

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH, NIRMALAGIRI COLLEGE

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES 2021-22

Extesion Programme: Speakizy School at St. Joseph's UP School, Malayinchippara

Brief Report: Speakizy School was a new venture initiated by the Dept of English, Nirmalagiri College with the objective of empowering children in remote of areas of Kerala. The programme was designed to help children learn English and to build confidence in using the English language. The inaugural session was conducted online on 4 July 2021 through Google Meet and the inaugural address was given by Dr. Ousephachan K.V, Principal, Nirmalagiri College.

St. Joseph's UP School, Malayinchippara

SPEAKIZY SCHOOL

An Initiative of Nirmalagiri College

Inauguration
July on
4th Sunday
8.30 pm

Google Meet

Participants:

- Sr. Lince Mary** Headmistress
- Rev. Fr. Joseph Cherukarakunnel**
- Dr. K.V. Ousephachan** Principal
- Sr. Sonia Philomina V.A.** HOD English
- Sri. Mohan P.** Mentor Out Reach Programme
- Ms. Megha R. Manikoth** Student Coordinator
- Ms. Rithna Shams** Student Coordinator

Programme

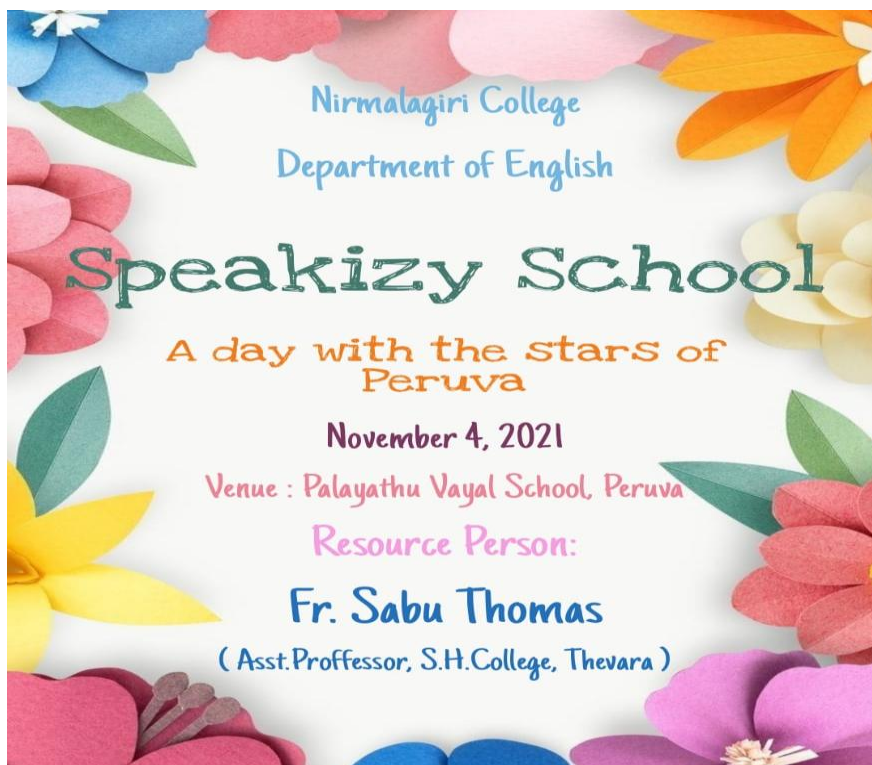
welcome	: Rev Sr. Lince Mary Headmistress
Presidential Address	: Rev. Fr. Joseph Cherukarakunnel
Inaugural Address	: Dr. K.V. Ousephachan Principal Nirmalagiri College
Felicitation	: Sr. Sonia Philomina V.A. Head, Department of English Sri Mohan P. Mentor, Out Reach Programme Ms Megha R. Manikoth Student Coordinator
Vote of Thanks	

July 2021
March 2022

Twenty online sessions were held from July 2021 to March 2022 for 43 students of St. Joseph's UP School. The sessions were led by ten students of the Dept. of English under the guidance of Sr. Sonia Philomena V.A and Mr. P Mohanan.



Speakizy School at Palathuvayal UP School, Peruva



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The programme was launched with a one day English interactive programme at Palathuvayal UP School, Peruva on 4 November 2021. Since the programme was conducted during the pandemic, classes were conducted online every weekend for the students of Palathuvayal UP School.

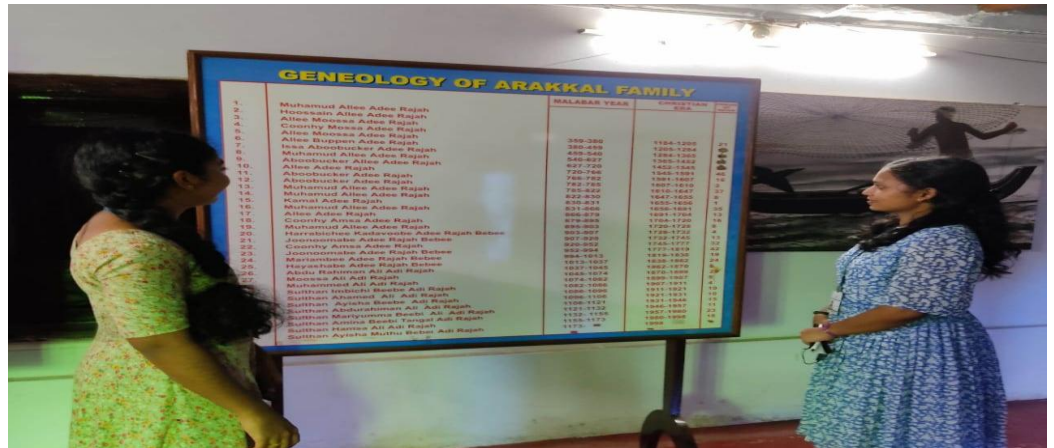
Academic Field Visit by I DC Students on 12 March 2022

First year degree students of the Department of English, Nirmalagiri College were taken on a field trip to visit Arakkal Museum, Kannur. The main objective of the visit was to familiarise the students with regional history and to provide an insight into the genealogy of Arakkal family which would in turn help them to appreciate the lesson “A Hindu Princess and Her Islamic Dynasty” included in their third semester Common English course.



Arakkal Museum is the former residence of the only Muslim Royal Family in Kerala, the Arakkal Ali Rajas. The museum is actually a section of the *Arakkalkettu* (Arakkal Royal Palace). The durbar hall section of the palace has been converted into a museum by the Government of Kerala because of its keen interest in preserving the heritage of the Royal Family which had played a prominent role in the history of Malabar.

A team of 44 students and 2 teachers visited the



museum on 12th March 2022. The students gathered at Nirmalagiri College and left together in a bus by 9.30 am. We reached Arakkal museum by 10.30 am. The students were fascinated by the display items of antique value. They got a glimpse into the history of Arakkal family through several portraits and boards highlighting its history and gained further knowledge by clarifying doubts with the museum authorities.



Erudite Lecture on 'The Politics of Curatorship'

Department of English hosted an Erudite Lecture on 'The Politics of Curatorship' sponsored by the Kerala State Higher Education Council on 14th March 2022.

Dr. Monia Acciari from De Montfort University, Leicester, UK was the resource person.

THE POLITICS OF CURATORSHIP

AN ERUDITE LECTURE SPONSORED BY KSHEC

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The Kerala State Higher Education Council



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DE MONTFORT UNIVERSITY,
LEICESTER, UK

ORGANISED BY : DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
NIRMALAGIRI COLLEGE

TIME & DATE : **3.30PM MONDAY 14
MARCH 2022**

PLATFORM : **ZOOM**



PROGRAMME

WELCOME SPEECH : **Dr. Finitha Jose**
(Asst Professor, Dept of English)

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS : **Dr. K V Ousephachan**
(Principal, Nirmalagiri College)

INAUGURAL ADDRESS : **Dr. Priya K Nair**
(Research Officer, KSHEC)

INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER : **Sr. Sonia Philomena V A**
(Head, Dept. of English)

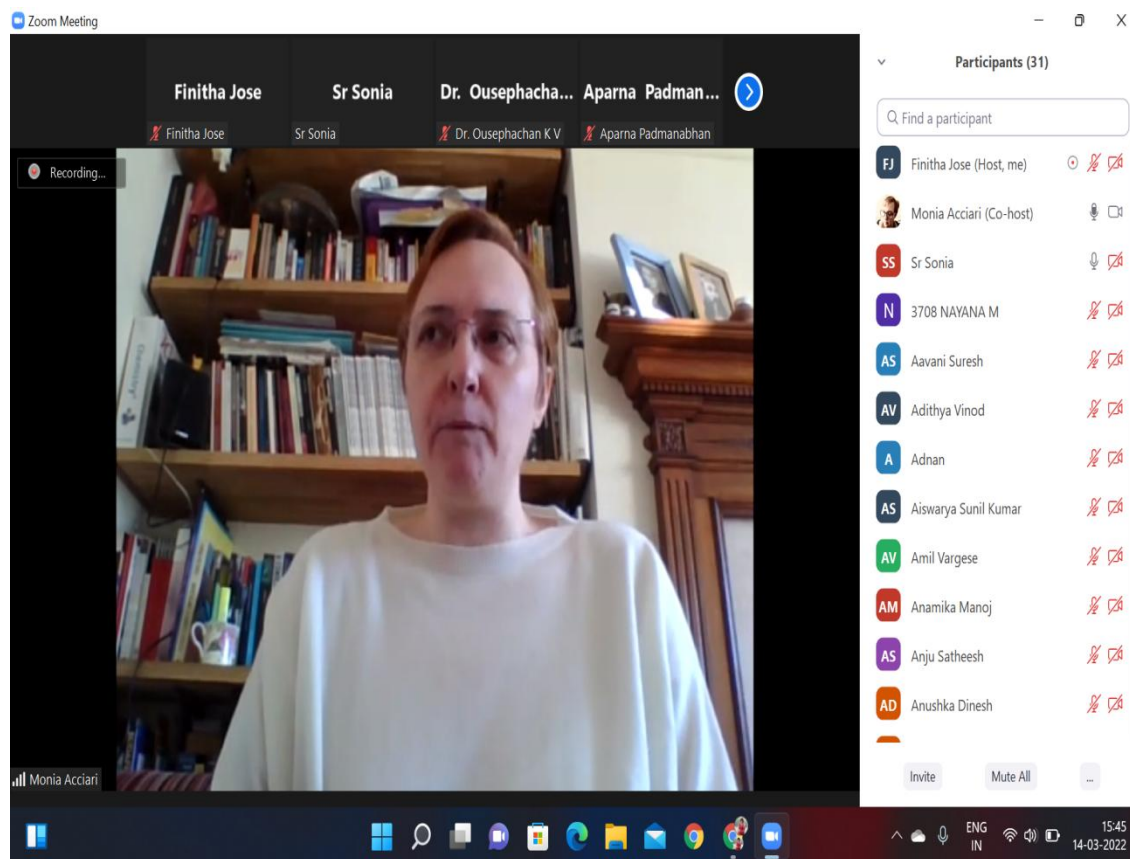
ERUDITE LECTURE : **Dr. Monia Acciari**

VOTE OF THANKS : **Mr. John Joseph**
(Secretary, English Association)

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NIRMALAGIRI COLLEGE, KUTHUPARAMBA



Association Day: 18 March 2022

Association Day was celebrated on March 18, 2022, with Mr. Baby Thomas, Former Head, Department of English, SES College as the chief guest.



ASSOCIATION DAY

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH





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MARCH 18
2022 2 pm



Chief Guest
**Mr. BABY
THOMAS**

Former Head, Department of English,
SES College, Sreekandapuram



Field Visit by II DC Students on 19 March 2022

A field trip to visit V. K. Joseph, Vice Chairman of Kerala State Chalachitra Academy was organised by Department of English, Nirmalagiri College to provide students with an opportunity to converse with eminent personalities working in the film field. The visit was aimed to inculcate in them fresh insights into the ideology and influence of films.

V. K. Joseph is an internationally acclaimed film critic who was honoured with an award for best critic at the Indian National Film Awards in 2009. As the Vice Chairman of Kerala State Chalachitra Academy, he is known as the driving force behind its numerous ventures taking the Malayalam film industry to new heights. He resides in Vallithode, a picturesque village in Kannur on the banks of Vallithode river which made this trip all the more pleasurable.



The visit was planned for 19th March 2022 and the group consisted of two teachers and 43 students from II DC English. Starting from Nirmalagiri at 10.00 in the morning, it took us around one hour to reach Vallithode where we were greeted by V. K. Joseph and his wife, Anne. The students were mesmerised by the elegant home built in the traditional *nalukettu* style with walls decorated by the numerous awards he received. The place evoked the feeling of a gurukula and accordingly, the students occupied various places around him, eagerly listening to his experiences in the film industry, and also to his perspectives on movies both old and new. The queries of students moved the discussion further to film history and cinematography and made it more lively and interactive.

