetics which forms the rudimentary roots for the learning of English language. She worked upon widening the participants' knowledge on the origin of English consonant sounds along with numerous examples.





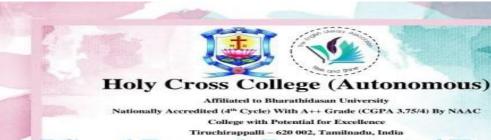
A Webinar titled as **Reading practices for cracking the NET** was organised on **25th October**, **2021**. The resource person was **Dr. Benet D E**, **Associate Professor and IQAC Coordinator**, **National College (Autonomous)**, **Tiruchirappalli.** He initiated the session by manifesting the significance of NET exam in today's competitive world. the session by manifesting the significance of NET exam in today's competitive world and also emphasized on the practice of reading every literary topic right from its origin to its present day.



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As a part of Research Enrichment Programme Series I, a webinar was organised on 13th December 2021 on the topic What is Research? The Resource person was Prof. A. Joseph Dorairaj, Professor of English & Dean, School of English and Foreign Languages, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Deemed to be University; Dindigul, shared his ideas how to write a good thesis. He also insisted on how to choose a research topic and the importance of originality in research.



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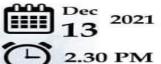
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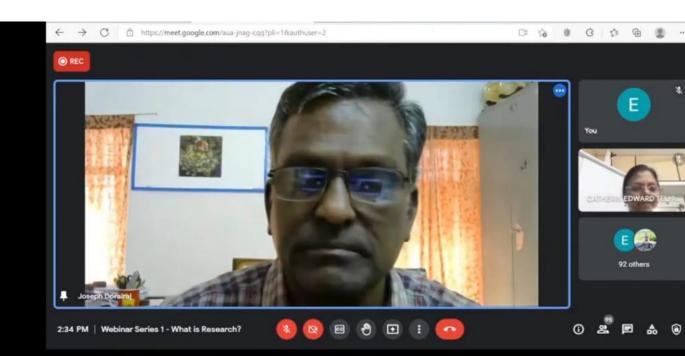






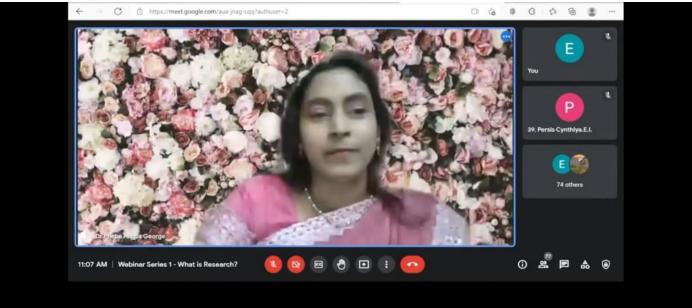
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This Webinar is exclusively for the students of the Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy.



As a part of Research Enrichment Programme series II a session was organised on 21st December 2021 on the topic Creative Conceptualization using Design thinking for Research in Literature. The resource person was Dr. G. Phebe Angus, Assistant Professor, Department of English, madras Christian College, Tambaram Chennai, spoke on how the methodological strategy aims to overcome limitations in research.



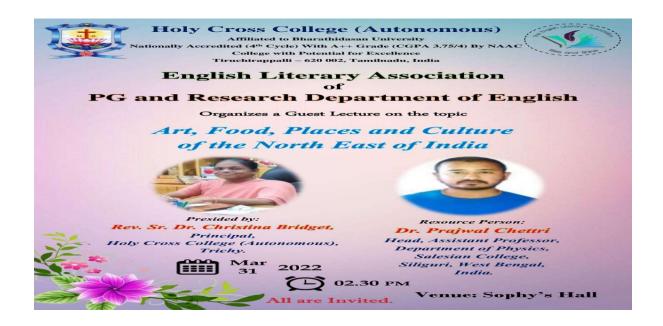


A Career Guidance Programme was organized on 29th March 2022. The Resource person Mr. P. BalaShankar, Founder & Director, Jothi IAS Academy, Srirangam, Trichy, spoke on cracking the competitive exams.



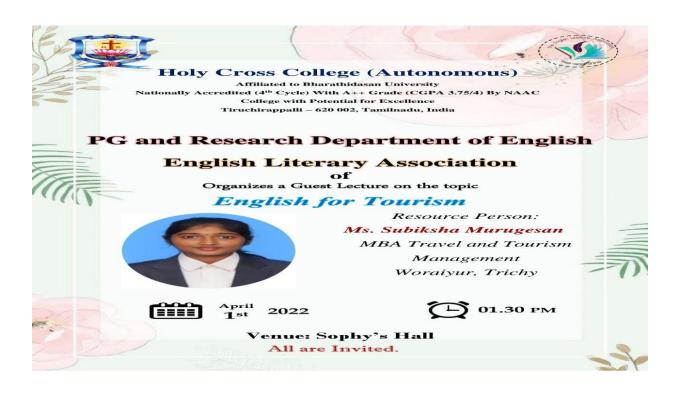


A guest lecture was organised on 30th march 2022 on the topic **Art, Food, Places and Culture of the North East of India**. The resource person was Dr. Prajwal Chettri, Head, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Salesian College, Siliguri, West Bengal, India, spoke on the natural resources, ethnic and religious composition and socio- cultural heritage of North Eastern places.





A guest lecture was organised on 1st April 2022on the topic **English For Tourism**. The resource person was Ms. Subiksha Murugesan, MBA Travel and Tourism Management, Woraiyur, Trichy, spoke on the importance and types of tourism.





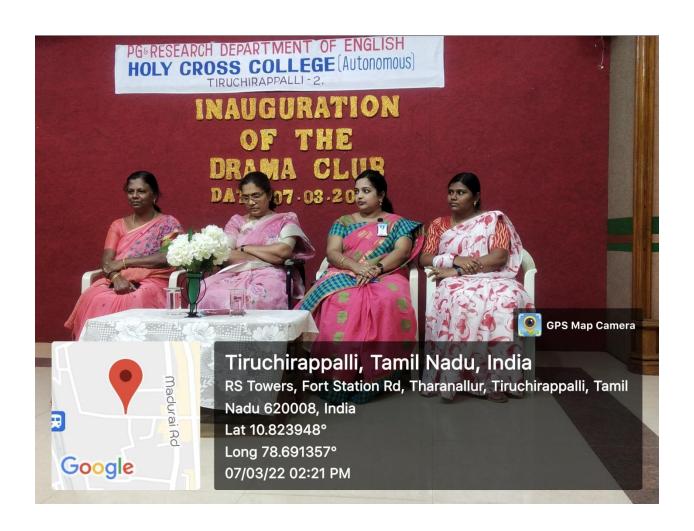
A **Short story writing competition** was conducted to the students of the Department of English titled **MY STORY** in which the participants have contributed various original stories of their lives based on the themes of the country's leaders. The First three prize winners were awarded.

The activities of the English Literary Association came to an end with Valediction on 20th April 2022 and the Resource person was Dr. S. Jayashree Agarwal, UG Head & Assistant Professor, Cauvery College for Women, Trichy, who spoke on Diasporic literature. The Campus newspaper was also released and certificates were given for staff and students publications.

The Book Review Club was inaugurated by Dr. Senthamilselvi, Librarian & Head of Library Science, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy, on 3rd March 2022, at 2 pm in the Department of English. The guest and the Head of the Department of English, Dr. Catherin addressed the gathering and the students reviewed three books on various genres. On March 6th 2022, the next Book review club meet was held and students reviewed various books. A workshop on Book Review was conducted on 24th March 2022 and the resource person was Ms. Rosy Lidia, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Holy Cross College, Trichy, to enhance the critical thinking abilities of the students. The Valediction of the Book Review Club is was held on 29th March 2022.



The Drama Club of the Department of English was inaugurated on 7th March 2022. The Chief Guest of the day was Dr. Nirmala Venkadachalam. The program was presided over by Dr. Catherin Edward, Head, Department of English, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy. The Chief Guest spoke on how students should enhance the skill of acting and presentation on stage. She shared her experience from her college days and described how provocative and arduous the task would be to be on stage. She insisted that students should discourage stage fear to bring out a true actor in them. The inaugural ceremony also witnessed a performance by the first year UG students – *The Pie and The Tart* by Hugh Chesterman. An intra-departmental Drama competition was conducted on 25th March 2022, to bring out the acting skill of the students and train them to be more professional and confident on stage. The activities of the club came to an end with its Valediction.





The Students of III B.A. English went on a tour to Mysore and Coorg on 16th March to 18th March 2022 and visited places like Palace, Zoo, Brindavan Garden and Dubare Elephant camp and II M.A. Students went to Kodaikannal on from 31st March 2022 to 1st April 2022.







