

# SAINT ANDRE SCHOOL

Bodhjungnagar

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Glimpse of Activity

Principal Message

It brings me immense joy to share a few words as the head of the school. As a principal, guiding others on the right path is a rewarding responsibility. I am entrusted with shaping the minds and hearts of our youth through books, curricula, and various activities. The newsletter, \*Glimpse of Activity\*, highlights the diverse activities that take place within the school.

The theme for the academic year 2025-26, "Engage - Explore to Excel," encourages our young learners to actively participate in all curricular activities. A pivotal role of education is to shape a child's personality, transforming their minds and hearts to equip them with the skills and aptitudes needed for the 21st century. Our goal is not only to foster academic excellence but also to prepare students to face the challenges of life.

As Nelson Mandela wisely stated, "Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." Education serves as a foundation for change and innovation. It helps dispel traditional and superstitious beliefs while enhancing our understanding of scientific knowledge. At Saint Andre School, we strive to instill values, life skills, and habits that enable our students to stand out and make a positive impact in society.

We provide ample opportunities for students to develop essential 21st-century skills, such as collaboration, teamwork, critical thinking, emotional intelligence, and time management. Education is a shared commitment involving dedicated teachers, motivated students, and enthusiastic parents who have high expectations. Commitment, motivation, and enthusiasm are vital keys to achieving our goals.

I would like to express my pride and gratitude to the teachers and students who contributed articles to this newsletter. Their expressions have added a captivating touch to \*Glimpse of Activity\*

God bless all

FR ISWAR CSC Principal



## Editorial Note

#### ■ NEW SESSION, NEW CHALLENGES & NEW ACHIEVEMENT



It is a privilege for me to express my gratitude to the team behind the newsletter "A Glimpse of Activity." This letter summarizes the various activities happening at the school. The Play and Learn method enhances students' overall growth and development. The National Education Policy (NEP) emphasizes the importance of fostering creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, and communication skills. The NEP 2020 restructures school education into a 5+3+3+4 system, replacing the previous 10+2 system. This new framework aligns with the cognitive development stages of children, and the holistic development assessment system places the learner at the center.

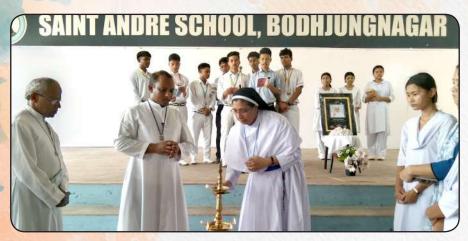
Saint Andre School, Bodhjungnagar, envisions helping young people achieve completeness, as stated by Basile Moreau, the founder of Holy Cross. The academic year 2025-26 commenced on April 23, marking the beginning of a new academic journey. The theme for the year 2025-26 is **"EXPLORE, ENGAGE, AND EXCEL,"** reflecting our holistic approach to growth and achievement.

Education is more than just academics. At our school, we believe in the power of three simple words: **ENGAGE, EXPLORE and EXCEL**. Our goal is to actively engage students in school activities and learning, encourage them to explore new ideas, talents, and opportunities, and strive to excel.

The focus of the Orientation Program is key to understanding and exploring new horizons. There are always possibilities and opportunities available to students. Teaching and learning serve to unfold these options and spaces. Our faculty members work as a team to foster community learning in a friendly and safe environment.

**SIR RUPAM SINGHA** Editor

#### **NEW ACADEMIC YEAR**





The beginning of the academic year is always a joyful experience. With enthusiasm and excitement, Saint School Bodhjungnagar commenced its academic year on April 1, 2025. The annual results were announced, and books were distributed at the school. Both teaching and non-teaching staff assisted students with the distribution of books. Classes resumed on April 22, 2025.

#### FIRST BATCH OF SCIENCE STUDENTS

We are proud to announce our first batch of science students in Class XI, consisting of 24 students. Both teachers and students are actively engaged in the teaching and learning process. Currently, the school has a total of 1,390 students, with 773 boys and 617 girls. There are 57 teaching staff.

#### CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM



A capacity-building program focuses on enhancing teachers' abilities to achieve their goals, manage challenges, and adapt to changing classroom circumstances. Teaching and learning are ongoing processes, offering new experiences for teachers each time they enter the classroom. According







to CBSE guidelines, all teachers must attend 50 hours of capacity-building programs within the academic year. The teacher capacity-building program was held on May 24, 2025. This initiative, organized by CBSE, took place at our school and featured Sri Mantu Deb from Shishu Bihar H/S School Agartala as the resource person. He provided valuable insights on the topic of the Theory of Knowledge. The session concluded with a feedback evaluation.

#### **ENVIRONMENT DAY**

The health of the environment is essential for the well-being of human beings. It is of prime importance and a responsibility for each of us to care for nature. Saint Andre School,







Bodhjungnagar, celebrated World Environment Day on June 5, 2025. Members of the Eco Club organized a clean-liness drive at the Mariamnagar Catholic Church campus. Students participated in cleaning the flood-affected areas surrounding the church. The day also included tree plant-

ing on the school campus.

#### PRIMARY SECTION CELEBRATION

The primary section students put on a stage show to celebrate the birthday of the school principal and to showcase their talents in welcoming new students. The program, conducted by students from Nursery to Class III, was filled with hymns, poems, dances, and music. It concluded with the distribution of sweets.



#### **BIRTH DAY**

Celebrations play a significant role in academic learning at the school, fostering joy and motivation. Academic experiences become even more enjoyable and successful when combined with sports and celebrations. The birthday of Fr.





Iswar CSC, the school principal, was enthusiastically celebrated on July 8, 2025. A vibrant cultural program was organized by the students, and the celebration ended with a fellowship gathering for both teaching and non-teaching staff.

#### **INVESTITURE CEREMONY**



Leadership qualities are essential in today's world. The school provides opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills alongside their academic education. In an educational context, the investiture ceremony signifies the formal recognition of student leaders and marks the beginning of their responsibilities in leading school initiatives. This ceremony symbolizes a commitment to upholding





values such as integrity, discipline, and service. The investiture ceremony took place on April 30, 2025, where class leaders and captains took their oaths of office. The event was witnessed by Dr. Fr. Davis Kunnuran, CSC, the Vice Principal of Holy Cross College, Jubatara. Additionally, the Annual Chronicle was released on the same day.

#### **HEALTH CHECKUP**

It is well said that health is wealth. Caring for good health is essential for us. A general health camp was conducted on 10th July 2025 in the school. The medical team from Bidya Debbarma Memorial Hospital, Lefunga, was present for the health checkup. Class-wise, students were sent to check their health status. All the teaching and non-teaching staff

also participated in the camp.

#### **UNIT TEST**

In education, a unit test is an assessment designed to evaluate students' understanding of the material. It serves as a form of formative evaluation, providing feedback to both students and teachers regarding learning progress and areas that need improvement. Unit tests help identify student strengths and weaknesses, measure teaching effectiveness, and guide future instruction.

The assessments conducted in academic institutions aim to evaluate students' learning outcomes. The first unit test was conducted on July 10, 2025, and all students participated. These exams are essential for assessing and evaluating a student's learning outcomes. Academic tests also serve as a preparation for life.

#### **STUDENTS SEMINAR**

The school is committed to the development and wellbeing of its students. Beyond academic teaching, the school focuses on students' career options. We are grateful to Dr. Bheem Pad Mahato, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Education, and Dr. Sovan Ghosh, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Physics at ICFAI University, for taking the lead in enlightening and motivating the Class XI science students in their academic pursuits.

#### **HOLY EUCHARIST**



Education aims to cultivate the completeness of youth, as stated by Blessed Basile Moreau, the founder of Holy Cross. NEP 2020 emphasizes holistic development, nurturing well-rounded individuals with a focus on intellectual, emotional, social, physical, and artistic potential, alongside essential

21st-century skills. This vision extends beyond academic achievement, integrating various aspects of a student's growth to prepare them for a complex world. In addition to secular academic learning, Saint Andre School also promotes spiritual development.

Every first Friday of the month, the Holy Eucharist is organized for Catholic students studying at the school. This spiritual activity unites and strengthens the bond of fraternity

among Catholic students.

#### **DIGITAL SEMINAR**

The 21st century is undeniably driven by technology, which is fueled by knowledge and the ability to acquire and apply it effectively. This era is marked by rapid technological advancements and a global shift towards knowledge-based economies, necessitating constant adaptation and innovation by individuals and societies.

The demand for individuals with strong foundational knowledge, critical thinking skills, problem-solving abilities, and adaptability is crucial for success in this technology-driven world. Technology has revolutionized education, offering access to vast amounts of information, personalized learning experiences, and new modes of delivery.

Our school has digitalized the classroom with LED panels to enhance the teaching and learning experience. On Saturday, July 5, 2025, a seminar was conducted for teachers by Mrs. Geetu Sinha from Ebix Smart Class, a unit of Ebixcash. The seminar aimed to promote better use of technology in classroom teaching and learning

eadership is an essential quality that enriches any academic journey. Opportunities for responsibility in the school help shape student leaders. Nowadays, there are many student associations led by elected leaders. A true leader should inspire and motivate their followers. Jesus exemplified this quality, as he not only inspired but also rejuvenated a passion for life in those around him.

My experience as the school Student Pupil Leader (SPL) has been a mix of challenges and privileges. It is an honor to serve as the SPL, providing me with valuable experiences in teamwork, unity, honesty, and sincerity. Accepting this responsibility can be daunting and filled with uncertainty. However, the unwavering support and encouragement from my teachers and classmates have given me a solid foundation to stand on. School leadership is not without its challenges. As a leader, I must find a balance between the school's expectations and the demands and requests from my classmates, all while managing my studies. I act as an intermediary between my class and the administration. Despite the weight of this responsibility, I have discovered my strengths and weaknesses, as well as my abilities and skills. Though the role may seem burdensome, my self-confidence and the continued support and encouragement from my teachers make it manageable. This experience enables me to engage, explore, and excel personally.



BOYER DEBBARMA Class- XII | Sec-A SPL

### Some of my experience as an assistant SPL

Some of my experiences as an Assistant School Prefect (SPL) have been among the most memorable and valuable moments of my school life. This role has allowed me to grow not only as a student but also as a leader.

I have assisted with morning assemblies, managed school events, and coordinated efforts between fellow students and teachers. Through these experiences, I learned the importance of teamwork, responsibility, and true discipline.

Additionally, this role strengthened my connections with both juniors and seniors in the school. I felt proud to serve as a bridge between students and teachers.

I am truly grateful to my teachers and principal for trusting me with this responsibility. The lessons I learned



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