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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

La Vox – "The Voice" is the heartbeat of Loyola School – a monthly newsletter that brings to you the news and views from our vibrant campus. It offers a snapshot of all the events and activities that take place each month and also serves as a creative space where students can express themselves through articles, short stories, reflections, and personal experiences.

The theme for the academic year 2025–2026 is "Awaken the Potential and Shape the Future." This newsletter is one of the many ways we aim to nurture the talents of our students, encouraging them to be creative, thoughtful, and engaged. It is not enough to know the facts; our students must also learn to think deeply, reflect meaningfully, and voice their opinions with clarity and courage.

This newsletter will be published every month, and I warmly invite all parents to read it and encourage your children to contribute regularly. Even though students were away during the summer break, the school campus remained alive with energy and activity. We hosted training programmes in Basketball, Football, Roller Skating, Taekwondo, Chess, and Badminton. Many students participated enthusiastically in these summer coaching camps, and you can read about their experiences in the pages that follow. We also began classes for our 10th standard students, who returned with focus and dedication.

The two months of summer vacation have now come to a close. I hope you all found time to rest, travel, learn new things, and enjoy special moments with your families and friends. Some of you may have used this time to sharpen your skills, while others immersed yourselves in books and new experiences. Whatever path you took, I believe these past weeks have enriched you in meaningful ways.

Now, as you return to school filled with hope and excitement, make the most of the opportunities ahead. Each of you is blessed with unique talents – let this year be the one where you awaken your potential and shape your future.

With deep appreciation, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to our Class 10 students and teachers for the outstanding results in the Board Examination. This success is a testament to the unwavering dedication and commitment of our teachers, and the sincere efforts of our students. Together, you have made the school proud.

A special mention to our school toppers — Midha Sajid, Hrithunanda M.T. and Anjali K — for their outstanding achievement. As you step into the next phase of your academic journey for your +2 studies, we fondly remember each of you and assure you of our prayers and blessings. I also take this opportunity to sincerely thank Fr Ramlat Thomas SJ, our former principal, for his relentless service and unwavering commitment to the school.

"Inside you, there's an untapped strength waiting to rise. Awaken it, and you will shape a brighter tomorrow."

Wishing you all a joyful, fulfilling, and memorable academic year.

Principal Fr Roy Alex SJ



ICSE EXAMINATION 2024-25 90% ABOVE STUDENTS

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Midha Sajid



Hrithunanda MT



Anjali K



Niya K



Vandhana S



Adib Mohammed



Krishnaj Sai



A Aaryan

Aadithyalal P



Ayush SR



Sreehari P



Madhav MJ



Alok Devaj

100% PASS | Appeared: 52 | Distinction: 43 | First Class: 9



The Pahalgam Attack and India's Response



On 22 April 2025, the tranquil town of Pahalgam in Jammu and Kashmir was shattered by a brutal terrorist attack. Gunmen opened fire on tourist in the Baisaran meadow, resulting in deaths of 26 individuals, including two foreign nationals from Nepal and UAE The resistance front (TRF), an offshoot of Pakistan based Lashkar-e-Taiba, claimed responsibility for this heinous act, which targeted civilians based on their religion. The Indian government's response was swift and multifaceted. Prime minister Narendra Modi convened a Cabinet committee on security meeting, granting the armed forces full autonomy to determine the mode, targets and timing of a military response. Subsequently, India launched Operation sindoor on May 7, 2025, a precision military campaign involving rafale fighter jets equipped with SCALP missiles and HAMMER bombs.

The Operation targeted nine terrorist camps in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir neutralizing Key threats. In addition to milltary action, India undertook significant diplomatic measures. The



government suspended the Indus water treaty, a longstanding water sharing agreement with Pakistan and closed the Attari-wogah border. Visas for Pakistane Nationals were revoked and diplomatic staff in both sides were reduced. These steps aimed to isolate Pakistan internationally and pressurize it to seas support for cross-border terrorism. The international community largely supported India's stance. Leaders from the US, UK and France and also other nations condemned the attack and expressed solidarity with India However country's like Turkey and Azerbaijan sided with Pakistan. Indian Government also organised a nationwide emergency preparedness drill to improve civil defense mechanism. The pahalgam attack and India's resolute response underscore the nation's commitment to safeguarding its citizens and sovereignty through a combination of military precision, diplomatic strategy and internal security management and enhancement, India has demonstrated its determination to combat terror and maintain religional stability.



STUDY, STRIVE, SUCCEED: OUR SUMMER CAMP STORY



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Arundhathi V. Kishore

The study camp that was conducted for 10TH standard students, starting from the 5th of May to the 20th of May, gave the students valuable learning experiences and priceless lessons on time management. We had classes from morning 7:30 to 10:30am which was divided into two subjects. The early timing of the classes taught us the importance of punctuality and the value of time. Since, every minute, every day and even every second is crucial during the examinations, this lesson is considered important. Free from daily distractions, students can also focus and concentrate on their studies and understanding, of the key concept in every subject. Not only the environment but we also had the support of the teachers who were as focused as us in teaching. Beyond text-Book knowledge, we developed self-

discipline and a different mindset about our studies. Even though the intense study schedule and early morning timings, were a drastic change from our normal school timings; they helped us a lot as we could study afresh in the morning and stay energetic throughout the sessions. The summer classes brought many adaptation challenges with them but instilled several necessary moral values in us, as students and as the future of our country Overall, these classes were a much-needed push for the students to let us know that the milestone of 10th has come around.







Comfort _{Kills} Dreams





Are dreams something you see when you sleep or are they what you wish to be?

life is like a barren field, we fill those fields with flowers, with dreams.

They never grow themselves

They grow from hardwork and perseverance.

but never with self doubt

Given to you like a gift from god,... they are yours to admire and achieve.

Igniting a five of desire in you Those flowers, never grow themselves They grow from that fire in you.

But then, when comfort enters that land, You isolate and extinguish that fire.

You choose how you keep that landeither with flowers so beautiful or with flowers so withered.

do tell me dreams something you see in your sleep or are they the things that we desire to be?

If I were the Principal of My School



Aathif Ahmed P XB

If I were the principal of my school, I would make some big changes. I feel that some schools are too old and need to be updated. Students have too much work and very little lime to relax or play. If I were the principal, I would make

long assemblies shorter. Instead of long speeches, students could share their thoughts or stories. Teachers could also contribute by offering short messages or moral lessons. This way, students can learn something good without getting bored.

In class, I would make the timetable better. Difficult subjects, like Physics and Maths should be in morning and light subject like English in between. This

would help students learn something good without getting bored.

I would also add more sports and fun activities like clay modelling, photography, swimming and writing. We only have one PT period a week, so I would add at least one more. These would make school more interesting. When students enjoy coming to school, they learn better too. Most importantly, I would ensure that teachers build a friendly and approachable relationship with students. When teachers are kind and easy to talk to, students feel more comfortable, happy, and safe at school. A friendly teacher can help students to do better.

As a Principal, I would try my best to make school a fun and safe place for every student. I want students to enjoy learning and also grow in other skills. If given the opportunity, I would make school a place where learning, joy, and personal growth go hand in hand — not just to score marks, but to prepare for life.

Beyond the Court: Lessons from Loyola Summer Camp





Rishikesh MS X B

Summer camps provide a valuable opportunity for children and teenagers to break out of their comfort zones, explore new experiences, build teamwork skills, and create lasting memories that contribute to their personal growth."

Loyola Basketball Summer Camp 2025 began on April 4th, marking my fifth and last summer camp at Loyola School. It helped me develop strong communication and teamwork skills. Special training Camp under Ms. Deepthi helped me discover and develop my hidden skills and talent. Summer camps and daily dedicated practice helped me earn selection in the CISCE state basketball tournament for the past three years. This camp also helped me to keep my body and mind healthy. "Consistent practice pays off, unlike occasional practice. Loyola Summer Camps will always remain treasured memories for me.





THE HAPPIEST DAYS OF OUR LIVES





Meenakshi AK X B

Most people I know have told me that my childhood and school years were the happiest days of my life. But, like most children, I wanted to grow up. I thought, "How can they predict the happiest days of my life?" Now, I feel completely the opposite. I wish I could go back and enjoy those days without worrying about growing up. All those vivid memories come rushing back when I think about them. From the excitement of the first days and making new friends, to the anxiety over small tests, because, at the time, those felt like our biggest responsibilities. Another reason childhood and school days were so joyful is the sense of freedom and the few responsibilities we had. We don't always realize or recognize the good and bad times, but as we grow older, all the good memories become treasures.

We smile at those memories, and being with the same people and places from your childhood makes you incredibly nostalgic. Sometimes you don't even realize how fast you and your friends have grown up. I hate to admit to my younger self that childhood really is the happiest time of your life."



Congratulations

ALVIN DEV

National Gold Medal (200m) India Skate Roller Skating MANHA FATHIMA M VIII B

International Chess Tournament organized by the Chess Academy Singapore Second Prize





Fostering Sportsmanship and Healthy Living: Summer Coaching Camp Kicks Off









The much-anticipated Summer Coaching Camp for basketball and football commenced on 7th April at the school campus, marking a vibrant start to the season of energy, discipline, and athletic growth. This initiative is designed not only to enhance the sporting skills of students but also to promote physical well-being and teamwork.

The camp was officially inaugurated by Fr Pious Vachaparambil SJ, the School Manager, in a brief but meaningful ceremony. In his inaugural address, Fr Pious emphasized the importance of sportsmanship in everyday life, reminding the young athletes that participating in sports is not merely about winning or losing, but about learning to respect others, stay committed, and face challenges with grace. He also underlined how engaging in physical activities like football and basketball can be a powerful tool in helping students overcome mobile phone addiction, encouraging a more active and focused lifestyle.

Fr Roy Alex SJ, the Principal, also addressed the gathering. He urged the students to take full advantage of the summer coaching camp by participating enthusiastically in all sessions. He highlighted how regular involvement in sports plays a significant role in maintaining physical health and instilling values like discipline, collaboration, and perseverance.

A special moment during the ceremony was the unveiling of the new team jerseys for both the football and basketball squads. The jerseys, symbolic of team spirit and school pride, were jointly unveiled by Fr Pious Vachaparambil SJ and Fr Roy Alex SJ, and distributed to the players, marking the formal induction of the teams into the summer training program.

The camp is expected to provide a strong foundation in both sports while nurturing a spirit of camaraderie, fitness, and personal growth among the students.

