

# **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

# SES COLLEGE SREEKANDAPURAM

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## ADROIT

"Nothing sublimely artistic has ever arisen out of mere art...There must always be a rich moral soil for any artistic growth"-G.K Chesterton.

Creativity is one of the highest transmissions of love. In our department, students' imagination and creativity are nurtured and given wings to soar to the sky. They create beautiful and meaningful pieces of art to express their emotions. These are showcased in "ADROIT", our department wall magazine.

The Department of English always attend and motivate its student community to be active, interactive and creative. To give an arena to portray the students' experiments with letters and colours, the Department of English set up a platform through the medium of wall magazine entitled "ADROIT", where the students attempts can be posted. The inauguration was done on June 10, 2015 by Principal, Dr. Dominic Thomas. HOD, Mr. Baby Thomas introduced the objective behind the initiative. Mrs. Shabeena Backer was given the charge of faculty coordinator of the initiative. The main aim of ADROIT is to enhance the creative writing and artistic competencies of students. Teachers and students of the department were present to grace the occasion.



#### DEPARTMENT LIBRARY INAUGURATION

The Department of English has always taken effort to inculcate the reading habits among its students. Library aids the student in achieving a successful transition from childhood to adulthood by providing the resources and the environment that will foster intellectual, emotional and social development.

With this aim, under the leadership of HOD, Mr. Baby Thomas, the Department of English commenced a department library which was inaugurated on September 15. The major contribution of the books to the library was done by the HOD himself. Following his footsteps, both teachers and students contributed to the library and thus department library maintain its richness with diverse book collection. The library runs in a very systematic way with a librarian and a proper register. When the students take a book, they have to record it in the Issue register and returning of the book at proper time is made mandatory.



## PLANTING A SEED

"Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago" - Warren Buffett.

At a time, when environmental problems are growing and biophysical limits-to-growth are apparent, encouraging sustainable behaviour is a critical societal concern.

With this objective department initiated "Planting a seed" programme on January 18,

2016 to broaden students' environmental stewardship initiatives. This is also an attempt of

the department to bring theory into practice by extension of the text Green Voices.



#### ECO MANUSCRIPT MAGAZINE COMPETITION

Department of English took another venture of ECO MANUSCRIPT MAGAZINE Competition to bring up theory into practice by putting together the theme of *Green Voices*, one of the Common courses in English. It was a competition conducted for all the departments (first years) on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016. Students from all departments prepared powerpoint presentations along with their individual manuscript magazine (class publication) which they made in different patterns like leaf, tree and all. The programme was judged by Mr. Muhammed Saleem, Assistant Profesor of English, Sir Syed College, Thaliparamba. College Principal, Dr. Dominic Thomas, Department HOD, Mr. Baby Thomas, teachers and students made the programme a grand success with their presence. The co ordinator of the programme was Mrs. Shabeena Backer. The main aim of this programme was to make students more concerned about nature and to promote nature friendly life style. Students from all departments participated in the competition enthusiastically with all its spirit.







### TRIBUTE TO SHAKESPEARE

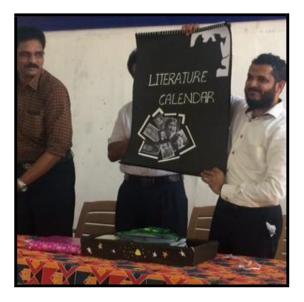
Shakespeare is probably the most famous playwright in the world, having written 37 plays and 154 sonnets. Shakespeare, the literary genius and magician with words is a treasure trove of verbal brilliance that has provided many expressions and nuggets of human wisdom still integral to the English language today. Although 400 years have passed since the literary genius penned his final work, his characters are still alive today as they were then, and continue to move audiences around the world. He wrote about timeless themes such as life and death, youth versus age, love and hate, fate and free will, to name but a few. With the constantly hanging world we live in today, these themes are perhaps more relevant.

The Department of English pays tribute to the greatest icons of literary history. To mark the 400th death anniversary of the literary giant, William Shakespeare, the Department of English unwrapped a write up about Shakespeare in the form of a magazine on 3<sup>rd</sup>March, 2016. With the help of teachers, IInd year B.A. English student, Miss. Divyashree Aravind had taken a great effort for the completion of the write up.



### **LITERATURE CALENDAR**

The Department of English has set a literary calendar that includes the writers' birthdays, deaths, publication dates of their memorable works and other important literary dates. The calendar enables the students to get connected with the writers and other important events. The idea of literary calendar was introduced by Mrs.Shyna Janardhanan, faculty member of English department.





### LITERARY EXHIBITION

The Department of English, SES College nourishes the creative and literary talents of its student community through all possible ways. On 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016, the department organised an amazing literary exhibition to showcase the creative competencies of its students. The main attraction of the exhibition was the sound tree, on which the forty four sounds of English language were displayed along with corresponding words which make learning of phonetics a bit more interesting. The exhibition displayed the manuscript magazines done by different departments as part of the Eco Manuscript Magazine competition along with so many other creative ventures of the students of the other departments. The entire attempt was appreciated wholeheartedly by each and every one of the college.







