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FAREWELL OF REV. FR. VINCENT XALXO

“Farewell is not the end of a chapter, but the turning of a page to a new one.”

This sentiment resonated deeply within the walls of our school as we gathered to bid a heartfelt farewell to Rev. Fr. Vincent Xalxo, our esteemed Rector and Parish Priest on 7th April. The programme was a touching tribute marked by inspiring addresses, soulful musical performances, graceful dances, expressions of gratitude from teachers and students alike, and, of course, the lyrical and poetic address by Fr. Vincent himself.

Through his unwavering faith, compassionate leadership, and selfless service, he has left an indelible imprint on us all. While his departure fills our hearts

with nostalgia, we extend our sincerest wishes to him for success and fulfilment in the journey ahead.



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10B**

WELCOMING CEREMONY OF THE NEW PARISH PRIEST

On 20th April, our school welcomed the new Parish Priest of St. Joseph’s Co-Cathedral Church, Panbazar, Rev. Fr. Thomas Lakra. It was a memorable and joyous occasion as our school organized a welcoming ceremony for the newest member of our parish family.

The programme was graced by the presence of our respected Principal Rev. Fr. Dr. Alex Mathew, the new Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Thomas Lakra, Vice Principal Rev. Fr. Bromio C. H. Marak and Academic Coordinator Ma’am Mollika Sharma. The day began with a prayer service, seeking the blessings of the Almighty. This was followed by a welcome song presented by the students of the Primary



section under the guidance of Sir Papu Gohain. Our respected principal, Rev. Fr. Dr. Alex Mathew, then addressed the gathering and extended a warm welcome to the new Parish Priest. A graceful dance performance by the students expressed our happiness and gratitude at having him

among us. In his address, Rev. Fr. Thomas Lakra inspired the teachers and Bosconians with his encouraging words and vision for the future.

The event concluded on a positive note with the Vote of Thanks delivered by the Vice Principal, Rev. Fr. Bromio C.H. Marak.

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INVESTITURE CEREMONY



The academic session 2026–27 was inaugurated on 22nd April with a prayer, guided meditation, and an inspiring address by the Principal, who encouraged students to uphold the values of discipline, honesty, and perseverance. Distinguished guests were welcomed, and the chief guest highlighted the importance of civic responsibility and resilience.

A key highlight of the event was the investiture of house prefects, who took an



oath to serve with integrity and lead by example. The following day, badges were distributed to class monitors, vice-monitors, and class house captains, reinforcing the spirit of responsibility and service. The ceremonies marked a positive and purposeful beginning to the new academic year.

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RONGALI UTSAV 2026 AT DON BOSCO SCHOOL

Don Bosco School celebrated a vibrant two-day Rongali Utsav on 29th and 30th April 2026, showcasing Assamese culture with great enthusiasm and pride. The celebrations were preceded by a ten-day Bihu workshop led by Mr. Ranjit Gogoi and his team, with nearly 150 students participating. The first day began with the hoisting of the Bihu flag, lighting of the ceremonial lamp, and a welcome address by Principal Rev. Fr. Dr. Alex Mathew. Dr. Navanil Barua attended as the Chief Guest.

Students enthralled the audience with energetic Bihu dance performances, followed by drawing competition and the Inter-House Bihu Competition, where Lachit House emerged victorious.

The second day featured an Inter-School Bihu Competition with participation from various schools across Guwahati. Guwahati Public School secured first place, while Maria's Public School and St. Joseph's School finished second and third respectively.

The highlight of the event was the evening cultural programme featuring renowned Assamese singer Neel Akash. The programme was graced by Padma Bhushan Jatin Goswami as the Chief Guest and Prof. Rupa Deka Patar as the Guest of Honour. The celebration concluded on a joyous note, leaving participants with cherished memories of Assam's rich cultural heritage.



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8C

HURO PROGRAMME ON HOOLOCK CONSERVATION

Bosco School, Guwahati, hosted the HURO Programme to raise awareness about the conservation of the Hoolock Gibbon, India's only ape species. More than 400 students participated in the interactive session conducted by HURO Programme Director **Florian Magne** and Educational Director **Suman Gogoi Bhuyan**. The programme highlighted the importance of protecting the Hoolock Gibbon and preserving its natural habitat. Through engaging discussions and informative presentations, students gained valuable

insights into biodiversity conservation and environmental responsibility. The initiative served as an enriching learning experience, inspiring students to become active advocates for wildlife and nature conservation.

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PTM: KG Class was held on April 18th. Class 12 was held on April 24th.