# MARIS STELLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) Department of English 2019-2020

**An Induction Programme** was conducted for the I Degree students on 13/6/19. A Bridge Course was conducted for I Degree students from 17/6/19 to 22/6/19. Essentials of English Grammar and Sounds of English were taught.



Language Partnership Programme initiated by our Principal, Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras and launched with the collaboration of Stella Maris College, Chennai under the able guidance of Dr. Thilagavathi Joseph who trained the faculty and students in conducting this programme was taken up this year by the faculty of the department of English. 150 slow learners were identified and 60 volunteers were chosen to help out the slow learners. Every week four hours of instruction and activity were conducted.





# **Guest Lecture**

Maris Stella Alumni Association & Department of English organised a guest lecture for PG English students by Dr. Afeera Khanam, English Instructor, University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia on the topic 'Teaching and Learning English as a Second Language: Strategies' on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019. 75 PG Students attended it.

# **Awareness Programme**

Maris Stella Alumni Association(MSAA)conducted an awareness programme on "Common Gynaec Problems among the Young Women" to UG and PG students on 6.09.2019, Friday, in the college auditorium. The resource person was Dr.S.Sahithi, BAMS, MD, Vedamantra Ayurveda Clinic, Vijayawada.



## **Guest Lecture**

Maris Stella Alumni Association(MSAA) and the PG Department of English, Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, organised a special guest lecture on the topic 'Reading Skills' by Ms. V. Vishnu Vandana Devi, Associate Professor of English, Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Vijayawada, on 29.08.19

PG English Department in collaboration with Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) organized a lecture for PG English students on English Language Teaching (ELT), 31<sup>st</sup>July, 2019. The resource person was Dr.Afeera Khanam, an alumna herself and she has been working as an English Instructor at the University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia.

PG English Department in collaboration with Maris Stella Alumni Association (MSAA) organized a lecture on *Women's Writings* on 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019. The Resource person was Dr.Afeera Khanam, an alumna herself and has been working as an English Instructor at University of Jeddah, Khulais, Saudi Arabia. She focused on Alice Walker's *Color Purple* and discussed several issues like gender discrimination, queer human relationships, socio-cultural problems.

### **Online Course**

The Department of English under the guidance of Dr. Girija Nambiar, Dr. Ch. Krishnaveni & Dr. V. Satya Sudha have conducted an Online course in English for all the UG students. The students took one internal assessment in January '20 and the End Semester exam will be held in March 2020.

## **Cultural Week**

As a part of Cultural Week, the Dept of English conducted the following competitions.

**English Drama** – 50 students from Inter and Degree were participated in the competition

English Essay Writing was conducted on 10-12-2019 on the topic "The threat to the planet is us. Care for the planet and it will take care of you."86 students from Inter and UG participated in the competition

**English debate** was conducted on 11-12-2019 on the topic "Human Consumarism is Resulting in Global Havoc". 20 students from Inter and UG participated in the competition

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DR. CHENNA REDDY, **DEPT OF ENGLISH**, **ANU addressed the UG & PG students on "Teaching and Learning LSRW Skills of English" on 1st February**, **2020. 90** Students from **III BA Literature**, **Tourism and Journalism and MA English participated**.

