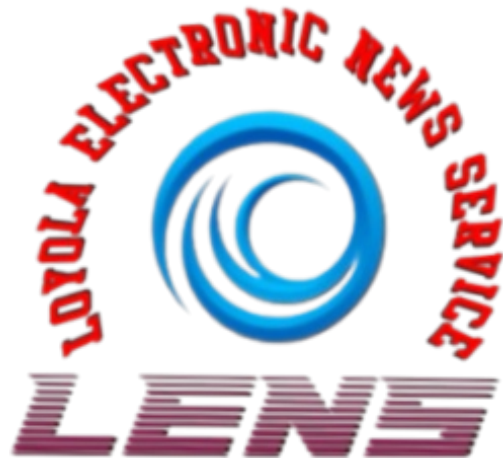




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*From the Principal's Desk*

## *Celebrating Traditions and Triumphs*

The month of August was truly special for Loyola School— a vibrant tapestry of celebrations, achievements, and cherished moments that brought our entire Loyola family together. It was a month when joy and pride walked hand in hand, filling our campus with energy, colour, and inspiration.

We began the month with the spirited celebration of our 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, which filled every heart with a deep sense of patriotism. The solemn flag-hoisting, the melodious patriotic songs, and the heartfelt speeches of our students reminded us of the sacrifices that won us freedom and our duty to contribute to the nation's progress. The enthusiasm and participation of our students made the celebration meaningful and memorable.

Soon afterwards, the festive spirit of Onam swept through our campus, and Loyola came alive in hues of tradition and joy. Dr Achuthsankar S. Nair, the chief guest of the day, gave a fitting message which doubled the joy. From the intricate *pookalam* prepared by the PTA members to the soulful songs, from vibrant cultural performances to the *payasam* and tug of war, the events reflected the rich heritage of Kerala. Students, teachers, and parents joined hands to make the day truly grand, with class-wise festivities adding charm and flavour. A special word of appreciation goes to Mr Sooraj Sir, the Malayalam Department, and all the teachers whose meticulous planning ensured that the celebrations were both delightful and meaningful.



The month also gifted us moments of immense pride when the Asianet Star Singer Home Tour visited Loyola. Our own Deepu Sir, the school's talented music master, has made it to the Top 10 contestants of this prestigious show, filling us all with joy and inspiration. The day was even more special because the programme's director, Mr. Zergo Vijayaraj is one of the proud Loyola parents. As the Home Tour team set foot on the campus, the excitement among students was palpable, and the interaction with the singing sensations made it a day to treasure.

August also marked a significant milestone with the successful conduct of L-MUN 2025, which provided a unique platform for our students to step into the shoes of global leaders and engage in meaningful debates on pressing world issues. The commitment, preparation, and enthusiasm of the participants were commendable. We are deeply grateful to Ms. Roshni Joseph and her team for organizing this enriching experience, and we were delighted to welcome back our illustrious alumni Soheth A. Robin and Abhiram J. who served as judges and shared their expertise. It was heartening to witness Loyolites display confidence, diplomacy, and critical thinking in addressing challenges that shape our world.

Among the highlights of the month was the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sports Day, which brought the entire Loyola community together in a spectacular celebration of sporting spirit. The campus buzzed with energy as students competed passionately in all events, showcasing their determination, discipline, and teamwork. We were honoured by the gracious presence of

Ms. Merin Joseph IPS as our chief guest, whose inspiring words encouraged our students to dream big and strive for excellence. The dazzling march past, the vibrant aerobics, and the house-wise competitions added colour and excitement to the day. Our heartfelt appreciation goes to Rajesh Sir, Umesh Sir, Raji Madam and Anu Sir, whose dedicated and tireless efforts ensured the seamless success of this grand event.

Adding sweetness to the month was the delightful Fruits Day celebrated by our tiny tots in the Kindergarten section. It was a day filled with fun, colour, and learning, as the little Loyolites explored the world of fresh fruits through creative presentations, engaging activities, and joyful participation. The celebration not only brought smiles but also instilled in the children the importance of healthy eating habits in the most enjoyable way.

As we look back, August stands out as a month when Loyola shone brighter than ever, weaving together the threads of tradition, achievement, and togetherness. Every event, every celebration, and every success was a reminder of the vibrant spirit that defines our school. With hearts full of gratitude and pride, we carry forward the joy and inspiration of this remarkable month, ready to embrace the opportunities and memories that await us in the days ahead.

**Fr Dr Salvin Augustine, SJ**



# LOYOLITES

*in the*

# LIMELIGHT



**Ebba Adila S., XI C**

Gold Medal in Water Polo at the 51<sup>st</sup> Junior  
National Aquatic Championship of the  
Swimming Federation of India



**Aarush S. S., III D**

Trivandrum District Champion in Chess U-8 Category



**Jovan Renato Jeskleen, VI C**

Bronze Medal in the 2000 m Road Race  
(U-14 category) at the CISCE Regional  
Roller Skating Championship 2025  
at St Mary's English Medium School  
Kozhikode





**Aadi Dev Unnithan K., IV A1**  
1<sup>st</sup> in Team Kata in 4<sup>th</sup> JKNSKI  
Kerala Kids Karate League 2025



**Amrithavarashan Prasanth Pillai, VII A**  
Selected for the CISCE National Chess  
team on the basis of his performance at  
CISCE U-14 Regional Chess Championship



**Shreyas Lathish, VIII A1**  
1<sup>st</sup> in Kata at Ananthapuri Karate  
Championship 2025



**Niranjan J. Nair, II C**  
2<sup>nd</sup> in Boys Singles U-9 Badminton of  
Trivandrum District Badminton Shuttle  
Association



**Adish S., IV A**  
1<sup>st</sup> in Team Kata and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Kumite in 4<sup>th</sup>  
JKNSKI Kerala Kids Karate League 2025



**Deva Dev Unnithan K., IV A1**  
3<sup>rd</sup> in Team Kata in 4<sup>th</sup> JKNSKI  
Kerala Kids Karate League 2025



**Loyola Boys in CISCE Zone A Basketball Teams,**  
**the Regional Champions Under 14 and Under 17**  
categories and the semi-finalist in Under 19 category



**Dia V. Mathew, XI D1**  
1<sup>st</sup> in Bharatanatyam and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Kuchipudi  
in Category 4 at SZSC LUMINA





**3<sup>rd</sup> in *Freedom Melodies*,  
the Interschool Patriotic Song  
Competition at St John's Model HSS**

Back row: 1. Aaron P. Sajan, 2. Dhanvanth Rejith  
3. Sree Avittam Thirunal Adithya Varma (Chief Guest)  
4. Pranav P. Nair, 5. Abhay Sekhar J. C., 6. Ms Priya Balan (Trainer)  
Front Row: 1. Nidhi Jackson, 2. Dyuthi L. Zyju, 3. Nanda M. S., 4. Shreyan M. Nair



**Arush S. Raghes, III A1  
Silver Medal in  
5<sup>th</sup> State Open Taekwondo Championship  
at Rajiv Gandhi Indoor Stadium, Ernakulam**



**3<sup>rd</sup> in *Interschool Robotics Competition*  
at Nirmala Bhavan HSS, Kowdiar**

Aadithya Krishna P. G. (IX C), Aaved B. Nambiar (IX A), Rihan Shajeer (IX B),  
Aadithya Sinoy Kesav (VIII A), Keshav Balachandran (IX B)



# OVERALL CHAMPIONS AT LA GESTION

Hosted by Alan Feldman Public School, Kazhakootam



## First in Chorus

**Front Row:** Anton Biju Thekkutheri (XI A1), Rohan Jaideep (XI A1), Ananya Krishna (XI D1), Ritika Suzzane Mathew (XI A1)  
**Back Row:** Sreenanda S. (XI D1), Agatha Raichel Easo (XI D1), Ananya A. S. (XI D1), Anmol Krishna (XI B), Akarsh A. (XI C1), Shree Gaayatri Hari (XI D1)



**Fiona Ann Benny, 11 D**  
 Ms LA GESTION



**Aibel Varghese, 1 D**  
 Best Walk



**Saha Zainab P. M., Jaison Ajo Joseph & Makaranth Mangalath, XI E1**  
 First in Treasure Hunt



**Hanan J. Laurel, XI E1 & Anoushka Lakshmi Ravi, XI D1**  
 Second in Captura



**Devapriya B. & Julie Ann Thomas, XI D**  
 Second in Carnage Mystery



**Anna George & Krishna Sarma S., XI D**  
 Second in Word War





# IN MEMORIAM

Gautham Santhosh, Aby V. and Pradeep Vijay



Gautham Santhosh



Aby V.



Pradeep Vijay

We are deeply saddened to inform you of the demise of three Loyolites: Gautham Santhosh of the Batch of 2015, who left us on 27 July 2025; Aby V. of the Batch of 1992 who left us on 8 August 2025; and Pradeep Vijay of Class X of 1996 who left us on 20 August 2025. Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families. May their souls rest in peace.





# *BOSS:*

## *Still Classy After All These Years*



It's not every day that you get to revisit the scene of your youthful crimes, your old school, but that's what happened when the proud and slightly creaky Boys of Seventy Seven (BOSS) gathered for their 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary reunion.

The day began with everyone assembling at the school campus. As always, punctuality was... flexible. But once the gang, some of them accompanied by their better halves, got together, it was like stepping into a time machine, albeit one that needed a little oiling. We strolled down memory lane and up and down the campus, marvelling at what has changed and what gloriously hasn't.

The school itself had several impressive upgrades. The new Aquatic Complex was admired with slightly envious comments and the CBSE block, too, was marvelled at, particularly the classroom to which our batch had contributed funds. There was a moment of pride as we stood there, looking at the plaque with BOSS inscribed on it.

Inside the new Pope Francis Memorial Building, we gathered for a lovely photo presentation by Padmakumar, chronicling the various activities of our batch over the years. There were laughs, and touching moments, as we remembered those of our classmates who are no longer with us. Special invitees included Rector and Manager Fr Sunny Thomas Kunnappallil SJ, Principal of the CBSE School Fr Ramlat Thomas SJ, who together with LOBA President Jacob Mathen and Vice President Dr Ram Mohan lit the lamp to mark the official inauguration of our 48th reunion.

Lunch was served in the School cafeteria, and the food somehow still carried that indescribable Loyola flavour, part nostalgia, part spice, totally scrumptious. Lunch was served in the School cafeteria, and the food somehow still carried that indescribable Loyola flavour, part nostalgia, part spice, totally scrumptious.

Post lunch, we relocated to Aadishakti Resort at Kovalam, where the real unwinding began. Surrounded by palm trees and sea breeze, we dove headfirst into old memories, some of which may have been slightly revised by time and generous servings of snacks and drinks. As the sun set and the laughter rose, dinner was served, a delicious spread that made sure no one went to bed hungry (or early). With full stomachs and fuller hearts, we relived stories that had gotten funnier, and possibly more exaggerated, over the decades.

The next morning saw a relaxed breakfast, plenty of hugs, promises to meet again before the 50<sup>th</sup>, and just a hint of regret that time passes so quickly.

Here's to friendship, to memories, to Loyola, and to the Boys of '77, the BOSS, still going strong, still laughing loud, still proudly calling ourselves Loyolites and, to rephrase the song by Paul Simon, still classy after all these years.

**Vineeth Abraham**



In front of Loyola ISC Facade



At the Diamond Jubilee Building, in front of the class sponsored by BOSS



At the newly-renovated library





Lighting the lamp



All set for the formal meeting



Photo Presentation by Padmakumar B. at the Conference Hall in the new Pope Francis Complex



MC: Prathap P. Suthan



Fr Ramlat Thomas SJ



Fr Sunny Thomas Kunnappallil SJ



Dr C. V. Ram Mohan  
Vice President, LOBA



Dr C. V. Ram Mohan, former President and current Vice President, LOBA, being draped in golden shawl



Facets of the new **BEST ATHLETE TROPHY** donated by BOSS  
(Boys of Seventy-Seven)



Mr Jacob Mathan  
President, LOBA





Spouses at Loyola



BOSS in front of the campfire at Aadishakti Resort, Kovalam



BOSS in their elements





# INDEPENDENCE DAY

## *Celebrations*

Segment One

The Kindergarteners



The spirit of patriotism filled the air as our Kindergarteners celebrated Independence Day with great enthusiasm and pride. The little ones turned up dressed in vibrant outfits and waving home-made tricolour, adding charm to the occasion.

The celebration started with a lively parade led by the tiny tots who impersonated themselves as iconic freedom fighters like Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Bhagat Singh, Subhas Chandra Bose, et al. The indoor stadium brimmed with pride and patriotism as the little ones took to the stage and sang and danced in abandon.

The prayer song by the UKG boys, the group song by both LKG and UKG, the patriotic fusion dance by the LKG kids and the thematic dance by the UKG students were a treat for the eyes and the ears thanks to the teachers who trained them with attention to even the minutest details.

Among those who spoke on the occasion were Fr Ramlat Thomas SJ, Mr Joy Varghese and Ms Sandhya George. The Independence Day speech by Omkar Guruprasad of UKG F, the welcome address by Dhruv Vineed of UKG D, the vote of thanks by Joel Chris Anish of UKG B, and the compering by Ritwik Sudhi of UKG C stood out for their charming perfection.

**Ms Aarathi Nair L.**



Prayer Song: UKG



Welcome Speech: Dhruv Vineed, UKG D



Patriotic Song by LKG & UKG







Independence Day Speech  
Omkar Guruprasad, UKG F



Vote of Thanks  
Joel Chris Anish, UKG



Comperring  
Ritwik Sudhi UKG C



Mr Joy Varghese



Fr Ramlat Thomas



Ms Sandhya George







## *Segment Two:*

# **INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION OF THE JUNIOR BOYS**



Carrying forward the fervour of the kindergarteners, the junior boys presented their segment of the celebration with equal zeal and grace.

One of the highlights of this segment was the powerful thematic skit on the Jallianwala Bagh massacre, which vividly brought history to life and stirred deep reflection. No less impactful was the vibrant group dance of classes III and IV that celebrated unity and freedom and elicited enthusiastic applause from the audience. The full-throated patriotic song of the boys of classes IV and V was flawless in every respect and quite impressive for its effect on the audience.

Each one of the individual performances was in a class by itself, whether it be the welcome address by Aarav Srivastava, the reading of the Preamble to the Constitution by Indraneil Pradeep, the evocative shayari by Arnav Kumar, the eloquent independence day speech by Aastik Ratheesh or the vote of thanks by Aashith Nair S.

The presidential address by Sr Jiji Thomas and the special message by Ms Parvathy Devi U. were thought-provoking as they centred on the timeless values that sustain us as a nation. And the school choir chipped in with their prayer song at the beginning and the school anthem at the end, and the comperes ensured the seamless flow of events in between.

The second segment of the celebration by the junior boys was indeed a fine blend of solemnity, creativity, and patriotic pride, a true testament to the spirit of Loyola.

**Ms Madhulika Singh Rathore**



Welcome Address  
Aarav Srivasthav, IV A



Independence Day Speech  
Aastik Ratheesh, V B



Vote of Thanks:  
Aashith Nair S., VD



Reading the Preamble to the  
Indian Constitution:  
Indraneil Pradeep, V A



Presidential Address  
Sr Jiji Thomas



Shayari:  
Arnab Kumar, V B



Prayer Song: School Choir



Independence Day Message  
Ms Parvathy Devi U.



Comperes: Abhinav Ganesh, V B & Aadvik Sharma, V B







Patriotic Song: Classes IV & V



School Anthem













### *Segment Three:*

## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION OF CLASSES VI TO XII



The Loyola School fraternity came together on the morning of 14 August 2025 to celebrate the 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of our nation with patriotic fervour and joy. A special assembly was organised to commemorate the occasion, bringing together students, teachers, and dignitaries in an atmosphere of unity and pride.

The celebration commenced with the national anthem, followed by a soul-stirring prayer song rendered by the school choir under the guidance of Mr Suresh Daniel. Aman Salam (IX B), Assistant School Leader, delivered the welcome address.

In his presidential address, Fr Sunny Kunnappallil SJ, Rector of Loyola Institutions, highlighted the values of freedom, responsibility, and service that every Loyolite must embrace. This was followed by the special message of the chief guest, Col. Pramod M., Director, Kerala & Lakshadweep NCC Directorate, who inspired the students with his motivating words on patriotism, discipline, and dedication to the nation. As a token of grateful appreciation, a memento was presented to the chief guest by Fr Ramlat Thomas SJ.

The cultural segment of the celebration began with a vibrant group song by the students of classes VIII, IX, and XI, coordinated by Ms Priya Balan, which filled the atmosphere with patriotic zeal. A short film, prepared under the guidance of Mr Binu N. B. depicted the struggles and sacrifices of our freedom fighters.

The event continued with a melodious Hindi solo song by Neerad R. guided by Ms Aswathy Raj, followed by a colourful and energetic group dance choreographed by Ms Malavika Vijayan. The highlight of the cultural session was a musical symphony that beautifully conveyed the spirit of national unity.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Ananthakrishnan L. of XI C, general secretary, who expressed gratitude to all dignitaries, staff, and students for making the day memorable. The assembly came to a close with the school anthem.

The last segment of the Independence Day celebration was indeed a memorable one, reminding everyone of the sacrifices of our forefathers and inspiring the young Loyolites to uphold the values of freedom, peace, and integrity in their lives.

**Dr Aswathy Raj**





Royal reception to the Chief Guest Col. Pramod M.



Ushering the Chief Guest to the Indoor Stadium



The Colonel's floral tribute to the Indian Armed Forces

Salute to the Father of the Nation







Prayer by the School Choir



Independence Message by  
Chief Guest Col. Pramod M.



Presidential Address by  
Fr Sunny Kunnappallil SJ





# THEME DANCE BY CLASSES VI TO XI







Musical Tribute to Independent India by Classes VIII & IX



Welcome Address: Aman Salam, IX B  
(Assistant School Leader)



The Comperes:  
Vismay Sajin, XI B1 &  
Aaleahya Arun Panicker, XI D



Patriotic Song by Neerad R., VI D



Vote of Thanks by  
Ananthakrishnan L., XI C  
(Joint Secretary)



Reading the Preamble to  
the Indian Constitution:  
Dhanvanth Rejith, VIII C







The kindergarten section celebrated Fruits Day with great enthusiasm on August 22, 2025. The programme was compered by Shreyas Sandeep of UKG D.

The celebration began with a prayer by the UKG students, followed by a warm welcome speech by Advik G. Darsan of UKG B.

Our Principal Fr Dr Salvin Augustine SJ addressed the gathering and highlighted the importance of including fruits in our

daily diet to stay healthy and strong.

The little ones of LKG presented a delightful fruit salad song along with a fruit salad demonstration and a fruit parade followed by an inspiring speech on fruits by Laksh Mridhu of UKG E.

The UKG students entertained everyone with a lively dance performance and a thoughtful skit.

Students brought a variety of fresh fruits from home and actively participated in preparing a fruit salad which was later served to them.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Jeremy D. Ross of UKG A, expressing his gratitude to the Principals, teachers, uncles and aunties.

The celebration helped children understand the significance of healthy eating habits while making learning fun and interactive.

**Ms Rajasree Vinod**







**Advik G. Darsan, UKG B**  
Welcome Address



**Fruit Salad Song by LKG**



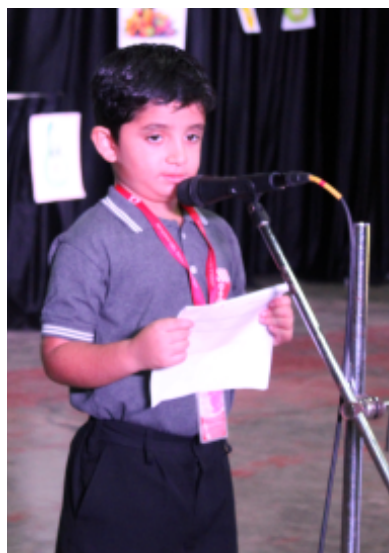
**Laksh Mridu, UKG E**  
Speech



**Jeremy D. Ross, UKG A**  
Vote of Thanks



**Shreyas Sandeep, UKG D**  
Compere





# SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SPORTS DAY



The 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Athletic Meet was conducted on 23 August 2025 with grand and spirited participation. The event beautifully combined tradition, discipline and sporting excellence, leaving an indelible mark on all present.

The day began with the school song by the choir followed by a spectacular march past by all the houses. The school leader Sidharth Sebin Roy extended a heartfelt welcome to the gathering. The lighting of the torch by our most talented athletes symbolized the dawn of competition.

The chief guest Ms Merin Joseph IPS, superintendent of Police, delivered an inspiring address reminding the students that true victory lies in vigilance and teamwork. She declared the meet open and hoisted the school flag. Then the General Captain, Karthik Nair, led the pledge. As we raised our voices together promising fair play and sportsmanship, the atmosphere became charged with unity and determination.

After the inauguration, the graceful hoop dance, the creative tableau and the energetic zumba performance enthralled the audience and set an enthusiastic mood for the day.

The athletic events unfolded with great vigour. The best march past trophy was bagged by the Apollo Pioneers while the Jupiter Jetsetters excelled by bagging the award for the best aerobic and formation display.

Individual brilliance was showcased by athletes such as A. Bharath Krishna (XII F1), Aiswar A. (X B), Alex Kuruvilla (XII F), Jonathan Edwards N. (X A), Bhamini Neelamana (XII D1), Rishikesh S. Nair (VII E) and Devarsh B. (IX A1) who were named Best Players in their respective interhouse matches. The champion titles went to outstanding athletes across divisions including Alfie Leo Jomon (IV A), Abel Sebastian (XI D), Christon Shibu (VIII B), Giridhar S. Praveen (IX A), Vinayak S. (XII B) and Kalyany S. Kumar (XI A).

Ultimately, the Sputnik Spacemen emerged as the overall champions, followed by the Jupiter Jetsetters, Apollo Pioneers and Gemini Giants.

The most prestigious honour, the Santhosh Solomon Memorial Trophy for the Best Outgoing Sportsperson was awarded to Vinayak S. of XII B.

The highlights of the event included the tug of war between LOBA and the present Loyolites, in which the latter pulled their way to victory, proving that the energy of the present can match the legacy of the past.

And the closing march out by all the houses truly embodied the spirit of unity and excellence!













Handing over the torch to international Roll Ball player Gaurav Unnikrishan

























## TROPHY WINNERS ON SPORTS DAY



**Vinayak S., XII B**

Category V (Boys) Champion and Best Outgoing Sportsperson receiving the trophy from Mr Roy Thomas, one of the Boys of Seventy-Seven (BOSS) who donated the trophy.



**Giridhar S. Praveen, IX A**  
Category IV Champion



**Christon Shibu, VIII B**  
Category III Champion



**Kalyani S. Kumar**  
Category V Champion (Girls)



**Rishikesh S. Nair, XII F1**  
Best Cricketer (Seniors)



**Alex Kuruville, XII F1**  
Best Basketball Player (Seniors)



**Jonathan Edwards N., X A**  
Best Basketball Player (Juniors)



**Bhamini Sandhya Neelamana, XII D1**  
Best Basketball Player (Sr Girls)



**Abel Sebastian Yesudas, VI D**  
Category II Champion



**Bharath Krishna, XI A2**  
Best Football Player (Seniors)



**Aiswar A., X B**  
Best Football Player (Juniors)



**Abhijith R., XII B**  
Fastest Runner (Boys)



**Neha Mariam, XI E1**  
Fastest Runner (Girls)



**Devarsh B., IX A1**  
Best Cricketer (Juniors)



**Alphie Leo Jomon, IV A**  
Category I Champion





### **SS HOUSE**

Maximum points in all divisions  
Best house in categories I, II & V  
Interhouse football winner (Seniors)



### **JJ HOUSE**

Interhouse cricket winner (Juniors)  
Second highest points in all divisions  
Best house for aerobics and formation  
Interhouse basketball winner (Juniors)  
Interhouse basketball winner (Seniors)





### AP HOUSE

Interhouse basketball winner (Juniors)  
Cup for the best house in march past  
Interhouse football winner (Juniors)  
Interhouse cricket winner (Seniors)  
Best house in categories III & IV  
Maximum points in relay races



CLICK HERE FOR THE  
YOUTUBE VIDEO ON  
LOYOLA SPORTS DAY





# ASIANET STAR SINGERS

## *at Loyola School*



Visits by celebrities are quite common in Loyola School. However, the arrival of the Asianet Star Singer Season 10 team was very special because it was a part of the Home Tour of our dear music teacher, Mr Deepu M. We also had the rare opportunity to witness gifted singers performing live.

The event began with a the welcome speech by Fr Dr Salvin Augustine SJ, lauding the consistent efforts and achievements of Mr Deepu as well as wishing all contestants good luck in the ongoing competition.

Mr Zergo Vijayaraj, the Director of the programme, spoke in general about Asianet Star Singer Season 10 and why he chose Loyola School for the inaugural episode.

The music show kicked off with the introduction of the participants. All the singers were overjoyed by the presence

of such a large audience. Ms Varsha, the famous TV anchor, coordinated the event.

The concert was preceded by a speech delivered by Mr Deepu expressing his deepest gratitude for the love and support the Loyola family gives him. His soothing melody was followed by a medley of different kinds of songs.

The musical battle between the two teams of singers (Gurukulam and Convent) flooded the minds of the audience with energy and enthusiasm. All the spectators, from the junior students to the grandparents, were enthralled by the captivating performance. The rendition of the trending 'Onam Mood' song was particularly well-received by the audience.

The programme ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Fr Ramlat Thomas. He expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the Star Singers Team for choosing our school as the starting point of their Home Tour. He also reminded the students that success is not a miracle that happens overnight.





Prayer by School Choir



Welcome address: Fr Dr Salvin Augustine SJ



Ms Varsha,  
the anchor



General introduction by Zergo Vijayaraj, the Director of the programme

The visit of the Star Singers raised the spirits of the staff and students alike. I am sure that it will have motivated many budding singers to dream big and work hard.

**Ananthakrishnan L., XI C**  
(Joint Secretary)











# L'MUN 2025

## *at Loyola*



L'MUN 2025 was conducted with great enthusiasm and success, marking another milestone in Loyola's commitment to fostering diplomacy, critical thinking, and global awareness among our students. This year's conference was particularly special as it also marked the inauguration of L.E.A.D. (Loyola Engagement in Advocacy and Diplomacy), a new club dedicated to promoting debate, leadership, and diplomacy at Loyola.

The two-day conference began on 25 August at 9:00 a.m. with the inauguration ceremony, followed by the strike of the gavel by Fr Dr Salvin Augustine, formally declaring the proceedings open. This was followed by the logo reveal of L.E.A.D. by Fr Ramlat Thomas, symbolizing the beginning of an exciting journey in Loyola's legacy of advocacy and dialogue. The committee in session was UNGA-DISEC (United Nations General Assembly – Disarmament and International Security Committee), chaired ably by Master Soheth A. Robin and Master Abhiram J., who guided the discussions with expertise and clarity.

The primary objective of this year's L'MUN was to introduce our juniors to the world of MUNs and diplomacy, giving them not only theoretical knowledge but also practical, hands-on experience. This goal was successfully achieved as all of the participants actively engaged in debate, negotiation, and drafting processes, culminating in the creation of a well-structured Draft Resolution. The participants showed remarkable enthusiasm, interest, and a willingness to learn, making the event both educational and enjoyable.

The second day of the programme concluded at 1:00 p.m. with the closing ceremony and prize distribution. The delegates who were awarded recognitions were: Dea Ann Shins (China), Best Delegate; Anna George (Poland), High Commendation; Reanne Treesa (DPRK), Honourable Mention; Vaibhav Prince (Mexico), Honourable Mention; Siddarth M. R. (Russia), Special Mention; Akshay George Sam, Best Photo Journalist, and Aaleahya Arun Panicker, Best Journalist.

The success of L'MUN 2025 was made possible through the unwavering support and guidance of Ms Roshini Joseph, who coordinated the event with utmost dedication. Her encouragement and involvement were instrumental in ensuring that every detail of the conference was carried out smoothly. The coordinating team of L.E.A.D. also worked tirelessly to make the event a reality. The team included: Reanne Treesa, Vismay Vaisakh, Dea Ann Shins, Atul P., Siddarth M. R., Roheth A. Robin,





Nirupama Praveen, Sidharth Roy, Esha Anna Thomas, and Maria Grace, each of whom contributed greatly to the planning and execution of the sessions.

In conclusion, L'MUN 2025 was not only a platform for debate and diplomacy but also a memorable learning experience for all participants. It successfully met its objective of training students, encouraging collaboration, and nurturing future leaders who can think critically and act responsibly on global issues. With the enthusiasm and success witnessed this year, L.E.A.D. looks forward to expanding its initiatives further, aspiring to host an interschool MUN that will bring together young diplomats from across institutions to share in this enriching experience.

**Reanne Treesa, XII B1**





# *Onam Celebration of the* **Kindergarteners**



Loyola School Kindergarten celebrated Onam with great enthusiasm and joy on 26 August 2025 at the Indoor Stadium. The programme began at 9:00 am with the MCs, Advik C. Anu and Janosh Riccardo Jeskleen of UKG E, welcoming everyone warmly.

The celebration started with a soulful prayer by UKG students, followed by a heartfelt welcome speech in Malayalam by Navneet V. S. of UKG F. Inspirational messages were then shared by Fr Dr Salvin Augustine SJ, Fr Ramlath Thomas SJ, and Sr Jiji Thomas, highlighting the values of Onam—unity, love, and togetherness.

A beautiful Onam song by LKG and UKG students filled the atmosphere with festive spirit. This was followed by a lively Onam skit by LKG students, bringing alive the story and traditions of King Mahabali. The children of UKG then presented a graceful Onam fusion dance, showcasing the cultural vibrance of Kerala.

Adding to the charm of the day, Gavin V. Nithin of LKG B delivered a speech in Malayalam, expressing the true essence of Onam in simple words. A melodious song by the teachers further enriched the programme.

The event concluded with a warm vote of thanks proposed by Ayaan Arun of UKG D, expressing gratitude to all who made the celebration a memorable one.

The Onam celebration at Loyola School Kindergarten was a beautiful blend of tradition, culture, and togetherness, leaving behind happy memories for both children and teachers.

**Ms Veena Vikraman**





MCs: Advik C. Anu and Janosh Riccardo Jeskleen, UKG E



Navneet V. S., UKG F  
Welcome speech











Gavin V. Nithin, LKG B  
Speech on Onam



Ayaan Arun, UKG D  
Vote of thanks



# Onam 2025

## A POOKKALAM OF TALENT AND JOY



27th August dawned with an atmosphere of tranquillity. For the past few days, the rain had been playing a merry game of will-it-won't-it, but it seemed to have finally made up its mind; the sun shone red and hot on a sky laid bare of clouds.

Decked out in my festive best, albeit boiling in the ruthless sunlight, I exchanged good mornings and happy Onams in equal measure with fellow students, knowing very well that schoolwork would join seasonal flowers, with unnecessary glee, in adding colour to this holiday.

The morning was filled with unfiltered joy. Enthusiastic friends of mine conducted an unmatched Onam celebration in our classroom; we played dumb charades, musical chairs, and watched talent come to the forefront through melodious songs, impromptu dances and cheerful takes on the classic Onam cheer, *arpooo, irro, irro, irro!*

Maveli's visit made the morning complete. He, along with the *chendamelam*, passionate *pulis*, and our Principal and staff members, brought the Onam vibe to the classroom. Just as we were catching our breath after the flyby from the spirited troupe, we were whisked off to watch the cultural programme in the auditorium.

After the lighting of the lamp and a thought-provoking address by our chief guest, Prof Dr Achuthshankar S. Nair, who talked to us about Onam and the vibrant culture surrounding it, we split our sides watching the skit, with its confluence of old and new and cheeky references to the modern-day obsession with vlogging everything, which was interspersed with rocking dance moves by both juniors and seniors. This, of course, got us on our feet in no time, and it was quite a Herculean task for the teachers to get us back to our seats.

Of course, no Onam celebration is complete without the songs, rendered beautifully by our talented singers. The hearty *kaikottikkali* performance, which mixed elements from folk songs with exuberance, was just the cherry on the cake, or, going with the mood, the *payasam* after the *sadya*.

Even after all these celebrations, we were still bursting with energy. Some of that found an outlet in the lively dance that followed the programme. We moved in one rhythm to Onam tunes, singing out loud, hands waving,



cheering together. This sea of students in every shade of the *athapookkalam* found its way to the *payasam* table outside. Though more crowded than the temple ground on Thrissur Pooram, we managed to get our hands on a cup each, and rushed back for a hurried lunch before the much-anticipated showdown, without which no Onam is ever complete—*vadamvali*.

The senior boys and girls pulled with all their might, and we couldn't even decide whom to cheer for, but the deafening cheer that spread across the field the moment our uncles and teachers won made us all rise as one in joy. We watched the coveted *vazhakkula* being lifted amidst laughter and shouting, as the day slowly came to an end.

As we bid everyone goodbye and a happy Onam, to come back after ten days, we were struck by the beauty of this moment when tradition, culture, and identity intersect, the entire state from Thiruvananthapuram to Kasaragod, celebrate as one, regardless of age or borders or religion, in this festival that unites us all: Onam, the heartbeat of Kerala.

**Meenakshi Nair, XI G1**





































# STAFF ONAMA THIMIRTHONAM



Loyola made history this year by hosting an Onam celebration exclusively for the staff.

The programme was filled with unique highlights. A special attraction of this

year's celebration was the procession with *thalapoli*, gracefully led by the teachers who joined Loyola in 2025. Their vibrant presence and traditional outfit set a festive tone and added a beautiful cultural touch to the day's events. The entry of Mahabali and Vamanan, enacted humorously by Ms Anu K.V. and Ms Sindhu V. S. set the hall roaring with laughter. Another unforgettable moment was the mega thiruvathira in which nearly 200 teaching and non-teaching staff members joined together in a grand display of unity and festive spirit.

The presence and performance of the celebrity chief guest, Ms Manjula, further elevated the celebrations to hilarious heights. With her trademark humour, she introduced herself as the "most popular and most sought-after one for all functions." Though she arrived late—citing her Lamborghini's struggle on Kerala's roads, her cheerful energy brightened the hall instantly. Her witty comment that Onam celebrations in Germany are more powerful than in Kerala led to much laughter, with the day humorously renamed "GermOnam."

The event was the result of excellent planning and creativity. The master planner, Ms Keerthy, ably supported by Mr Anil, Ms Bindu, Mr Sooraj, Mr Binu, and Mr Sibin, worked tirelessly to make the programme unique and entertaining.

The joyous participation of every staff member doubled the spirit of the day. Much more than just a celebration of Onam, it was a celebration of unity, laughter, and the Loyola family spirit.

Breaking away from tradition, the Onam *sadya* was outsourced to enable the teachers to be free from kitchen duties and enjoy the festival to the fullest.

Truly, it was a *thimirthonam*, an Onam that will be remembered with delight for years to come.

**Ms Keerthy V. S.**

















FORTHCOMING PROGRAMMES

**Teachers' Day  
Celebration**

**L'SPECTRA**

**LOYOLA CUP  
Basketball Tournament**

