



## CHRONICLES OF LORETO





# STEERING THE SHIP



## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Students,

Rev Fr Jason Monis  
M.A., B.Ed

As the final pages of this incredible month and the year 2025 turn, we look back with immense pride at everything we've accomplished and are eager to welcome the new year with spirit and joy. From the starting pistol of Sports Day to the dazzling lights of our Christmas celebrations, you have all been true champions! Kudos to everyone!

### Sports Day Success

Sports are an important event and an integral part of our life. It was a great opportunity for you to exhibit your physical fitness and talents. It was also an opportunity to discover your hidden abilities, develop them, and achieve great things in the future. Congratulations to all the students, teachers, and staff for taking the effort to make the day a memorable one.

### Patrons Day

The Patron's Day celebration was a remarkable occasion. For the first time in the history of Loretto English Medium High School, Patron's Day was celebrated, and it was an opportunity for all of us to honour our Patron, Our Lady of Loretto. By celebrating Patron's Day, we remember the blessings of the Almighty on all of us and remain grateful to Him for giving us intelligence and knowledge.

Students, with this celebration, most of the major activities of the school calendar come to an end. Along with this, the year is also drawing to a close, and we eagerly look forward to welcoming the new year with fresh hope and happiness.

### Introspection and Future Planning

As the year comes to an end, we have one important task: to introspect and assess what we have achieved and what we have not. We had 365 days at our disposal, and the question to ponder is: What are our achievements? We must correct ourselves for the future and enter the new year not just with simple wishes and weak statements, but rather with strong resolutions and a future plan for shaping our lives after study.

So, I advise you, dear children, to take up the challenge and shape your future by studying well, improving your talents and skills, and restraining yourselves from the excessive use of mobile phones.

Dear children, thank you so much for all your support and contribution towards the school. Continue to excel and thus make this house of study truly the foundation for forming the future of our society and our country.

All the best, and wishing you a Happy New Year 2026!





# FROM THE COUNSELOR'S DESK

## CHRISTMAS: A SEASON OF HEALING, HOPE, AND INNERPEACE

Christmas is not just a celebration of lights, stars, and festivities; it is a season that speaks deeply to the

human mind and heart. In our surroundings there are many students and families who smile on outside but carry silent worries within. Worries like stress, fear of failure, loneliness, and emotional pain. Christmas gently reminds us that even in the darkest moments, light (Lord Jesus) is born.

The birth of Jesus in a humble manger teaches us a powerful truth: our worth is not defined by status, achievements, or perfection. God chose simplicity, vulnerability, and love. This message is especially important for students today, who face academic pressure, social comparison, and emotional confusion during adolescence.

Mama Mary's trust, Joseph's silent strength, the shepherds' simplicity, and the wise men's search for truth remind us that every individual's journey is unique, yet meaningful. Christmas reassures students that it is okay to feel unsure, to grow slowly, and to seek help when everything feels hopeless.

From a mental health perspective, Christmas encourages connection over isolation, gratitude over anxiety, and hope over despair. Simple acts—listening to one another, forgiving, expressing gratitude, and spending quality time—can heal emotional wounds more than expensive gifts ever can.

As we celebrate this blessed season, let us create emotionally safe homes and schools where children feel heard, valued, and loved. Let Christmas begin not just in our decorations, but in our hearts—bringing peace to troubled minds and hope to every tired soul.

May the light of the newborn Jesus guide our thoughts, heal our emotions, and fill our lives with lasting joy.

Merry Christmas and a Hope-filled New Year 2026



**Mrs Maria Mildred Dsouza  
Counsellor**





# WISDOM FROM THE STAFFROOM



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: A FESTIVAL OF JOY AND TOGETHERNESS

Christmas is a joyful festival celebrated all over the world with lights, decorations, and happiness. People of all ages look forward to this special time when homes are decorated with sparkling fairy lights, colorful ornaments, and beautifully adorned Christmas trees. Children eagerly wait for Santa Claus to bring gifts and goodies, while families come together to enjoy the festive spirit. The air is filled with excitement, laughter, and the aroma of delicious treats like cakes, cookies, and traditional dishes. Singing Christmas carols and exchanging gifts are some of the most cherished traditions of this festival. Schools and communities organize events like plays, competitions, and parties to spread joy and togetherness. People also visit friends and relatives, sharing love, happiness, and warm wishes.



**Mrs. Vinitha Priya DSouza**

Beyond the fun and festivities, Christmas teaches us the importance of kindness, generosity, and family bonding. It is a time to help the less fortunate and share love with everyone around us. The true spirit of Christmas lies in giving, caring, and creating happy memories with loved ones. Every year, this festival reminds us that joy and love are the greatest gifts of all, making Christmas a magical and heartwarming celebration for everyone.

## GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE TO PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL

Christmas is one of the most joyful festivals celebrated on 25th December every year. It marks the birth of Jesus Christ, who taught people to love one another, forgive others, and live in peace. Christmas is celebrated with great happiness all over the world.



**Mrs. Jacintha Moras**

Before Christmas, people clean and decorate their homes, schools, and churches with stars, lights, candles, and Christmas trees. One of the most important symbols of Christmas is the crib. The crib shows the birth of Baby Jesus in a manger, with Mary, Joseph, shepherds, angels, and animals. We prepare the crib to remember the humble birth of Jesus and to learn the values of simplicity, love, and obedience.

The tradition of preparing the crib was started by St. Francis of Assisi in the year 1223. When St. Francis of Assisi prepared the first crib, he used real animals to make the scene more meaningful and to help people understand the true story of the birth of Jesus. Since then, people all over the world prepare cribs in their homes, schools, and churches.





# FOUNDATION OF FUN

## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Loreto English Medium High School C.B.S.E, celebrated Christmas with great joy and devotion in the school auditorium.

The programme was graced by the presence of the School Manager, Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta, the Chief Guest, Rev. Fr. Melwin Lobo, Headmaster of Infant Jesus English Medium School, Modankap, PTA Vice President Mr. Rodney Ivan D'Souza, and Mrs. Anitha Pais, Vice Principal.

The dignitaries inaugurated the celebration by unveiling the gift box and adorning the Christmas tree with name plates symbolising Peace, Joy, and Merry Christmas. On the eve of Christmas, a Christmas Star Making Competition was organised, and the winners were honoured by the Chief Guest and the dignitaries.

Rev. Fr. Melwin Lobo wished everyone a Merry Christmas and spoke about the birth of Jesus and the powerful message it gives to humanity love, hope, humility, and service to others. He encouraged students to follow these values in their daily lives.

The School Manager Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta in his address highlighted the true spirit of Christmas, emphasising love, sharing, caring for others, and faith in Jesus, who heals, comforts, and helps us overcome difficulties.

The celebration was enriched by a beautiful cultural programme presented by the students, which included melodious carol singing, a skit depicting the birth of Jesus, an angel dance, and the cheerful arrival of Santa Claus.

The programme was compered by Chinthana of Grade 6, the welcome address was delivered by Ashmita of Grade 8, and the vote of thanks was proposed by Muhamin of Grade 7.





# FOUNDATION OF FUN



## A Divine Celebration: Patrons' Day

Loreto English Medium High School, CBSE, celebrated Patrons' Day with deep devotion and joyous enthusiasm in the school auditorium. The solemn occasion was graced by Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta, Manager; Sr. Idoline Rodrigues, Chief Guest and Headmistress of Loreto Aided Kannada Medium School; Rev. Fr. Jason Vijay Monis, Principal; Mr. Rodney Ivan D'Souza, PTA Vice President; and Mrs. Anitha Pais, Vice Principal.



The celebration commenced with a melodious invocation song by the school choir, seeking God's blessings. The dignitaries then inaugurated the programme by lighting the candle before the statue of Loreto Mata, setting a reverent tone for the day. In her inspiring address, Sr. Idoline Rodrigues conveyed her heartfelt wishes and encouraged students to draw three vital lessons from our Patroness: to grow in faith, to remain humble and obedient, and to be loving and joyful both at home and in school.

Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta, in his message, shared insights into the history of Loreto Mata, highlighting Mother Mary's loving protection and constant presence. He emphasized how her blessings continue to guide and nurture the growth of the school. Adding to the significance of the occasion, Viyola of Grade 10 spoke eloquently on the importance of Patrons' Day, reflecting on the values of faith, service, and leadership inspired by our Patroness.

The cultural segment was a vibrant showcase of talent, featuring soulful songs, graceful dances, and a meaningful skit portraying the history and heritage of Loreto. The students' performances beautifully enriched the spirit of devotion and celebration. The programme was smoothly compered by Master John of Grade 10, with a warm welcome extended by Apoorva of Grade 9. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Verona. The Patrons' Day celebration was truly memorable, strengthening the bonds of unity, love, and devotion within the Loreto family.



# SCHOOL NEWS



## ANNUAL SPORTS MEET 2025

Loreto English Medium High School, CBSE, Bantwal, hosted its Annual Sports Meet with great enthusiasm and a vibrant display of sportsmanship. The event was graced by Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta, Manager; Rev. Fr. Vincent Lobo, Administrator, Father Mullers Hospital and Chief Guest; Rev. Fr. Jason Vijay Monis, Principal; along with PTA and Parish Council representatives. The programme began with the hoisting of the school flag, lighting of the sports flame, and an inspiring torch relay by student achievers. A disciplined March Past and a colourful drill display added grandeur to the inaugural ceremony. In his address, Fr. Vincent Lobo encouraged students to uphold true sportsmanship and believe in themselves, while Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta appreciated the efforts of staff and students and highlighted the importance of sports for holistic growth. The meet was formally declared open with the release of white doves, symbolising peace and limitless potential.

Students actively participated in various athletic events throughout the day, showcasing talent, teamwork, and determination. The meet concluded with a closing ceremony where individual champions were honoured for their outstanding performances.

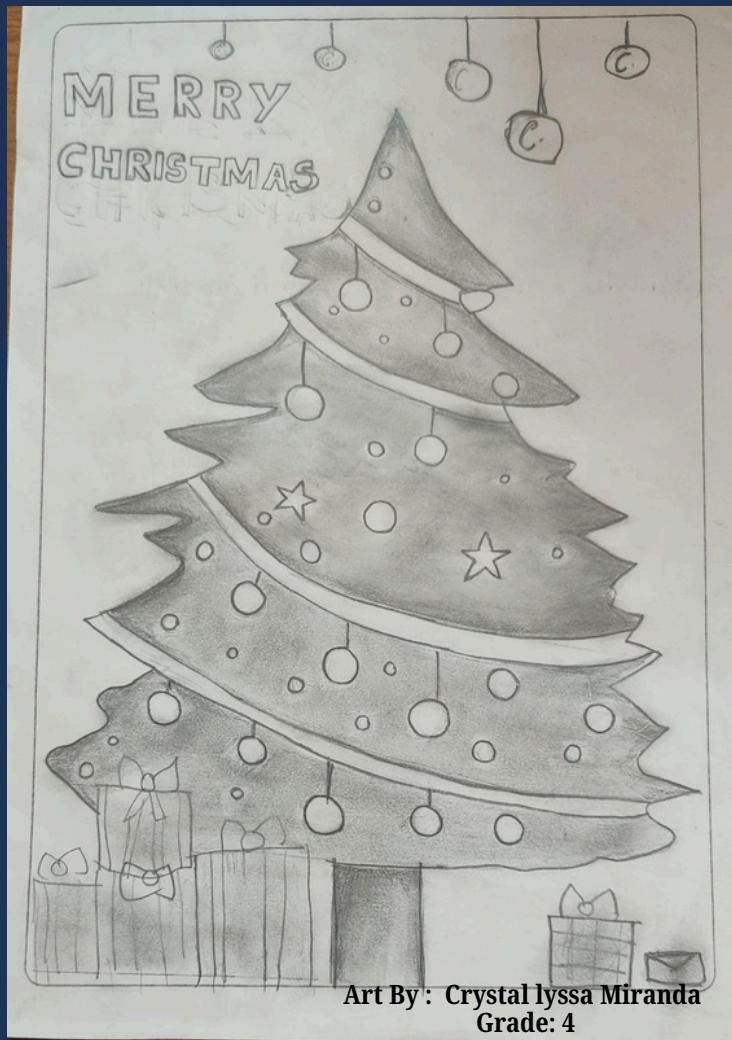
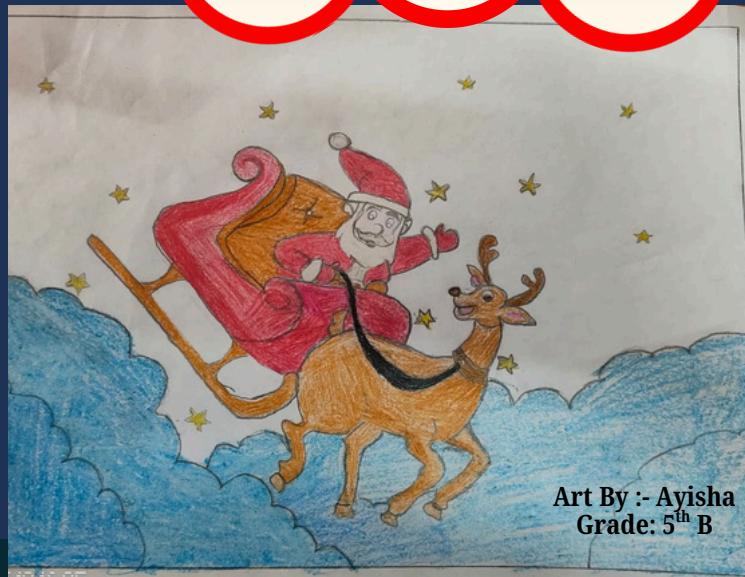
Parents' Sports Meet Loreto English Medium High School, CBSE, organised a Parents' Sports Meet on 6th December 2025 at the school ground, promoting fitness, teamwork, and strong school-parent bonding. The event was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta, Manager; Rev. Fr. Jason Vijay Monis, Principal; and Mr. Rodney Ivan D'Souza, PTA Vice President, with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp.

Over 100 parents enthusiastically participated in various sporting events, displaying great energy and sportsmanship. Rev. Fr. Francis Crasta appreciated the parents' active involvement and encouraged continued cooperation for the holistic development of students.

The meet concluded with a prize distribution ceremony and a vote of thanks, leaving behind joyful memories and reinforcing a spirit of collaboration within the Loreto family.



# ART GALLERY



# LITTLE MINDS LOUD SPOKEN

## BELLS OF JOY

Bells of joy ring through air  
Christmas comes with love and care  
Stars shine bright on winters nights  
Homes glow warm with festive lights  
Beyond gifts and Shining tree  
Christmas teaches unity  
Smiles are shared  
Making every moment bright

Name : Babitha Rose  
Grade: 10



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a special festival celebrated on 25<sup>th</sup> December every year. It marks the birthday of Jesus Christ, Who is known as the son of God. On this day people decorate their homes with Christmas tree , lights and stars.

Children eagerly wait for Santa clause who brings them gifts and spreads happiness.

Families and friends exchange gifts, Cards, and sweets and enjoy delicious treats like cakes and cookies people visit churches to pray, sing Christmas carols and celebrate the spirit of love and kindness.

Name :Kusuma  
Grade: 9



## CHRISTMAS – A TIME OF LOVE AND SHARING

Christmas is one of the most joyful and widely celebrated festivals in the world. It is celebrated every year on 25th December to mark the birth of Jesus Christ. Christians believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Christmas is celebrated with great happiness, love, and unity not only by Christians but also by people of different religions and cultures.

The preparations for Christmas begin many days before the festival. People clean and decorate their houses with lights, stars, wreaths, and colourful ornaments. The most important part of the decoration is the Christmas tree, which is beautifully decorated with bells, ribbons, lights, and small gifts.

Children eagerly wait for Santa Claus, who is believed to bring gifts and chocolates for them. On Christmas Eve, special prayers and midnight masses are held in churches. People sing Christmas carols and share festive meals with family and friends. Delicious dishes like cakes, cookies, and plum pudding are prepared in every home.

Christmas teaches us the values of love, kindness, peace, and forgiveness. It reminds us to help the poor and spread happiness to everyone around us. Christmas is truly a festival that brings people closer and fills their hearts with joy and hope

Name : Rishona Lobo  
Grade : 3

## THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas is coming, oh what fun,  
A time for presents for everyone.

The tree is decorated with lights so bright,

A magical sight on this merry night.

We sing Christmas carols with joyful sound,And exchange gifts with love all around.The room is filled with laughter and cheer,A happy Christmas is finally here.

Name : Ayisha Liyana  
Grade: 5<sup>th</sup> A



SHARE



for videos

visit [www.lorettocentralschool.com](http://www.lorettocentralschool.com)

PAGE | 09



# LITTLE MINDS LOUD SPOKEN

## Christmas – A Season of Love and Happiness

Every year on December 25<sup>th</sup> people around the world celebrate Christmas. It is a special time when families and friends come together to share joy and happiness. The tradition of Christmas includes various customs and activities that make it a magical and exciting time for everyone. One of the most famous figures during Christmas is Santa Clause. He Wears a red travels on a sleigh pulled by reindeer children wait for Santa Claus with gifts. School have special Christmas funtions. People sing Carols and enjoy good food. Many people go to church on this day.

It is a happy time when people are willing to forgive and forget



Name : Chahna

Grade: 10

### SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Pine tree that are high,  
Give light at night,  
They shine so bright,  
It's Christmas Time  
Stop the fight,  
Give love tonight,  
Its charismas time.  
A Greeting you'll like,  
In a card that you'll find,  
Just always smile,  
For its Christmas time.




Name : Vivina Roshan  
Grade : 5<sup>th</sup> A



 SHARE



## CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve is a night of magic, Joy and togetherness. In India It's a Vibrant celebration with midnight masses, Carol singing and festive decorations Families and friends gather, Share Traditional sweets and treats, and enjoy quality time.

People decorate their homes with colorful lights balloons and Christmas trees, making them look festive and cozy. Children eagerly await Santa Claus, Who brings gifts and make dreams come true. The air is filled with excitement as people prepare for the big day. Churches host special services, and communities come together to spread love and kindness.

As the night unfolds, homes are filled with laughter stories, and the spirit of giving. The Christmas tree shines bright, and the sound of carol fills the air.

Santa Claus the iconic symbol of Christmas is eagerly awaited bringing joy and cheer to all. All the clock strikes midnight, People welcome Christmas day with cheer and enthusiasm. It's a time for reflection, gratitude, and new beginnings. The spirit of Christmas Eve is contagious bringing people closer and filling hearts with joy, love and kindness.

By: Samskruthi  
Grade : 9