



**ANNAMMAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION FOR WOMEN,
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**Report of the Special Lecture on “Teaching prose and poetry to school children
using technology like ipads tabs’**

28-09-2016

The English Club organized a Content Enrichment Programme for first and second year English optional students. A special lecture was given by our Alumna, Mrs.V.MariaSornaSeritta, B.T.Assistant, Sayalkudi Government Hr.Sec.School on ‘Teaching prose and poetry to school children using technology like Ipads& Tabs’ on 28.09.16. Technology can bring changes that are so swift and technology can take the teaching and learning process to the other level. There are varieties of Apps to learn prose and poetry online.

Few Apps such as Poetry Foundation, Poetry Daily and Poetry Everywhere were shown to the trainees to know about the Apps available to use iPad and Tab in learning and writing poetry. The speaker pointed out that when we show animations and graphics when teaching poetry students will be motivated to watch the same and they will feel excited and learning happens automatically.

The speaker demonstrated the poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening with a Tab and helped the student trainees to understand how they can use the devices in second language classroom.



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Report on the Special Lecture on “Methods of English Language Teaching”

20-10-2016

Mrs. Vijaya Sujatha Nageshwari, Alumna of our college, B.T. Assistant, Government Higher Secondary School, Pillayarnatham gave a special lecture to our students on Methods of English Language Teaching on 20.10.16. The speaker explicitly explained communicative language teaching which emphasizes the ability to communicate in real life situations where students understand conventional formulas which they can use in their everyday life. When teachers use a method or a technique they must consider the individual students' independence and ability.

In Inquiry-Based learning students question, solve problems and the teacher has to be a facilitator. The speaker pointed out that teachers are to follow eclectic approach which is the combination of more methods and techniques. They have to choose appropriate techniques and activities for a particular genre and for a specific set of students. She says that there is no single way to teach the language and a combination works out well.

Language skills are to be taught across the curriculum. Language skills are to be integrated and we can't teach individual skills in isolation. Vocabulary should be taught in connection with their context. Students are to be moved from receptive to productive language fluency. The speaker has demonstrated the poem Apology from standard IX English reader and used the eclectic approach to teach the poem. Thus the trainees understood the recent methods of teaching English.



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Special Talk on “Celebrate your Examinations” and “Importance of Library in Teaching Career”

14-11-2016

The Psychology Club of our college was inaugurated by Dr.K.Vinitha, Librarian, St.Mary's College, Thoothukudi on 14.11.16. She spoke on the topic Celebrate your Examinations. Exams and festivals like Diwali, Christmas and Ramzan are the same. They come every year and they bring happiness. For the festivals we start preparing a month before. We give importance to each and every part of the festival. In the same way for an exam we have to prepare a month before having in mind the various areas to be concentrated. If we prepare for exams with joy the end result is happiness. If you bring good results everyone around you will enjoy with it. Learners must train their mind to accept examinations in a positive sense.

You have to maintain a healthy life style to be positive. Eat healthy food and do some simple exercises every day. You must work hard for an exam at the same time you should also get good sleep. Accurate information about the exam centre, time and guidelines will reduce stress.

Avoid cramming on the previous day. Stress your study time for the whole year. You must practice few memory techniques also. Take 30-second mini-breaks at specified points during the exam as a relaxation strategy such as closing your eyes, relaxing your hands, and breathing deeply. This will enhance your energy level and your focus will get increased. The speaker gave such tips and helped the student trainees to accept examinations in a normal way and the organizers felt that the knowledge students have gained through this special lecture will help them to prepare for their exams. She also stressed the importance of Library usage for professional development of teachers.



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Special Talk on “Handling Children Psychologically”

07-03-2016

The International Women's Day was celebrated in collaboration with ICDS, Thoothukudi and JCI, Thoothukudi on 7/3/2016. The program was headed by the college Principal Dr. A. Joycilin Shermila and the project chairman Juanna Goldie. The resource person of the program was Dr. V. Angala Thangeshwari, consultant psychiatrist, Women Mental Health counsellor, Thoothukudi who delivered the guest lecture on 'Handling Children's Psychologically'. The session was very interactive and useful to Anganwadi workers who are directly involved in dealing with pre-primary children. First year B.Ed. students participated in the program.



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National Conference on “The Whole Earth”

14-02-2017

In the face of climate change, all countries are “developing countries” needing to develop new ways of growing food, manufacturing, moving around and generally prospering. Hence, this exhibition prompts to think about climate change and its impacts on human and non-human life. They offer invaluable insights into not only why we should act, but also how we might do so. As such they are a fantastic resource for learning about climate change, and designing responses to it. A Seminar on ‘Whole Earth’ was organized on 14.02.2017 in collaboration with the Department of Botany, Kamaraj College and Hard Rain Project, UK. Mr. Asylum, Head, Department of Biotechnology Manonmaniam Sundaranar University presided the programme. Dr. Mr. Sudhakar Sivasubramaniam addressed on the topic of "Let's Save the Earth". Mr.Venkatraman Kumar Former Head of the Department of Botany WCC, College spoke on Marine Pollution. Students, research scholars and trainee teachers from various college professors participated and presented their research papers.



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**A National Workshop on 'Academic Writing' was organized by ELTAI, India in
collaboration with ELTAI Thoothukudi Chapter**

07-01-2016 and 08-01-2016

English Language Teachers' Association of India has organized a two days National Workshop on 'Academic Writing' at Annammal College of Education for Women. The workshop aimed to promote the academic writing of the participants involved in reporting a research in the form of a paper, article or thesis. 22 delegates from Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh participated in the workshop.

The inauguration of the workshop was organized on 07/01/17 at 10.00 a.m. Dr. A. Joycilin Shermila, Principal of the college and Convener of ELTAI Thoothukudi Chapter welcomed the gathering. Mr. D. Ganesan, Secretary of the college delivered the inaugural address. Dr. K. Elango National Secretary, ELTAI gave an introduction to the workshop. Mrs. A. Vinothini Sylvia, Assistant Professor of the college proposed the vote of thanks.

The inauguration was followed by the session on 'Journal Article Writing' by Dr. Elango. The key themes covered during the session are as follows:

1. What is research writing?
2. The status of research in India
3. Thesis nailing ceremony in Sweden
4. Structure of the research paper
5. Criteria for choosing a journal

The delegates were given two research papers and asked to analyse their quality. The observations made during the exercise helped the delegates understand the quality parameters for a good research article.

The afternoon session on 'Writing Research Reports' was handled by Dr. C. A. Lal, Institute of Distance Education, University of Kerala. The areas covered during the session were:

1. Features of academic English
2. Academic language styles
3. Documentation styles

Dr.Lal provided examples for choice of words, grammar, signposting and hedging and pointed out common errors in academic English. The delegates were given small tasks to be done in groups to understand academic language styles. The groups were finally asked to present a summary of the discussion in a chart.

The second day of the workshop began with the session on 'Project Proposal Writing' Dr. Revathi Viswanathan, Head of the Department of English, B.S.A, Chennai. Dr. Revathi elaborated on the following topics:

1. Need for writing a proposal
2. Kinds of proposal for projects
3. Format for proposal writing
4. Funding agencies for projects
5. Project for book publishing

The delegates were divided into groups from a list and asked to draft a proposal for it. The draft covered aspects like objectives, central idea, Methodology, budget timeframe and outcomes acquainted with the process of proposal writing.

The last session of the workshop on 'Making Conference Presentation'. Dr. P.N. Ramani, ELT Consultant and National Joint Secretary, ELTAI. The areas covered during the session were:

1. Preparing for a conference presentation
2. Delivering a conference presentation
3. Responding to comments and questions
4. Preparing for oral presentations
5. Structure of an oral presentation
6. Checklists for presentation

Dr.Ramani presented visual tips for successful conference and oral presentations. Four delegates presented their feedback on the workshop. Dr. A. Joycilin Shermila thanked the delegates and resource persons. The workshop came to an end with a group photosession. The workshop sparked the research spirit of the delegates and prepared them adequately to embark on the journey of academic writing.