

MOUNT CARMEL CENTRAL SCHOOL

“CARMEL UNVEILS”

EVERY MONTH: A NEW CHAPTER

JANUARY-2026

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The Student Council elections for the academic year 2026–27 were conducted on 14th January. The election process commenced with the submission of nominations by interested students for various posts. This was followed by an interview round held in the presence of the Principal, during which candidates were assessed on their leadership qualities, sense of responsibility, and commitment to the values of the institution.

Based on the interview outcomes, candidates were shortlisted and provided an opportunity to campaign by presenting their ideas and vision to the student body. The elections were subsequently conducted in a fair, systematic, and orderly manner, ensuring a transparent voting process. Students participated enthusiastically and elected their representatives through a democratic process.



OPEN HOUSE

The Open House for the academic year 2025–26 was organised on 9th January 2026. The programme commenced with an inaugural ceremony graced by the distinguished guests of the day — Dr. Sundaravalli, Dr. Lakshmi, and Dr. Stanley.

The Kinder section showcased class-wise student activities, while Grades 1 to 3 presented displays organised subject-wise. Students exhibited their learning through models, skits, role plays, singing, and poetry recitations in various languages. They also provided confident and articulate explanations of concepts from other subjects, reflecting their understanding and communication skills.

Students from Grades 4 to 10 presented subject-wise displays featuring a wide range of models and engaging activities such as skits, dances, role plays, storytelling sessions, games, and other subject-related demonstrations, which made the Open House a vibrant and enriching experience.

Adding further colour and creativity to the event were the impressive exhibits from Art and Craft, Computer Science, and Robotics. Special online quiz was conducted for the parents, they showed active participation and winners were given gifts. Students also conducted various enjoyable and academically relevant science experiments, which drew keen interest from parents.

Overall, the Open House was a grand success and was highly appreciated by parents, who expressed great satisfaction with the students' performances and learning outcomes.

ANNUAL PRIZE DAY

The Annual Prize Day for the academic year was organised in two phases. The prize distribution for students from Kinder to Grade 4 was held on 22nd January, while students from Grade 5 to Grade 10 were awarded prizes on 23rd January.

Medals and certificates were presented to winners of various group competitions conducted throughout the year, including the competitions organised under Kairos. Trophies and certificates were awarded to students for individual competitions in recognition of their outstanding performance.

In addition, special awards such as the Best Behaviour Award were conferred upon deserving students across all grades, highlighting the importance of discipline and values alongside academic and co-curricular excellence.

The prizes were distributed by the Principal, Sr. Annette, and the Correspondent, Sr. Petronilla, who congratulated the students and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence.



CAREER COUNCELLING

A Career Counselling Session was organised on 24th January for the parents and students of Grades 9 and 10 with the objective of creating awareness about the importance of making informed career choices. Experienced career counsellors from Educafé conducted the session and provided detailed insights into the various career options available to students. They also explained the criteria to be considered while selecting a suitable career path and highlighted the different assessment tools used to identify students' interests and aptitudes.

The session proved to be informative and beneficial, enabling both parents and students to gain a better understanding of the diverse career opportunities available and the process involved in choosing the right career.



REPUBLIC DAY

Republic Day was celebrated on 27th January in the school campus with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The programme began with a prayer, followed by a group song that evoked a deep sense of patriotism among the students.

The celebration was further enlivened by a colourful fancy dress performance by the Primary students, who came dressed as various national leaders. This was followed by an energetic patriotic dance presented by the High School students.

The programme concluded with an inspiring address by Sr. Annette, Principal, who highlighted the significance of Republic Day and its importance in shaping responsible citizens.



EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO VIDHANA SOUDHA

The students of Grades 8 to 10 were given a wonderful opportunity to visit the Karnataka State Parliament – Vidhana Soudha – on 27th January.

During the visit, the students, accompanied by their teachers, had the privilege of witnessing the Budget Session for about 20 minutes. It was an enriching experience as they observed the proceedings of the Assembly and listened to the representatives presenting their proposals and viewpoints to the Speaker.

The visit provided the students with valuable firsthand exposure to the functioning of the legislative system. Experiencing the grandeur and ambience of the Vidhana Soudha, along with observing the live session, made the learning experience both meaningful and memorable.



FOUNDRESS DAY

Foundress Day, commemorating the Birth Anniversary of our Foundress, Mother Teresa of St. Rose of Lima, is celebrated every year on 29th January. This year, marking her 168th Birth Anniversary, the day began with an elaborate prayer service.

The celebration continued with a meaningful musical presentation highlighting the life of the Foundress and her dedicated service to society. This was followed by a graceful dance performance portraying the virtues she stood for.

The programme concluded with an inspiring address by the Correspondent, Sr. Petronilla, whose uplifting words motivated and encouraged the students.



PRAYER SERVICE

The Prayer Service for Grade 10 was organised on 30th January with deep devotion and reverence. The service was a spiritually enriching experience, specially planned to seek God's blessings for the students as they prepare for their forthcoming academic responsibilities. Through this prayer service, the teachers invoked special blessings upon the students.

Prayers were offered for various intentions by the teachers and the Grade 9 students, creating an atmosphere of unity, faith, and support. The service was further enriched by a special blessing imparted by the Principal, Sr. Annette, who encouraged the students with her thoughtful presence and prayers.

As a meaningful gesture of love and encouragement, Sister presented each Grade 10 student with a pen and a bookmark, serving as a reminder of the school's constant support and prayers.



GRADUATION DAY

Graduation Day for Grade 10 was organised on 31st January with great solemnity and joy. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Ms. Vimala C. M., Assistant Professor and Former HOD of the Zoology Department, MCC. The programme was further graced by the presence of the Guests of Honour—Sr. Albina, Sr. Sajitha, Dr. George Lekha, Sr. Petronilla, and Sr. Annette.

The ceremony commenced with the proud Graduation March of the Grade 10 students, led by the Student Council, followed by the rest of the graduating students. This was followed by the rendition of the School Anthem, after which Sr. Annette, Principal, delivered the welcome address.

The ceremonial lighting of the lamp was carried out by the Chief Guest, Guests of Honour, teacher representatives, and student representatives, symbolising the dispelling of darkness and the spreading of knowledge. This was followed by the Chief Guest's address, in which she eloquently highlighted the vital role of students in society and the importance of parents and teachers in shaping students into responsible and value-based citizens.

The programme continued with the laying down of office by the former Student Council, marking the completion of their leadership journey. Thereafter, Sr. Annette, Principal, handed over the lighted lamps to the Grade 10 students as a symbolic gesture of carrying the light of knowledge, values, and responsibility into the world.

The students then took a solemn graduation pledge, followed by the distribution of certificates and mementoes. Several special awards were presented to deserving students, including 100% Attendance, Best Behaviour, Academic Excellence, Academic Improvement, Best Outgoing Catholic Student, and Best Outgoing Student awards.

Adding colour and emotion to the ceremony, the Grade 9 students presented a special dance performance, while the junior students rendered a heartfelt song for their seniors, beautifully reflecting the strong bond shared within the school community.

The Graduation Ceremony concluded with the vote of thanks, followed by a memorable photo session, marking a proud and emotional milestone in the lives of the graduating students.

