We are extremely delighted to bring out the third yearly Newsletter of APS. Education is not merely acquisition of facts but also of values which help us improve the different facets of mankind. It ensures that we leave the world a far better place than we found it. A pivotal role of education lies in shaping the personality of a child into a healthy mind and happy soul, who is not only equipped with 21st century skills and aptitude required for academic excellence but helping him face the challenges of life in a balanced and harmonious way. Therefore, the system of education should work as a catalyst in making each child a balanced human being having his core strengths embedded in the learning experiences emanating from our rich socio-cultural roots. In this constantly ever changing society the young minds are pitted with drastic changes in their environment. In these formative years they need a genial, tranquil and natural learning environment. The ambience of The ALWARDAS PUBLIC SCHOOL provides all these to the child. With the ever increasing demand of competitions, fast changing values, pressure of challenging career and increasing love for materialistic life it has become difficult for the individuals to maintain its prim values intact. We at ALWARDAS PUBLIC SCHOOL try to imbibe values of love, culture and knowledge through education that enables them to adjust and adapt to the emerging society of multicultural thoughts, beliefs and religions. It fosters them with the courage that kindles optimism and the willpower not to give up during adversities. The school where the quality matters the most we have tried to reflect the kaleidoscope of learning, adventures, creativities and positive approach of our young minds in this issue of INSIGHT. I hope this effort will serve as a stepping stone towards the many miles stones we have to cover in pursuit of excellence. My sincere thanks to all the parents and well wishers of the school for their valuable support and co-operation.

PRINCIPAL

CORRESPONDENT

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

35 YEARS OF ALWARDAS PUBLIC SCHOOL

BRITISH COUNCIL AWARD

APS has been recognized for outstanding development of international learning in the curriculum and was presented with British Council Award On 4th Dec'2014 at New Delhi.
A Summer Camp was organized from 27th April to 26th May. Activities such as spoken English, Karate, Art & Craft, Yoga and Sports such as Volley-ball, Basket ball were organized. “APS - Dancicle” - A 21 day dance training at APS was organized. All the dancers trained by international dance trainers later gave a public performance at the Port Kalavani Auditorium.

CELEBRATIONS

INDEPENDENCE DAY
On August 15th, 2014 Independence day was celebrated with a lot of patriotic fervor. The national flag was hoisted by the Chief Guest and students presented the March Past and various cultural programmes.

FOUNDER’S DAY
On 31st October, 2014 the birth anniversary of Sri Alwardas garu was observed as Founder’s Day. All the children assembled near the statue. Principal, Staff and Captains paid floral tributes.

CHILDREN’S DAY
Children’s Day was celebrated on 14th November. All the children were in their best clothes. Staff members conducted a special assembly for all the children with songs, dance and skits.

TEACHER’S DAY
The birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishna was celebrated on September 5th as Teacher’s day. Students of classes X and XII took the roles of teachers and conducted classes. Students also presented various cultural programmes to honour the teachers.

HORLICKS WIZ KID
City level competitions were conducted on 2nd August, 2014 by Horlicks Group at Port Kalavani Auditorium in which many of our students participated and won prizes. The children of APS stood 1st in the Group Dance Competition and won certificate and trophy for the school. The school was also awarded certificate for ‘Best Cheering School’. Jyothi Swaroop of Std.VI won 3rd prize in the art competition.
INVESTITURE OF SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Student leaders for the academic year 2014-15 were elected by the students of higher classes and finalized by a selection committee, comprising of Principal, Vice-Principal and senior teachers handling those classes considering their academic performance, sports, other activities and general attitude. Badges of honour were presented to the captains and vice-captains by Dr. S. Vijaya Ravindra, Correspondent of the school during investiture on 26th April, 2014.

RALLIES/AWARENESS PROGRAMMES/SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

A workshop was conducted in two stages on 23rd August and 6th September for students of classes IX to XII on “Adversity of emotional imbalance” and “innocence of law breaking” by eminent advocates of the city Mrs. K. Vedavalli and Mrs. Srilatha.

A special awareness programme on ‘Health & Hygiene’ was conducted for students of classes II to V by representatives from “Dettol Hand Wash”.

A seminar on “Be Motivated - Stay motivated” was conducted by Soft Skill trainer and freelance counselor, Mrs. Sirisha Ruth on 30th August, 2014.

A seminar was conducted on 8th October, 2014 by Ms. I-Chin Thomas from Singapore on the topic “In pursuit of happiness – Goal Setting”.

A financial education workshop on the importance of Savings was conducted on 27th November, 2014 by Prof. Sambasiva Rao from the Department of Commerce and Management Studies, Andhra University on behalf of SEBI.

On 16th September, 2014, the students of classes VIII and XI took out a rally on the Beach Road commemorating World Ozone Day. 3 students from class IX participated in the elocution competition conducted by ‘The Hindu’ on Ozone Day.

A rally was taken out by the high school students to create awareness on Swine Flu on 4th February, 2015.
PRE-PRIMARY INDOOR ACTIVITIES/
NURSERY - PRE PRIMARY I - PRE PRIMARY II

In order to make the classes more vibrant and joyful for the tiny tots and at the same time bring out the latent talents in the kids from the early age, we at APS conduct different activities for kids in the pre-primary level. These activities are done class wise and it helps the children to experience, experiment and excel.

GRADUATION DAY

On 21st March 2014, ‘Graduation Day’ was celebrated for pre primary children, as they complete their training during the formative years and step into class I. The grand function of the caping ceremony for our little pre scholars was highlighted by a cultural programme presented by the students of Nursery/PPI/PPII. Honorable Correspondent Dr. Mrs. S. Vijaya Ravindra addressed the audience.
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED AND WON ACCOLADES IN THE FOLLOWING COMPETITIONS

SILVERZONE OLYMPIAD OF MATHEMATICS
SILVERZONE OLYMPIAD OF SCIENCE
SILVERZONE OLYMPIAD OF ENGLISH
SILVERZONE OLYMPIAD OF COMPUTER
CAMLIN HANDWRITING
HINDI LETTER WRITING COMPETITION BY POSTAL UNION

WE COMMEND OUR YOUNG ACHIEVERS WHO PARTICIPATED AND WON PRIZES IN VARIOUS INTRA SCHOOL AND INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS IN SPORTS, CULTURAL AND SCHOLASTIC EVENTS IN THE YEAR 2014-15

MEDIA CLIPPINGS
SPORTS AND GAMES

We at APS believe in the all round development of a child. Good life comes from Good Health and physical activity is the key to good health. The school has excellent grounds for the children to take up any sport like volleyball, basketball, throwball, cricket etc. Coaching for various games and sports is provided within the curriculum and outside the curriculum from 3 p.m to 5 p.m.

OUR STAR PLAYERS

Harshavardhan of Std.VIII B
Played with the Singapore cricket team, was selected for the Mangalagiri Cricket Academy U-14 team, played the Junior League Cricket Tournament and the Divisional Cricket match in the winners team.

B.M.Vineeth of Std.VIII B
Played the Under-14 Junior League match.

B.M.Vamsi Krishna of Std.X
Played the under-16 Junior League match.

L.V.Srinivas of Std.XI
played with the Singapore team and for Under-16 District probables.

M.Lohit
Played with the Singapore team and under-14 District League match.

NCC

The NCC Cadets of the school participated in ATC camp held for 10 days at BHPV and the CATC camp held at Simhachalam for 10 days. NCC cadets and some of the APS children collected saplings from nurseries and planted them in the School campus and outside the compound wall. By participating in this event the children were able to understand the need of restoring the destroyed plant cover in the city of Visakhapatnam.
INTERACT CLUB

On 25th September 2014 an Interact club has been formed in the School in collaboration with the Rotary club of Visakhapatnam. The Main objective of the formation of this club is to make the children aware of the fact – ‘Think beyond one self’. Identify the needs in the society and reach out for the cause. Correspondent Dr. Mrs. S. Vijaya Ravindra, Executive officer Ms. Divya Das with Rotary club members were present and they gave away the badges to the newly inducted student members. Interact club office bearers collected a total sum of Rs. 8,000/- from classes IX to XII. Rice, dal, sugar and oil were purchased with the amount and handed over at an orphanage. Oranges were also distributed. Children had a first hand experience of going and helping others in need.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Christmas was celebrated on 23rd December, 2014 with a lot of joy and enthusiasm. Carol singing by the staff and students, manger presentation, beautifully choreographed dances, Santa distributing goodies to the children marked the programme.

SANKRANTHI CELEBRATIONS

Sankranthi festivities were celebrated on 9th January, 2015 with a lot of traditionalism. Rangoli competition for the girls and kite flying competition for the boys were conducted. Children were shown how the festival is celebrated in the rural areas with various skits, dances and mono actions.

FAREWELL

2014-15 batch of Class XII from ISC, X from ICSE and SSC were bid ADIEU by the Juniors.

LAST YEAR ACADEMIC TOPPERS

- XXXXX of Std VIII B
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APS Annual Day was celebrated on 7th Feb’2015 with lot of pomp and show. Mr.Somayajulu, Chief Advocate and President of Andhra Cricket Association was the Chief Guest. The function was also graced by Mr.Ravindra, Chairman, Alwardas Group, and other board members.

Prizes were given to the academic toppers of 2013-14 and to the winners in various games and sports conducted throughout the year. The event was marked with dances, dramas and songs presented by selected students from nursery to XII.

We take this opportunity to thank every parent for tremendous co-operation, every single child for enthusiastic participation and not to forget every single staff member for patient contribution. Hope next academic year also will be full of remarkable events and upward growth. With all good wishes.