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"The bond that links your true family is not one of blood, but of respect and joy in each other's life." – Richard Bach.

Another eventful chapter has been added to the chronicles of St. Xavier's College Girls' Hostel. Venturing into uncharted territories remains an invaluable avenue for knowledge acquisition. In the swift currents of life's journey, unpredictability reigns supreme, ensuring each path is as unique as its traveler.

Within the confines of Xavier Block reside 24 vibrant and driven young women. Steering the hostel ship are Sr. Mariyana Marki, Sr. Nirmala Ann, Sr. Mercia, and Sr. Kaslin, supported by Asst. Prof. Dipti Shradha Tirkey and Ms. Lilly.

At the helm of student affairs stand the Hostel Leaders, acting as liaisons between the student body and the institution's administration. Their presence fosters heightened engagement among residents, while decisions concerning student welfare are collaboratively deliberated with them, facilitating collective problem-solving.

Every academic cycle witnesses the election of student representatives to the leadership cohort, ensuring a dynamic and inclusive decision-making process.

St. Xavier's College Girls' Hostel stands as a sanctuary for rural and financially disadvantaged students, particularly those who are first-generation learners or require additional academic support. Generous fee waivers are extended to deserving individuals, affirming the institution's commitment to fostering academic success for all.

#### **Formation of Committees**

"The success of a leader is measured by the accomplishments of those they lead. This serves as the definitive evaluation of their effectiveness"

Establishing committees is pivotal for success in any undertaking. It entails choosing adept individuals to supervise the task, ensuring its efficient execution. Committees should comprise members with relevant experience, skills, and expertise. Once assembled,

collaboration among committee members is paramount. This facilitates idea exchange and ensures all perspectives are accounted for in decision-making. By forming committees with capable and dedicated members committed to collective effort, organizations can effectively tackle intricate tasks and propel towards their objectives.

Various committees have been established to engage students in hostel administration, each with distinct responsibilities. From Liturgy to Cleanliness, these committees offer ample opportunities for students to harness their potential and become agents of positive change in society. I am optimistic about the future of our nation, as our student-leaders, through their collaborative efforts, are paving the way for self-reliance and embracing vibrant possibilities. Kudos to all the student leaders for their commendable teamwork!

#### LITURGY COMMITTEE

"Prayer is not a device that should only be called upon in moments of distress, but instead it acts as a guide to lead us towards the correct path throughout our lives."

At the onset of the academic year, we commenced with a profound Eucharistic celebration on June 15th, 2018, seeking divine blessings for our journey ahead and the consecration of our hostel buildings. Every morning, our day commenced in the divine presence with soulstirring devotional songs and a brief prayer, setting the tone for our daily endeavors.

During our nightly assembly, we honor the birthdays of our residents, showering them with warm wishes and blessings. Additionally, we uphold the tradition of reciting the Rosary daily in reverence to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Special prayer services mark significant occasions such as Deepavali, Christmas, Pongal, and the birthdays of our esteemed sisters. Furthermore, our students take the lead in hosting meaningful Adoration services on the first Fridays of each month.

October, dedicated to Our Lady of Rosary, was celebrated fervently with a special rosary procession on the 31st, illuminated by flickering candles and joined by the hostel's inhabitants. The jubilant atmosphere on feast days and birthdays was further enlivened by the spirited performances of our choir members.

In fostering a rich spiritual environment, we cherish these moments of communal prayer and celebration, nurturing a sense of unity and reverence among our hostel community.

#### **CULTURAL COMMITTEE**

#### "Art is the manifestation of emotion into action."

The Cultural Committee at our hostel diligently orchestrates a myriad of cultural events, providing a platform for hostel students to showcase and hone their latent talents spanning public speaking, creative writing, singing, and dancing. Welcoming the freshers with open arms, seniors orchestrated a vibrant cultural program fostering unity among all. Our esteemed Principal, Dr. Fr. M.K Jose SJ, graced the occasion with an inspiring address, imparting invaluable advice on academic and emotional performance, equipping the newcomers to confront the myriad opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

During the festive season of Christmas, a plethora of competitions were curated, aimed at nurturing and exhibiting the diverse talents of our students. Reverend Fr. John Tirkey SJ delivered a poignant message underscoring the significance of the Christmas festivities. Our girls, brimming with enthusiasm, presented a lively cultural performance resonating with themes of peace, love, and joy. Prizes and gifts adorned the deserving victors of the competitions, further illuminating the celebratory spirit.

On the delightful occasion of May 12th, hostelers embarked on a rejuvenating picnic to Sugga Bandh. Immersed in the serene surroundings, they reveled in a day of leisure, indulging in various river games. This memorable escapade served as a refreshing interlude following a demanding academic period, fostering camaraderie and cherished memories among all participants.

#### **SPORTS COMMITTEE**

"Identifying talented players is straightforward, but getting them to work together as a cohesive unit is an entirely different challenge."

The sports committee, with their dynamic approach, takes the initiative to organize and coordinate a series of exhilarating throwball and football competitions. Their proactive involvement spans every stage, from the meticulous selection process to the electrifying final matches.

Through these competitions, students are provided with a platform to exhibit their athletic prowess and passion for sports. The committee's unwavering dedication ensures that each participant has the opportunity to unleash their competitive spirit and showcase their skills on the field.

Innovative rewards serve as incentives, motivating participants to push their boundaries and

strive for excellence. Beyond the thrill of competition, the sports committee recognizes the importance of fostering relaxation and rejuvenation. They orchestrate events that not only ignite excitement but also provide moments of leisure and camaraderie, contributing to the overall well-being of the hostel community.

In essence, the sports committee's proactive efforts create an environment where students can thrive both athletically and personally, fostering a culture of sportsmanship, teamwork, and holistic development.

#### **DECORATION COMMITTEE**

"Utilizing one's creative capacity can lead to remarkable accomplishments, as the history of humanity has repeatedly demonstrated."

The Decoration Committee plays a pivotal role in enhancing the ambiance of every hostel event with their captivating décor. Their creative prowess shines through as they craft intricate greeting cards for the birthdays of the Warden Sisters, showcasing their talent and dedication. Their artistic flair is further evident in the vibrant decorations adorning the Hostel Notice Board during various festivities, serving as tangible evidence of their skills and abilities. Additionally, the committee takes proactive steps in uplifting the hostel atmosphere by displaying motivational captions on the notice board, inspiring and encouraging fellow residents. Their efforts not only add a touch of sparkle to the hostel environment but also contribute to fostering a sense of community and positivity among the residents.

#### DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

#### "Discipline is fundamental to living a meaningful life."

The committee undertakes the responsibility of maintaining tranquility during the sacred evening prayers through consistent monitoring rounds. Their vigilance ensures that the solemnity of the prayers is preserved, allowing residents to engage in spiritual reflection undisturbed.

Moreover, during cultural activities, the committee diligently maintains orderliness, contributing to the creation of a harmonious atmosphere conducive to enjoyment and participation. By managing crowd control and ensuring adherence to event protocols, they facilitate smooth and seamless cultural experiences for all attendees.

The administration places its trust in the committee's adeptness in employing peer-discipline

methods, recognizing their capacity to uphold decorum and foster camaraderie within the hostel community. With confidence in their capabilities, the administration relies on the committee to enforce rules and regulations with fairness and efficiency, thereby maintaining a respectful and cohesive living environment for all residents.

#### **MESS COMMITTEE**

The Mess Committee oversees menu preparation and offers regular feedback on food choices. They promptly relay any complaints or preferences of the majority to the administration. Moreover, they willingly assist with serving during special occasions, ensuring smooth operations and catering to the hostel community's culinary needs.

#### **CLEANLINESS COMMITTEE**

The Cleanliness Committee assumes a crucial role in preserving the pristine condition of the hostel campus, placing particular emphasis on maintaining cleanliness within the living quarters. With unwavering dedication, they execute their duties meticulously, ensuring that common areas and individual rooms remain tidy and welcoming.

Their commitment extends beyond mere surface cleanliness; the committee members actively monitor the hygiene standards of the hostel facilities, promptly identifying and addressing any cleaning or maintenance issues that may arise. Whether it's a spill in the common room or a malfunctioning plumbing fixture, they swiftly communicate these concerns to the Hostel Administration, facilitating prompt resolution and preventing potential health hazards.

By proactively addressing cleanliness matters, the committee contributes significantly to creating a hygienic and pleasant environment for all residents. Their efforts not only enhance the overall quality of life within the hostel but also cultivate a sense of pride and responsibility among residents, fostering a community-wide commitment to cleanliness and well-being.

#### **CHARITY CLUB**

The "Charity Club" within the hostel is committed to extending assistance and aid to the less fortunate. We are dedicated to fostering positive change through active involvement in fundraising and volunteer activities. Our primary objective is to create a meaningful impact through selfless acts of kindness and generosity, aiming to uplift and support those in need within our community and beyond.

#### **BATCH REPRESENTATIVES**

Batch representatives are integral figures within the hostel community, serving as liaisons between residents and administration. Their responsibilities extend beyond mere administrative tasks; they play a pivotal role in fostering a cohesive and disciplined environment. Beyond facilitating resident verification and aiding the Discipline Committee, they serve as mentors and role models, guiding their peers towards upholding standards of conduct.

The hostel's warm, familial ambiance is cherished by students, providing a comforting sanctuary amidst their academic pursuits. Within this nurturing environment, students cultivate deep bonds of camaraderie, fostering mutual understanding and unwavering moral support. This sense of unity strengthens the hostel's communal spirit, enhancing the overall living experience.

Recognizing the diverse needs of its residents, the warden adopts a personalized approach to care, addressing not only physical but also psychological and spiritual well-being. Through individualized counseling and guidance, the warden ensures that each student receives the support necessary to navigate the challenges of hostel life.

Regular gatherings serve as occasions for students to come together, reinforcing their sense of community while also serving as reminders of their collective responsibilities. These gatherings foster a cordial atmosphere, nurturing meaningful connections and encouraging students to actively contribute to the hostel's harmonious living environment.

- We are grateful to Fr. Dr. M. K. Jose S.J. the Principal of St. Xavier's college who addressed the new hostel students and encouraged them with his message saying, "it is a home away from your home. Along with your education, character formation also will take place through different activities in the hostel such as academic, social, spiritual, cultural, sporting, etc. So make the best use of your days here to become a person different from the crowd".
- St. Xavier's Girls' Hostel creates a relaxed ambience for the rural and economically poor students to excel in their academic career. Students, who are intellectually better off have super opportunity to support the weaker students.
- During the academic year special need based talks were arranged to help the students to live a fuller life. Fr. Rajender Tete S.J. gave a special talk to all the students on goal oriented character formation. The talk inspired the students to have a strong determined goal and to grow in positive outlook in life.

- We are grateful to Fr. Roshan Kerketta for addressing our students and giving them a
  message on the importance of spiritual formation.
- April 7<sup>th</sup> Health day was celebrated in the college. As part of this celebration Free Blood test camp was organized in Regai village. With the assistance of Sr. Mercia and Sr Jilsi from Carmel Hospital, 109 people had blood and Hb count and awareness regarding blood.

I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Almighty, whose divine presence is a constant source of guidance and strength in our endeavors. With His blessings, we are empowered to fulfill our responsibilities with unwavering commitment, dedicated to nurturing and harnessing the potential of our students towards greater success in their lives.

The Xaverian journey has been enriching, instilling in us invaluable lessons that serve as pillars of support for the promising youth. These lessons, rooted in the values of integrity, resilience, and service, equip them with the tools needed to navigate life's challenges and emerge as leaders of tomorrow.

Through the holistic education and nurturing environment provided by St. Xavier's, students are not only academically enriched but also imbued with the qualities of empathy, compassion, and determination. Armed with these attributes, they are poised to contribute positively to the growth and development of our nation, fostering a brighter future for India.

Thank you all. Wishing you blessings

