



ST. THOMAS COLLEGE OF TEACHER  
EDUCATION, PALA

*Oratory*  
*Club*  
*CICERO'S*  
*CORNER*



# *Oratory Club*

## *Office Bearers 2023-2025*

**Prof. Dr. T. C. Thankachan**      **Teacher In-charge**


**Ms. Aileen Mariya Kuriakose**      **President**

**Ms. Pooja Therese Sebastian**      **Secretary**

# *Objectives*

The Oratory Club of our college functions to motivate and promote teacher trainees to deliver creative expression. It also functions as an effective tool in promoting their course, "Language Across Curriculum" in the third semester.

The objectives of an Cicero's Corner are:

1. Improve public speaking skills: Encourage members to develop confidence and proficiency in public speaking.
  2. Develop communication skills: Foster effective communication, articulation, and expression of thoughts and ideas.
  3. Enhance leadership skills: Provide opportunities for members to take on leadership roles and develop leadership skills.
  4. Promote creative expression: Encourage members to express their creativity through speech, debate, and other forms of oral communication.
  5. Build confidence: Help members overcome fears and build confidence in speaking in front of audiences.
  6. Develop critical thinking: Encourage critical thinking, analysis, and evaluation of ideas and arguments.
  7. Foster teamwork: Promote collaboration and teamwork through group activities and projects.
  8. Provide feedback and support: Offer constructive feedback and support to help members improve their skills.
  9. Host events and competitions: Organize debates, speech competitions, and other events to showcase members' skills.
  10. Develop problem-solving skills: Encourage members to think critically and develop problem-solving skills through discussions and debates.
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# CICERO'S CORNER

*Honouring the great Roman orator Cicero, the oratory club of our college gives training to blooming orators. The club members meet every week and organize elocution competitions, just a minute programmes, debates, panel discussions, etc. It fosters spontaneous articulation, interactive gesticulations and good voice modulation by the participants.*

# 1. Pep Talk

*A pep talk is a content rich motivational speech or conversation intended to boost someone's confidence, enthusiasm, and energy. It's a way to inspire and encourage individuals or teams to perform at their best, overcome challenges, and achieve their goals. An idea of Pep Talk was given to the students by the Teacher In Charge of the Oratory Club, Prof. Dr. T.C. Thankachan. On the day of Constitutional Day Celebration, a Pep Talk was conducted for students on the topic of "Preamble of the Constitution" on 24/11/2023. Pooja Therese Sebastian and Sradha Maria Babu of First Year and Second Year B.Ed English Education secured first and second prize. Students participated wholeheartedly and they got an idea of present content rich ideas within short time through the instigation of the pathos of the audience.*



## ST. THOMAS COLLEGE OF TEACHER EDUCATION, PALA

Research Centre in Education approved by M.G. University, Kottayam, Kerala



- PEP TALK COMPETITION
- CONSTITUTION DAY PLEDGE
- CONSTITUTION REVIEW

ORGANISED BY THE COLLEGE UNION *DHRUVA*  
IN COLLABORATION WITH ARCHANA  
WOMEN'S CENTRE, ETTUMANOOR

**ON 24-11-2023**  
Time : 3:00 p. m.

" The Constitution is not a mere lawyer's document. It is a vehicle of life and its spirit is always the spirit of age. "

DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR





## 2. FLUENT VOICES

*A speech training programme was conducted at the college auditorium on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2024 under the activity milieu of Oratory Club of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education Pala in collaboration with NSS unit of the college. The event started with a session by Dr. Alex George, NSS programme officer, which marked its initiation by the distribution of a book written by Fr. Thomas Moolayil on the strategies to be followed to articulate an effective speech. Then an interactive session was led among students where the students were arranged in groups of two. They faced each other and each one talked for three minutes on various topics like 'School Life', 'What would you do if you become the Prime Minister of India?', 'Tapioca Farming' and 'Our College'. Dr. T. C. Thankachan, Teacher In-Charge of Oratory Club gave guidelines after each speech session and the event was evaluated by him at the end. Students also figured out that the workshop helped to boost their communicative abilities.*







# 3. Interview Training Series

St.Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala



ORATORY CLUB AND IQAC

jointly organise

## INTERVIEW TRAINING SERIES

On 10/06/2024, 11: 30 am

Oratory Club:

Teacher In- Charge: Prof. Dr. T.C. Thankachan

Student In-Charge: Aileen Mariya Kuriakose

IQAC Coordinator: Dr. Lavina Dominic



# INTERVIEW TRAINING SERIES

*Effective communication is the base of all human interactions. When it comes to an interview, professional dialogues motivate the recruitment officials to decide the eligibility of the applicants. With this aim in mind, the Oratory Club of St. Thomas College of Teacher Education Pala has organized an Interview Training Series for the teacher trainees. The first session was held on 10 June 2024 at 11.30 am. Different panels consisting of three experts formed the interview board for the teacher trainees. Dr. T. C. Thankachan, the Teacher In-charge of Oratory Club gave the trainees and the experts proper instructions. The session was successful in all sense and the trainees were given suggestions for improvement after the whole event. The need for spontaneous, logical and sensible replies were thus conveyed to the students. The programme was thus a skill polishing event which shaped effective articulation.*





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## 4. Creative Quest: Multi-Talent Showdown Speech Competition for School Children

A speech Competition was conducted on 9/11/2024, as part of Children's Day Celebration, for school children under the facilitation of Oratory Club of the college. The topic of the speech was "Migration of Youth" and the students were able to talk flawlessly on the same. They were given separate rooms for preparation and the judges evaluated their speeches with a proper performance. Niya Fathima of Guidance Public School Paikā and Evan Jose of Jyothi Public School Paikā secured first and second prize respectively.





# 5. Explorica Verbatim

As part of 21<sup>st</sup> State Level Eminent based on "Children's Right Against Exploitation", Fr.Jissmon Jose (II Year B.Ed Student, Social Science Education) and Aileen Mariya Kuriakose (II Year B.Ed Student, English Education) presented papers on 10/12/2024 at Darasana Cultural Centre Auditorium, Kottayam. The

topics of their papers are

"Children's Rights - History and Facts" and "Transforming Child Lives: A Journey of Resilience from Exploitation to Empowerment". The day was a great opportunity for the trainees to foster their critical thinking and oratorical skills. Both these papers are co-authored by Prof. Dr. (Sr) Beenamma Mathew, Prof. Dr. T C Thankachan, Dr. Alex George. Being great speakers these teachers also shaped the speech abilities of the teacher trainees thereby enhancing out campus activities.

