



May Day Celebration 2025

The ceremonious proceedings of May Day, also known as International Labour Day, often include delivering long-due notice and affirmation being afforded to those hardworking and diligent individuals who regularly indulge in the toilsome duties of those essential functions without which our societal and social institutions at large would not be able to function as they do.

It is in deference to the veritable workers in our midst that Don Bosco School, Bandel, went on to celebrate its annual May Day function on the 30th of April, 2025.

The event itself was graced with exhortations and meaningful reflections by many individuals, such as the members of the Salesians, teaching as well as non-teaching communities as also coloured with the multifaceted displays of music and dance by the students of the Junior and Senior sections alike, culminating in a mood of appreciation for the people in our midst who strive at length to keep our institution functioning smoothly, keep our campus clear and pristine; and accompany the students through every mishap.

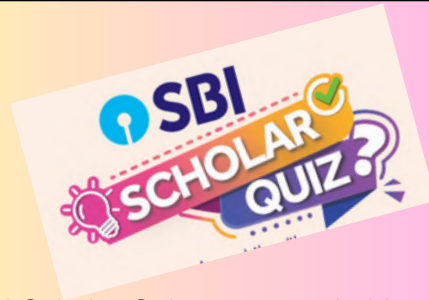
Through the exhortations of Rev. Fr. Rector, the event managed to ingrain within its audience that the presence of those stellar individuals in our midst should not be taken for granted; and that we, as those who partake in the indispensable fruit of their labour, should do our part in preserving the sanctity of this institution of ours. As said by Rev. Fr. Principal, that is the first step towards achieving the society where no occupation is held in lower esteem and where the dignity of each human person is not merely preserved, but also celebrated.

ICSE & ISC 2025 Results

The results for the ICSE and ISC, 2025 examinations were declared by the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations on the 30th of April 2025. 165 students of class 10 and 89 students of class 12 appeared for these examinations from Don Bosco School, Bandel. The school has once again demonstrated its academic excellence through these results. The results reflect the dedication of students, the guidance of teachers and the unwavering support from parents.



Out of 165 students who appeared for ICSE 2025 examination, 79 students scored 90% and above and the average score was 85.17 %. In ISC 2025 examination out of 89 students, 40 students scored 90% and above and the average score was 85.36 %. Father Principal congratulated the students for their achievements and thanked the staff for their relentless efforts. Special recognition was given to the ICSE toppers during a small felicitation ceremony held in the school assembly. Don Bosco School, Bandel's stellar board results will serve as an inspiration to the current and future students and reaffirm its position as one of the leading institutions in the region.



The SBI Scholar Quiz 2025 was held on 30th April, 2025 at Rotary Sadan, Kolkata, focusing on SBI history, banking & finance basics, investments, currencies, financial literacy, security & fraud, and government schemes. The event aimed to encourage critical thinking, teamwork, and awareness among students regarding the world of Finance and Banking.

Don Bosco School, Bandel participated in the competition with two teams. Each team consisted of two students. The participants representing our school were:

- Team 1: Kaustuv Biswas and Anurag Patuli.
- Team 2: Amrit Chatterjee and Swarnava Gupta

The quiz was structured into two phases, a written preliminary exam, which eliminated all but 6 schools. The 6 top schools participated in the final in which there were 5 rounds, namely, a written round, clockwise oral, rapid fire, anticlockwise oral and a final buzzer round.

All teams performed admirably, showcasing their knowledge and presence of mind. Team 2 from our school excelled and secured the 2nd runners up position, making us proud, with a final score of 50. They trailed the runners up by 6 points.

The event concluded with the prize distribution ceremony. It was a memorable and enriching experience for all participants.



Catholic Parents' Meet

A meeting was held in Don Bosco School, Bandel on 3rd May, 2025 between Catholic parents, the Salesian school administrators, and the parish priest to discuss students' spiritual development, academic progress, and community involvement. Emphasis was placed on strengthening Catholic values, enhancing parent-school collaboration, and supporting youth through faith-based education rooted in Don Bosco's Salesian principles.



K.G. Parents' Meet



The Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Meeting was held on 7th May 2025. The gathering began with the sharing of inspiring facts from life of Don Bosco by Reverend Father Rector. The Kindergarten Coordinator then briefed parents on important rules and routines that ensured smooth functioning of the classroom. Father Principal and Vice Principal later emphasized on the core values of the institution as stated in the school diary.

They highlighted the importance of a strong parent-child bond and encouraged parents to actively engage in their child's overall growth, focusing not only on academics but also on developing essential social skills. The Toondemy app, designed to enhance teaching and learning by making educational experiences more engaging and effective, was also introduced to the parents at the conclusion of the meeting. The meeting strengthened the partnership between parents and educators, reinforcing the shared commitment to nurturing confident, compassionate, and well-rounded individuals.

Foundation Day & Saint Dominic Savio's Feast

The 6th of May is indeed a profound marker on the calendar marking Don Bosco School, Bandel's infinitudes, not merely as yet another date but rather a day of sublime significance- a day wherein we celebrate our institution's Foundation Day, in keeping with the integral pillars of knowledge and service, which define the very fabric of our school community as a whole.

We are reminded, on this day, not only of the legacy to be treasured, handed down by our predecessors, but to also carry that undying legacy into the future, through our actions and decisions, entrenching diligence, commitment, compassion and conscience in every aspect of our lives.

Also commemorated on the same day, is the feast of St. Dominic Savio, the radiant beacon of holiness, piety and devotion; whose short but illustrious life under the watchful guidance of our patron, Saint John Bosco and subsequent attainment of eternal spiritual sanctity at the age of 14 continues to inspire us, serving as an ideal to strive towards. His life's aim, to achieve sainthood and his untainted desire to accomplish the same always resound in the hearts and minds of all who know his story, consecrated for all time.

BIZCON 2025



After countless nights of hard work, disciplined and diligent efforts of the core and the teachers, Don Bosco School Bandel witnessed glory on 3rd May 2025 as Don Bosco School Bandel commemorated the 4th edition of Bosco Bizcon with the renowned theme of “Revolutionizing the world of Biz”. The day being extremely successful like every year left its mark on all of the participants and the people directly involved with the competition as all the members were satisfied with the outcome of the event.

The day started off with the inauguration ceremony as usual where Aarav Tiwari the CEO of the event charged the students with enthusiasm with his speech after which Fr. Rector with his warm words welcomed all of the schools before declaring the conclave open, he was followed by our Principal who with a powerful message and radical way of delivery rightfully declared the Bosco Bizcon, 2025 open.

The stakes had been high as the schools participating were extremely competitive and brilliant in their fields. A total of 12 schools participated including Don Bosco School Bandel, the various schools included Don Bosco Park Circus, Don Bosco Liluah, Saint Joseph's Convent Chandannagar, Auxilium Convent Bandel, Tribeni Tissues Vidyapith, Gospel's Home School, Methodist School Dankuni, Saint Luke's, Agrasain Balika Siksha Sadan, Agrasain Boys School. This year the events were power packed no less. There were six events, namely Bosco Auction Arena (IPL auction), Bosco Lawyers Bar (Moot Court), Bosco Recursos (Crisis Management), Bosco Annuncio (Advertisement), Bosco Tactica (Brand Wars) and Bosco Conquista (Shark Tank). The diverse ideas for the various events were appreciated by all, the representatives of various schools.



INVESTITURE CEREMONY

JUNIOR SECTION



Investiture Ceremony – A Celebration of Young Leadership

The Investiture Ceremony for the Primary Section was held with great solemnity and pride on the 8th of May. This momentous occasion marked the formal induction of the newly elected young leaders into their respective roles of responsibility, embodying the true spirit of leadership and service.

The atmosphere was one of dignity and inspiration as the ceremony commenced with the Flag Bearing Ceremony. In a symbolic gesture of trust and duty, the House Mistresses ceremoniously handed over the House flags to the House Captains, while the School Prefect was entrusted with the School Flag by the esteemed Father Principal himself—an honour that underscored the significance of the role.

Badges of office were conferred upon the Prefects, Captains, Monitors, and Vice Monitors by Father Principal, the House Mistresses, and the Coordinator. As they proudly adorned the badges upon their chests, each badge stood not merely as a symbol of authority, but as a testament to their commitment to uphold the values and ethos of the institution.

The newly appointed council then solemnly took the oath of allegiance, pledging to discharge their duties with integrity, responsibility, and dedication. The oath-taking ceremony resounded with the promise of upholding the school's honour and fostering a spirit of discipline, inclusiveness, and excellence.

The event stood as a proud moment for the entire school community, celebrating the nurturing of leadership qualities in its youngest members. It was a vivid reminder that true leadership is not about position, but about action, service, and the courage to stand for what is right.

The Investiture Ceremony concluded on a note of inspiration and hope, as the young badge holders stepped into their new roles, ready to lead with compassion, uphold the school's legacy, and serve as role models for their peers.



INVESTITURE CEREMONY

SENIOR SECTION



Leadership is not just a role—it's a responsibility to inspire, serve, and uphold values. At Don Bosco School, Bandel, the Investiture Ceremony is a cherished tradition that marks the beginning of a new chapter for student leaders chosen to guide their peers with honour and integrity.

On May 8, 2025, the Fatima Hall witnessed a solemn and spirited Investiture Ceremony for the newly elected Student Council. The event began with the hymn *"Be Thou My Vision"* and a ceremonial procession, followed by the lighting of the lamp to *"I Will Shine,"* symbolizing the dawn of new responsibilities.

Rev. Fr. Bursar paid tribute to Don Bosco with a garland, and Rev. Fr. Rector encouraged the council to lead with courage and compassion. The leaders then stepped forward to receive their flags and badges as their names were announced, followed by the **Oath of Office** administered by Rev. Fr. Principal.

The ceremony concluded with the School Anthem, inspiring words from Rev. Fr. Vice Principal, a reflection and prayer led by the School Prefect, and the recitation of the School Pledge—affirming the unity and commitment of the new council.

Newly Elected Student Council:

- * SCHOOL PREFECT: AARAV TIWARI
- * SCHOOL VICE PREFECT: DEBANSHU DAS
- * SCHOOL ASSISTANT PREFECT: ARKA DEY
- * RED HOUSE CAPTAIN: HEMANT AGARWAL
- * BLUE HOUSE CAPTAIN: DINESH EKKA
- * GREEN HOUSE CAPTAIN: RAGHAV AGARWAL
- * YELLOW HOUSE CAPTAIN: PRAJJWAL KEITH BARAL



RABINDRA JAYANTI

On the auspicious occasion of Rabindra Jayanti, the birth anniversary of Kabi Guru Rabindranath Tagore, the Morning Assembly was conducted by Class 5A on 8th May, 2025. The day started with the morning prayer.

Thereafter, the students delved into the achievements of Rabindranath Tagore, the great poet, novelist, playwright, painter, philosopher and social reformer.

This was followed by the enactment of one of his famous poems, 'Where the Mind is Without Fear'. They depicted the visionary ideals of freedom, equality and rationality envisioned by Tagore.

The presentation was a blend of song, expressive movements and symbolic visuals which conveyed the message of the poem. Students creatively portrayed the themes of unity, education and courage.

They concluded the assembly with the promise to uphold truth and work towards a society that is united, fearless and progressive.

The spirit of inspiration continued as the senior section of the school transitioned into the Rabindra Jayanti celebration celebrating the 164th birth anniversary of Kabi Guru. The timeless words of Rabindranath Tagore,

***"Let me not pray to be sheltered from dangers,
But to be fearless in facing them.
Let me not beg for the stilling of my pain, but
For the heart to conquer it."***

set the tone for the commemoration. The legacy of Rabindranath Tagore, a beacon of universal harmony, love, and humanity, was remembered on the event of his 164th birth anniversary. His profound impact on education, fostering holistic development, and his revolutionary contributions to music, poetry, and drama continue to inspire generations.

The Rabindra Jayanti celebration at Don Bosco School, Bandel, began with a heartfelt tradition: the respectful garlanding of Tagore's portrait. This touching tribute was followed by a melodious performance by the talented teachers of the Senior Section, their voices reverently celebrating the birth anniversary of the great poet and setting a grand tone for the event. The atmosphere was further enriched by a beautiful recitation of one of Tagore's many evocative poems. Subsequently, the senior students captivated the audience with a lively and thought-provoking performance of Tagore's insightful story, 'Totakahini'. Their rendition cleverly highlighted some of the perceived flaws in today's education system, particularly the pressures faced by young learners. The "tota," or parrot, in their play poignantly symbolized the weight of rote learning, while the cage represented the restrictive environment many students experience. Through their compelling performance, they subtly advocated for a change in perspective, encouraging everyone to view education as a precious treasure rather than a burdensome task. The entire presentation unfolded as a beautiful embroidery of an engaging play, graceful dances, and deeply moving music, cherishing the enduring brilliance of Rabindranath Tagore and highlighting some quintessential problems of the present day.

