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TO HELP
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VISION

To guide, lead and empower the poor youth with a positive attitude, skills and knowledge, with a value system for a joyful career and a meaningful life.

MISSION

Don Bosco Vazhikaatti is committed to create and enable an optimistic learning environment for the poor youth.

They are given the requisite positive attitude, skills and knowledge to mould their character and make them productive and responsible citizens, thus helping them to pursue a career of their choice in a dynamic, fast paced challenging world and help contribute towards a better society.

CORE VALUES

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- Integrity
- Innovation
- Inclusiveness



EDITOR'S DESK

Your life is yours to design...

Dear Readers,

Although it's an arbitrary practice to write the editorial at the very start of the magazine, it is also a good opportunity to take your back seat and rewind your life back for a moment.

If we need to improve the quality of our mission in future, it's definitely our priority and our prerogative to introspect whether the time behind our back was well spent or ill utilized. I hope the new season will bring more opportunities to expand our narrowed viewpoints and to shift our obscure paradigms.

I once heard a story about Alfred Nobel, the originator of the Nobel peace prize. When his brother died, Nobel got a copy of the newspaper to see what was said about his brother. The paper had confused him with his brother and the obituary he was reading was his own. His premature obituary elaborated the destruction he had brought into the world through Dynamite. Alfred Nobel was devastated. He wanted to be known as a man of "Peace." He quickly realized that he needs to change his life style in order to get the obituary rewritten. Today, I dare say Alfred Nobel is known for his contribution to peace rather than for any other thing he did in his life.

Ethical Leadership is leading by knowing and doing what is right. In view of preparing young generation for this ethical leadership, DBV has the first ever venture of coaching the students of 11th std. for the five consecutive years and we are so proud to conduct the residential camp for the fourth consecutive year coming April-May 2015.

As I conclude this message, I would like to restate the phrase with which I started this editorial: Your life is yours to design...

Despite what paradoxical conditions life has to offer yet I think it's fantastic. It definitely calls each and every one of us to look inward and slowly embrace the will to change, change for the BETTER. And I believe each one of us can bring about the change we long for.

As always, your suggestions are welcome and you can write to me at

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I thank all those who contributed to our Initiatives and helped us along our journey which is never ending.

Happy Reading!!!



**IT'S GREAT TO
START BUT WE
NEED TO START
TO BE GREAT!**

Fr. Joseph Leo SDB
Director



CAREER GUIDANCE IGNITING YOUNG MINDS TO DREAM BIG

Catch them young!!!

With information overloaded on the internet, choosing a career is many time confusing to not only students, but to the parents as well. DBV seized this opportunity to target 10th & 12th STD students in showing the direction which they could follow in 'going beyond the classroom and getting closer to their Aspirations'.

So during September 2014 to February 2015 DBV addressed a total of 204 schools comprising Salesian Schools, Government/ Corporation Schools and Private Schools and addressed 30,965 Beneficiaries.

It's not only the number of Beneficiaries that are important, but it is the genuine commitment to reach out towards this cause that makes the difference. DBV just did that.

September 2014 to February 2015

S.No	Center Name	No. of Schools	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Chennai	36	6663
2	Dharmapuri	32	3254
3	Thiruvannamalai	68	8519
4	Vellore	02	617
5	Puducherry	42	7370
6	Chengleput	10	1954
7	Erode	14	2588
TOTAL		204	30965

Total No. of Govt. Schools: 185 Schools

Total No. of Private Schools: 19 Schools



St. Bede's School, Santhome, Chennai



Lourdhu Annai School, Gingee



Chennai High School, Sharma Nagar, Chennai



VOC School, BB Road, Chennai



Govt Hr. Sec. Schools (Thazhuthali & Endiyur), Villupuram Dt.



CG Programme at St. Mary's Catholic High School, UAE (FUJAIRAH)

Love is always spontaneous and Success is never a permanent destination. DBV walks this talk. In November 2014 a special 3 day Teachers' Animation programme was held for CBSE Students on 7 steps for success, Learning styles, study methods and concentration techniques They were also assessed with professional career assessment tools with regard to Abilities & Aptitude. 135 students participated and DBV also reached out to 60 teachers with "REACH" program. Fr. Mathew Rajan, Vice Principal of St. Mary's School, UAE (Fujairah) arranged and coordinated this programme.



Career Guidance @ St. Mary's Catholic School, UAE



Teachers Animation @ St. Mary's Catholic School, UAE

WORKSHOP ON CAREER ASSESSMENT TOOLS

Just working hard is not as important as working Smart is the need of the hour. For this, updated knowledge and Skills is a requirement. A Workshop on Career Assessment Tools was held for 3 days at RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur for the Career Guidance Practitioners at the Sub Centres to enhance their skills in Career Guidance and meet the current challenges. (Thereafter DBV reached out to 145 schools in Chennai and the beneficiaries was 21357) 7 Staff from DBV were part of this Workshop.



Workshop at RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

SCHOOL MINISTRY REPORT(Kavarapettai)



On 30th Oct and 6th Nov 2014, Don Bosco Vazhikaatti along with Don Bosco Theological Centre (DBTC), Kavarapettai, had organized the seminar on 'Motivation and Career Guidance' with élan and éclat in the government schools at Thiruvallur District. It is remarkable to note that Don Bosco Vazhikaatti had reached out almost 14 government schools in Thiruvallur District, namely, Annuppampattu High School (Co Ed), Naapalayam High School (Co Ed), Thervai High School (Co Ed) Puzhal H.S.School (Co Ed), Thiruninravur H.S.School (Co Ed), Gummidipoondi Hr Sec School, PNECP Kamarajar Matric Hr Sec School, Ponneri Boys Hr Sec School, Velliyur H.S.School (Co Ed), Paadiyanallur Hr Sec School. We have catered to almost 1200 students. The topics dealt with the students were self-confidence, motivation, method of study, values, goal settings, etc.

It was indeed a good experience for the second year students of theology to animate the students in order to help them to realize the value of education. The response of the students in all the schools wonderful, we could see the real longing in them for their growth and future life. All the students were very appreciative of the Seminar for its meticulous planning and creditable execution. Thanks to the organizers, all had inspiring and illumining days to remember in the history Don Bosco Vazhikaatti. Most of the students are very poor and there should be a constant touch with the students to make them grow integrally. Many students as well as the teachers want our brothers back to the schools to motivate them in a correct way. The students asked for the phone numbers of the Vazhikaatti to have a contact for their betterment. The interest shown by the students was something noteworthy. It was a good exposure for all students. We could also find that most of the students are in the face book.

An event like this cannot happen overnight. It requires a lot of planning and guidance. We have been fortunate enough to be guided by Fr. Joseph Jeyaraj, SDB, the Rector of Don Bosco Theological Centre, Kavarapettai, Fr. Joseph Leo, SDB, the Director of Don Bosco Vazhikaatti and Fr. Andrews Stephen, SDB, the Co-director of Don Bosco Vazhikaatti. We are extremely grateful to them for their support, encouragement and hour-to-hour guidance.

TRAINING

EMPOWERING YOUNG LIVES



Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur

I. A Training Programme in Soft skills addressing Communicative English was conducted at Annai Velankanni Polytechnic College, Panruti, for the II year students for 3 days in December 2014. They were trained in Assertiveness, Person Skills, Attitudinal Skills and Interpersonal Skills. Being life skills that pervade every area of our life, DBV empowered 404 students of this College. It was a mixed group from from DME, DEEE, DCSE, DCIVIL & DECE Branch participated.



Annai Velankanni Polytechnic College, Panruti

II. Another Soft skills training on Communicative English was held for 5 days in November 2014 at Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur. The target audience was I year MBA Students with a reach of 60 students. Being a life skill, Communication has been given a lot of importance in the world today. It was based on LRSW. Good Communication Skills give confidence for not only Students but even Adults in all walks of life.

JOB ORIENTATION / PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

A journey of Self Discovery and Confidence are the foundation of your Personality Development. To create this awareness and develop healthy Personality, a day of training Programme was held at DBV SMART Centre, Broadway and at Dominic Savio Hr. Sec. School, Tirupattur for NSS students.

Dominic Savio Hr. Sec. School, Tirupattur (NSS Team)



TEACHERS ANIMATION

On 9th December 2014, DBV pursued another innovative opportunity to engage 39 Teachers of Don Bosco Matriculation Hr. Sec. School, Egmore, through the Teachers' Animation Programme. Traditional teaching methods are now replaced by Creativity and Innovation. Coupled with this, Technology is equally pervading all aspects of life with quick fix Solutions depriving the young minds of thinking and assimilating knowledge. So various educational tools and best practices were shared to enable Teachers to engage the Students and help them experience learning is fun.

PARENTING SKILLS PROGRAMME

Today, Parenting has become a 'skill' in life and it has become necessary in life to meet the day to day challenges. The generation gap is widening and many Parents find it hard to bridge this gap. DBV rose up to this challenge and organized this Programme in September 2014 in which 634 Parents participated. Contemporary issues were discussed to help parents cope.



**Don Bosco Matriculation School,
Wisdom Town, Red Hills, Chennai**

A DAY SPENT AT MAHABALIPURAM – DB TECH, PERAMBUR

To enjoy a day away from the classroom and experience new environments, an outing to Mahabalipuram was organized for BPO and Retail trainees on 31st October 2014.

Center Head, Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, wished and instructed everyone to enjoy the day safely. Students visited the private beach resort near Kovalam and Mahabalipuram. The arrangements were made by the trainers. It was a wonderful rejuvenating experience for students.



GUEST LECTURE ON PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS CONDUCTED AT DB TECH, PERAMBUR



DB TECH, Perambur

A guest lecture on personality development and communication skills was organized for BPO and Retail domain trainees at DB Tech, Perambur on 30th October 2014. Ms. Mercy, Senior Councilor, Madras Christian Council for Social Services was invited to render the lecture. She was welcomed and introduced to the trainees by the centre staffs.

Ms. Mercy started the session with some ice breakers. She expressed her joy to meet DB Tech students once again. She asked the trainees to share their views about the importance of self knowing since they are all aspiring for a better career. "If you don't know who you are or what you want, how can you set goals, go about life and have relationship" she asked. "Understanding your strength, weaknesses, moods and reactions, responses to what is happening around you, examining how we interact with others and also observing how the environment affects you will help to live more productively", she added.

She also explained how to overcome one's weakness. She also shared ways to enhance communication skills and to avoid communication barriers. During the session, she conducted some activities and asked the students to reflect their understanding in the chart. The session was informative and useful. It was concluded with the vote of thanks by Mrs. Sindhu, Facilitator.

GUEST LECTURE ON IMPORTANCE OF DEVELOPING COMMUNICATION ORGANIZED AT DB TECH, PERAMBUR, TAMILNADU.



Fr. Lourdu Bhakiaraj, Director, Don Bosco Nest, Tiruppur, visited the center on 6th February, 2015.

Fr. Lourdu Bhakiaraj, gave a brief introduction about Don Bosco Nest and its mission. Don Bosco Nest also concentrates and works for the development of youth. They give training to enhance the employability skills and job opportunities. They create self employment opportunities. He appreciated DB Tech for their excellent infrastructure and curriculum to train the candidates.

He said that developing communication skills begins with simple interactions among friends or like minded and also communication skills can be practiced everyday in settings that range from the social to the professional.

His speech was quite energizing and encouraging for the students.

DB TECH NATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Don Bosco Tech Chennai is implementing National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) programme in 5 centres(i.e.)

- Don Bosco Mission – Dharmapuri,
- Don Bosco Vazhikaatti –Thalavadi,
- Don Bosco SAGAI – Bagalur,
- Bosco Info Tech –Yelalgiri and
- St. Joseph ITC – Basin Bridge.

Through this, short term courses are offered for the youth in Computers, Tailoring, Printing, Mushroom cultivation, Communicative English, Q.Mata, English & Tamil Typing, Multi Media, Dot.Net, Java, CNC & VMC Training. Don Bosco Vazhikaatti Centre – Thalavadi completed its first batch of training in Computers and Tailoring and awarded certificates for 22 successful candidates.



Don Bosco Vazhikaatti Centre – Thalavadi



DB TECH BOSCO BRAINER 2015

The bicentenary birth of St. John Bosco and grand opening of DB Tech's new facility "Don Bosco Skill Mission" in Bangalore.

DB Tech National Office conducted a quiz on St. John Bosco – "Bosco Brainer" for the trainers across India at the twin celebration.

Team "DB Tech Tamilnadu" reaped a remarkable triumph. Mr. Dilip, CE Trainer, Perambur DB Tech, won the prize for sending the first entry. Mr. Anthony Cruz and Mr. Victor Paul, Facilitators from Tirupathur DB Tech won the prize for sending 99 correct answers.

SMART GUEST LECTURE

A ROAD LESS TRAVELLED....

The Hospitality Industry is growing in leaps and bounds, but pursuing this as a career is still a speculation. DBV saw this as an opportunity to create this awareness. In December 2014, DBV invited Mr. Shankar Anand, Rooms Division Manager in Phoenix Market City Chennai, to give a Guest Lecture. He narrated the early nascent stage how he made an option for this industry and pursued it despite all odds and today he stands tall as a Manager. He motivated the Students that one should follow 'their Passion', do the job well and be committed and look at as many opportunities while choosing a career. His inputs on the Hospitality Industry were very interesting which resulted in meaningful interaction.



SMART CENTRE, BROADWAY

SUCCESS STORIES

A Story of Looking around and Grabbing an Opportunity is what we learn from Ms. Suganya. After her 10th Standard, she worked as a Sales Assistant though at a low salary. But she later moved on to our DBV SMART Centre in the hospitality stream. With a training period of just 3 months, she was able to get another job as a Sales Executive with not only a higher salary but with incentives as well. She not only excelled, but she proved her Caliber.



Ms. Suganya.



Ms. Chandralekha

Handholding and empowerment by DBV SMART Centre worked wonders with Ms. Chandralekha. Though a B.Com graduate, the confidence to speak in English was lacking. At DBV SMART Centre, she was trained in Tally ERP.9 stream and Yuva English apart from other related Programmes. After a period of 3 months, she proved herself and got a job in Shipping Company as an Accountant with a good salary and perks.

Gopinath says "Life skills, Personality Development and work readiness shaped me. Punctuality is the most important Habit....." He goes on to acknowledge that DBV SMART fills every youth with courage and knowledge. SMART Centre treated him as family." This says it all. Attitude with Gratitude and how a Sense of Belonging can transform a person. He works with TCS with a good salary.



Gopinath

DBV JOB FAIR 2014

Lourdes Shrine Campus | 08.11.2014



With reverence and respect to the Bicentenary of the birth of Don Bosco a Job Fair was conducted by DBV Vazhikaatti. DBV reached out to 2050 candidate and 30 reputed Companies. Around 370 candidates were given Offer Letters on the spot. The first Volume of the Quarterly Magazine of DBV – Career Plus was also released.

CAMPUS RECRUITMENT DRIVE 2015

at Dharmapuri, Don Bosco Arts and science Graduates & Post Graduates

Don Bosco Vazhikaatti (DBV), Chennai, organized Job Fair on 14th Feb 2015 at Don Bosco College, Dharmapuri. Over 1000 candidates participated in the fair and offer letters were issued on the spot. More than twenty reputed companies such as Med Plus Health Solution Pvt. Ltd., HGS, MRF, Mahindra Finance, National Guardian, Apollo Hospitals Enterprises Ltd. and others participated in the drive.

Fr. Joseph Leo the director of Don Bosco Vazhikaatti welcomed the gathering and explained the process of Job Fair to the candidates. Campus Recruitment Drive was inaugurated by Rev.Fr.Dr.A.Maria soosai, and Motivational speech was delivered by Rev. Fr. Dr. Siluvai Muthu. The selected candidates were given appointment letters on the same day by Rev.Fr.Dr. A.Siluvai Muthu, SDB., Principal, Rev.Fr.S.Daniel Ambrose.SDB., Vice Principal and Rev.Fr. Joseph Leo.SDB., Director of Vazhikaatti. The spontaneous comments of the beneficiaries and the participants were overwhelming.



CAREER VS JOB

Do you know the difference between a job and a Career? Many people believe that choosing a job and choosing a career are the same; however they're different. Job is something you agree to do for a payment regardless of the fact whether you enjoy doing it or not. Career is an exalted employment where you sink yourself wholly in the work environment and grow along with the organization with the feeling that you are an important member of the work force that promotes the welfare of that firm. In other words: a job is an employment in which you work to get paid with no interest in personal growth nor the growth of the organization while a career is the pursuit of a lifelong ambition or the general course of progression towards lifelong goals.

A job is defined as anything a person is expected or obliged to do; a piece of work, especially a specific task done as part of the routine of one's occupation or for an agreed price. Through a job, a person can earn to support her basic needs and family or friends. A job can also be viewed as a contract between the employer and the employee. In commercial enterprises, the

basic purpose of a job is to create profits for the employer, and the employee contributes labor to the enterprise, in return for payment of wages, or stock options etc.

"Career" is defined as an occupation or profession, especially one requiring special training, followed as one's lifework. A career is the pursuit of a lifelong ambition or the general course of progression towards lifelong goals. The keywords for choosing a career are one's dream, goal and passion in one's life for achievement.

A person who makes a career out of his job is always happy and contented and is eager to take on responsibilities beyond his call of duty. Career minded employees are always enthusiastic in their work environment and co-operate fully with their peers and superiors with the single minded purpose of achieving ever increasing profits to their company



- Fr. Joseph Leo SDB

Hand Writing COMPETITION

Handwriting is an old skill, but with the ' Mobile revolution', students are Texting messages so frequently that Handwriting is almost becoming redundant. Research shows that handwriting increases brain activity, hones fine motor skills and can also predict a child's academic success, and Memory. Keeping this in mind DBV & REYNOLDS jointly reached out to 205 participants in a handwriting Competition on the Theme "WRITETHE FUTURE". DBV strategically emphasized the need to write and also made the Students share what the Future holds for them as they see it.



OUR CLIENTS



COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

DON BOSCO VAZHKAATTI, PERAMBUR



14TH MARCH, 2015

DON BOSCO JOB FAIR @ SIGA Campus
for Technical Students

APRIL 2015
Education Fair

MAY 2015
IAS / IPS
Awareness camp



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