



**SFS PUBLIC SCHOOL  
& JUNIOR COLLEGE**  
Ettumanoor, Kottayam  
*Diffusing the Sweetness of Education...*



AT  
**SFS,**  
YOUR  
KIDS  
TAKE  
WINGS  
TO  
SOAR

**PROSPECTUS**



## Our Vision

A holistic society of compassionately human, spiritually enlightened, intellectually awakened, professionally skilled, socially committed and culturally integrated persons based on the values as lived and taught by Jesus Christ and followed by Saint Francis de Sales

## Our Mission

- ▶ To provide a conducive atmosphere for intellectual development
- ▶ To facilitate conviction-based spiritual formation,
- ▶ To nurture a sense of the Divine and transcendence,
- ▶ To instill the virtues of gentleness, compassion and optimism,
- ▶ To impart authentic leadership training,
- ▶ To instill wholesome professional ethics,
- ▶ To encourage sports, games and work experience,
- ▶ To inculcate healthy food habits,
- ▶ To promote environmental consciousness,
- ▶ To extend integral education to all
- ▶ To foster a caring and humane society meant to promote the marginalized,
- ▶ And thus equip the younger generation with the requisite life-skills to become

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CATALYSTS OF SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

▼  
VOTARIES OF NATIONAL INTEGRATION, and

▼  
AMBASSADORS OF UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.



# You're welcome to SFS!

The portals of SFS Public School & Junior College remain always open to welcome students and their families. If their quest is for quality education, they need go no further.

The sense of belonging that one experiences on our school campus is reassuring. SFS is a second home to all its students and staff alike. The family atmosphere that pervades its environs is a benediction of peace to everyone. Once you begin to relish its atmosphere and the spirit of Fransalian optimism that suffuses the campus, you will not leave the school for any other!

Love is the basis of the Fransalian formula for success in education. "Everything out of love; nothing out of compulsion," was the philosophy that motivated St Francis de Sales, the heavenly patron of this institution. Love conquers; compulsion deters.

Once you enroll your child at SFS, be assured he/she is in safe hands.

**Fr. Soby Thomas MSFS**  
(Principal)



SFS Public School & Junior College is dedicated to and functions under the heavenly patronage of St Francis de Sales (1567-1622), the Geneva-based educationist par excellence. The Missionaries of St Francis de Sales (MSFS) have been imparting education to the youth of India through 140 schools spread across the far corners of the country.

St Francis de Sales had a special interest in educating the youth of his time. He saw it as a means to nurture a cultured society.

The MSFS, founded by Fr Peter Marie Mermier, a zealous French priest, have been inspired by St Francis de Sales to establish educational institutions and to impart life skills for the integral development of society.



# The SFS saga of excellence...

SFS Public School & Junior College came on the scene in June 2003; since then it has been preparing students for the rat race of life in the fast lane. Much has changed in the last few years. Our basic educational principles, however, have not changed. To make a qualitative change in the lives of our students is what motivates the management and staff here.

The school boasts modern facilities to provide for a comprehensive curriculum suitable for all abilities and interests. Excellence is encouraged and valued. While academically gifted students are challenged to reach their full potential, all ability levels are catered for, supported and attended to.



# Management: The right place for a bright future...

When the first batch of MSFS missionaries arrived in India in the 18th century, they focused attention on the training of youth power through schools and technical institutes. Schools have become the mainstay of their ministry to the people in every place. Ettumanoor is no exception.

There is a committed team of efficient young priests led by School Principal Rev Fr Soby Thomas, ably assisted by Vice Principal Rev Fr Mijo Kulamkuthiyil, and School Administrator Rev Fr George Vattappara, who look after the day-to-day management of the school. Rev Fr Jose Parappillil oversees the entire operation as the School Manager.

The school is headed for happier, sunnier days, thanks to the technological advances of our time. As the Bible says, Train up a child the way he should go, and even when he is old, he won't stray from it (Prov. 22:6).



## Our Objectives: Learning should be fun!

A sound mind in a sound body has been the eternal quest of every seeker of the elixir of life. Here at SFS, learning is never seen as a burden on the students' psyche. We teach the fun way of learning, particularly in the lower classes.

No doubt, technology has made life complex for everyone these days. It calls for new perceptions and adjustments to the environment. Pupils are trained to make necessary adjustments smoothly and effortlessly.





# The Academic Program:

Kindergarten is the first step in the journey of education for young children. Here learning happens through listening, repetition, picture reading, imitation and expression.

The Pre-KG and KG kids have an easy time absorbing their lessons through the effortless learn-by-doing way; however, students in the higher classes have to follow a rigidly structured syllabus as prescribed by the Education Department/CBSE. The syllabus for the primary section (Classes I-V) includes such diverse subjects as the three languages, Mathematics, environmental studies, social science, work experience, art education and physical education.

At the upper primary level (Classes VI-VIII), the subjects taught are no different from the LP syllabus, albeit at a higher level of treatment. At the secondary level (Classes IX-X), while English is mandatory, the second language can be either Malayalam or Hindi.

The senior secondary students (Classes XI-XII) have the option to choose between science and commerce streams. The science streams are the following: (1) English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology. (2) English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Computer Science. (3) English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Computer Science.

The Commerce stream comprises (1) English, Business Studies, Accountancy, Computer Science and Economics; (2) English, Business Studies, Accountancy, Mathematics and Economics; (3) English, Business Studies, Accountancy, Economics and Physical Education.





## Laboratories: Learning by doing...

The school has well-equipped, functional laboratories for physics, chemistry and biology to conduct experiments, demonstrations and project works. Students are encouraged to undertake projects and experiments on their own under the teachers' supervision.

Trained instructors demonstrate to the students how to meet future challenges in the field of information technology. Students develop the capability to analyze future advances and to enhance creativity.







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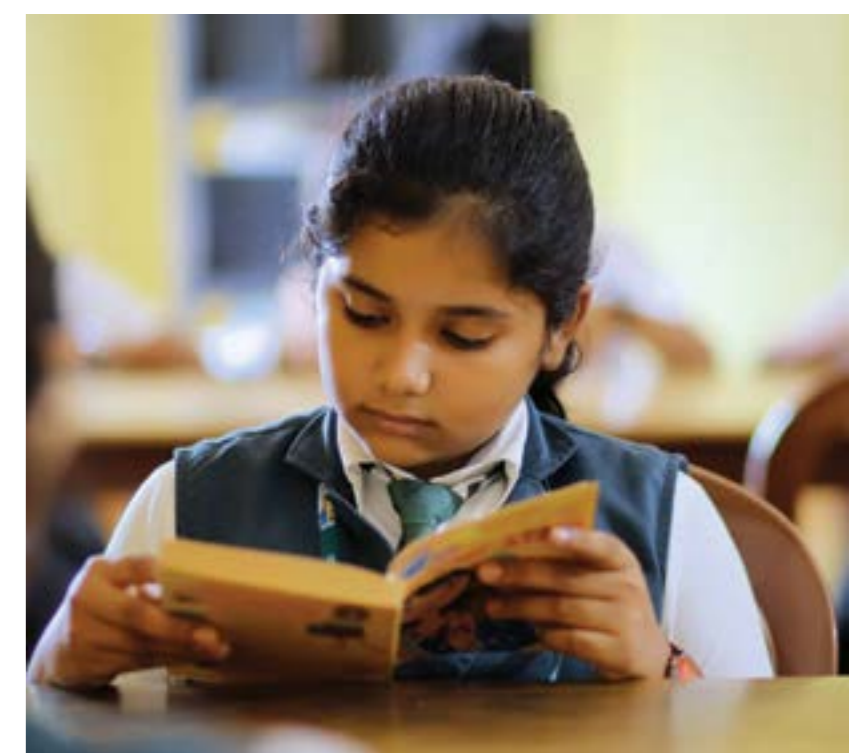
## Queuing at the Hall of Fame!

There is discipline in every move... The disciplined look that enfolds the entire school in the mega assembly hall...



## Library: A treasure-trove of information...

The library system at the school allows access for the students to every branch of knowledge today. Specialist titles and general books are available to the avid reader. Additionally, a number of leading newspapers, journals, weeklies and fortnightlies help update students' knowledge of happenings around the world 24x7.





## Leadership trainees:

Leadership training at SFS starts at a young age



## Making an impact: A School with a Difference...

To create educational experiences that will influence the all-round development of students so as to keep them on the straight and narrow path amid the turbulence of life has been our aim. Therefore, the projects we plan and carry out in the academic year are all directed to the attainment of this target. Academic success alone does not warrant the attainment of our aim, although, admittedly, it has a vital role. But we keep looking beyond the academic horizons.

Imbued with moral values and resurgent with new energy, our students learn the ropes of practical living under the supervision of their teachers. They know how education of the heart is the heart of education, as advocated by Fr Mermier, the MSFS Founder. This philosophy underlies all programmes at SFS, and that's why it is a School with a Difference.





# Physical Education: nurturing the sporting spirit...

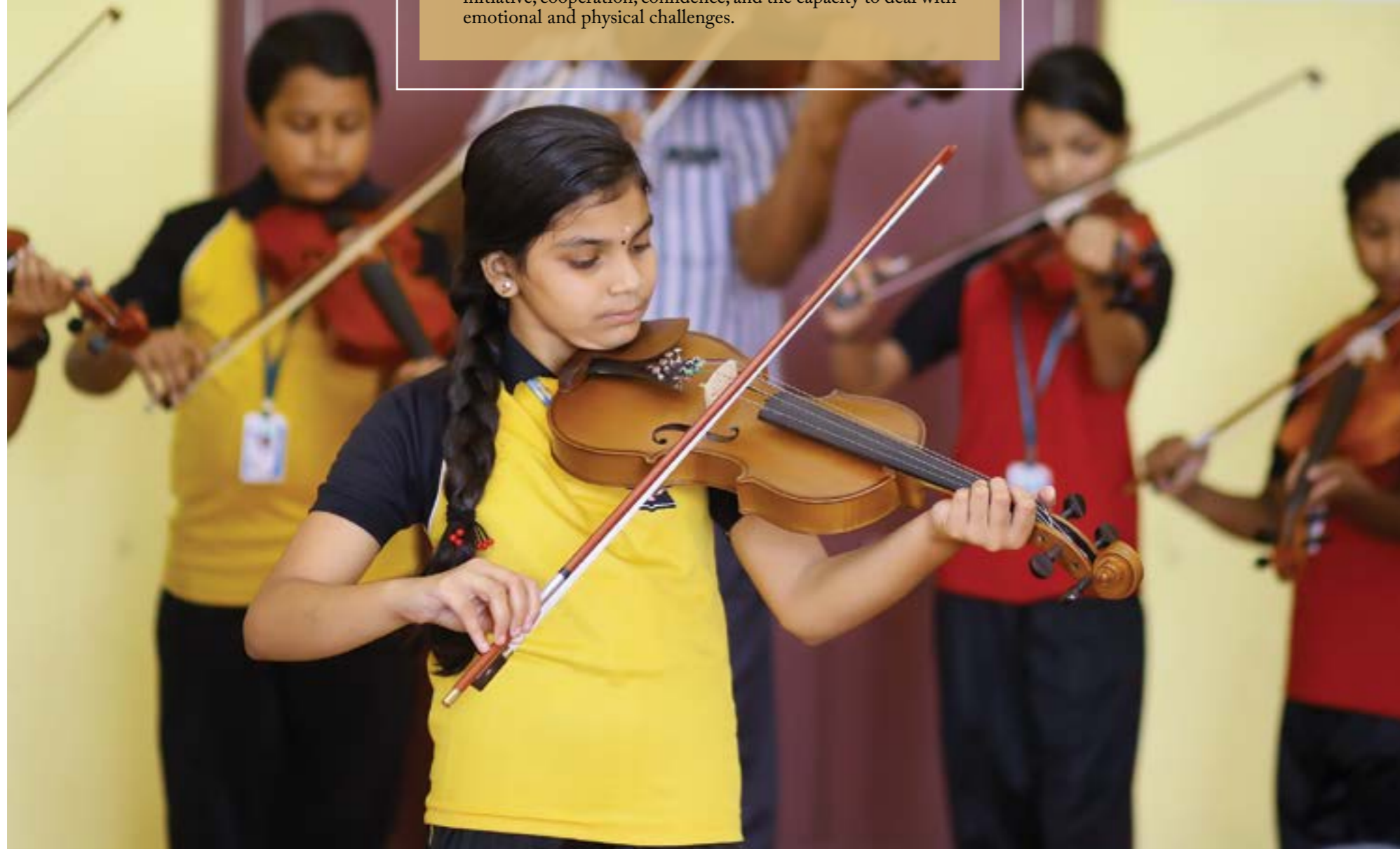
Well-maintained playgrounds for sports and games like football, basketball, badminton and cricket are provided to develop sporting skills and general fitness.

While the thrill of competition and victory is an important part of any sport, our primary goal is to encourage participation, to accept victory and loss with equanimity, to maintain a life-long interest in physical fitness, to develop skills and to take pride in having done one's best.



# Co-curricular Activities: The extra dimensions of learning...

Soaring out of the boundaries set by the academic curriculum, co-curricular activities provide the platform for the expression and expansion of students' inborn talents. Here what spurs the participants is not the fear of failure in examinations but the inner drive to identify and excel in one's God-given talents and skills. Activities like drama, dance, debates, public speaking and tournaments of various kinds are open to SFS students at every turn. These, displayed through performances, competitions and exhibitions, promote qualities of self-reliance, initiative, cooperation, confidence, and the capacity to deal with emotional and physical challenges.





## Counseling is consoling:

The stresses and strains of daily living can become counterproductive in the long run. The pressure to perform and to excel can prove stressful and drive students to the brink of despair.

Therefore, counseling is a core service provided at the school with utmost care, love, and concern. The aim is to assist students with personal, academic or social concerns by providing counseling outreach and consultation services.

Although unheard-of career options are available to students, a large number of them stumble through life, not knowing what they are best at. The school counselors use aptitude tests and a series of other methods to help students select appropriate careers



## Community Service: Service to man is service to God

SFS School focuses on and practices activities that promote society's welfare. These programs generate awareness among the students and help build an attitude of selfless service to fellowmen. Several projects of social relevance are planned and carried out in the course of the academic year.



## Parental participation: Help your children's ideas soar...

Students perform better at school when parents show personal interest in their welfare and appreciate their achievements. Parental involvement in the school's programs is important at all times.

It is the parental input that generates the appropriate output in the children.



## Admission: The Fransalian Tutelage...

Applications for admission to pre-KG, KG, and all classes are accepted from October for the ensuing academic year. These are processed without delay and admission granted depending on the availability of seats. Transfer Certificate is mandatory to secure admission in higher classes.



## Uniform: Apparel makes the man...

Pre-KG and KG	Monday, Wednesday and Friday	Boys	Bluish grey check shirt and bluish grey shorts; black shoes and coal grey socks
		Girls	Bluish grey pinafores; black shoes and coal grey socks.
	Tuesday and Thursday	Boys	Olive green check shirt and olive green shorts; black shoes and beige socks.
		Girls	Olive green pinafores; black shoes and beige socks.
Classes I-IV	Monday and Wednesday	Boys	Check shirts and beige colour shorts.
		Girls	Check shirts and beige colour skirts and pinafores
Classes V-VII	Monday and Wednesday	Boys	Check shirts and beige colour trousers
		Girls	Check shirts and beige colour skirts and blazers.
Classes VIII-X	Monday and Wednesday	Boys	Check shirts and beige colour trousers
		Girls	Check shirts, beige colour trousers and blazers.
Classes I-X	Tuesday and Thursday	Boys & Girls	Olive green trousers and cream shirt
		Girls:	Olive green pinafores, skirts/trousers, cream shirt
Classes XI-XII	Monday through Thursday	Boys & Girls	Check shirt, coal grey trousers. Additionally, girls shall wear coal grey blazers.
Classes I-XII	Friday	Boys & Girls	House-coloured T-shirts, black tracksuits, white canvas shoes.



## Hostel Facilities:

Boys' hostel on the school campus and girls' residence at Pope John Paul II Women's Hostel cater to students from afar...







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