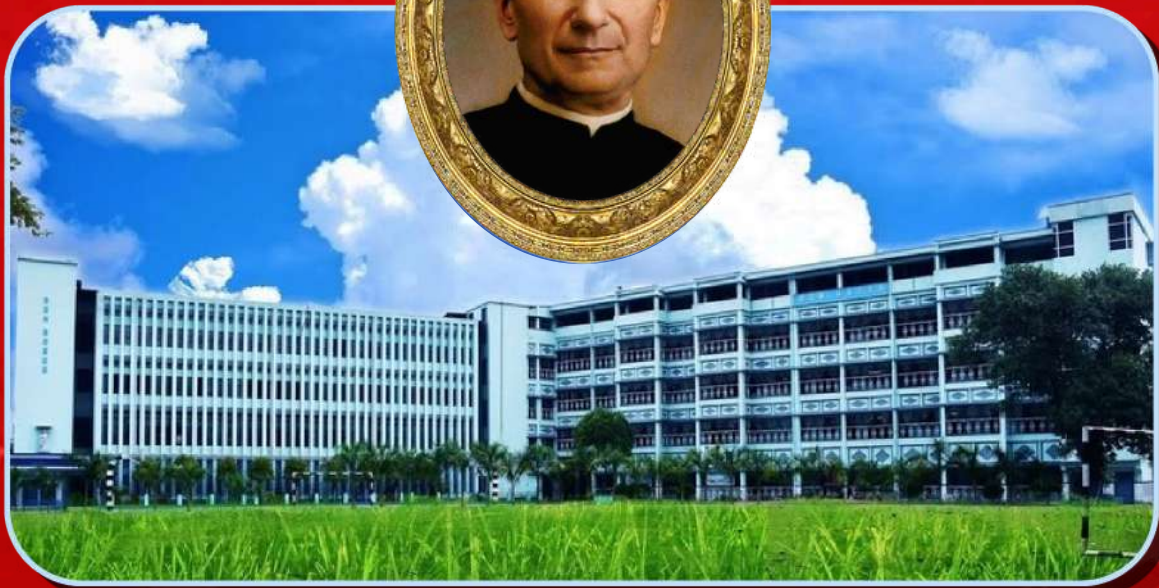
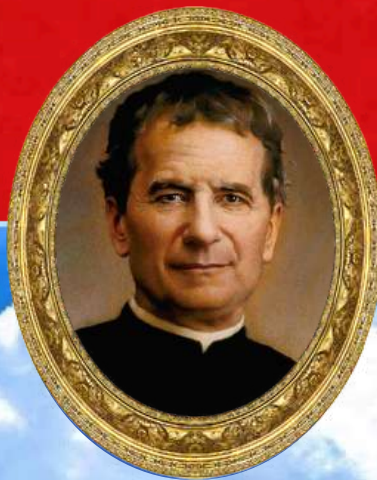




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INDEPENDENCE DAY



Patriotic fervor swept through the corridors of Don Bosco School, Bandel, on the **14th and 15th of August 2026** as students and faculty united to commemorate **India's Independence Day**. The observances began on **August 14th** with vibrant play on and emotionally charged short plays on the topic "Independence Memories" that brought the sacrifices of our **national freedom fighters** vividly to life.

The momentum carried into **August 15th** with a solemn **flag hoisting ceremony**, followed by a **disciplined** and **impressive** march-past presented by the **school's scout group**. Adding a poignant contemporary perspective, the students of Class 11 staged a thought-provoking street play highlighting **civic responsibility**. Together, these tributes reminded every **Bosconian** of the true price of national sovereignty and the responsibility carried by the youth in building a stronger nation.



“EXTRAORDINARY VISITATION” BY REV. FR. BIJU MICHAEL



On the 19th and 20th of August 2026, the Don Bosco School, Bandel community was blessed with a truly momentous occasion as the campus welcomed Reverend Father Biju Michael SDB. Serving as the regional counselor for South Asia in Rome, Fr. Biju Michael arrived for an "Extraordinary Visitation"—a significant milestone that occurs once every six years to review and coordinate Salesian mission work across the region.

Welcomed with deep reverence and enthusiasm as Don Bosco in our midst, Father engaged warmly with the campus community. During his two-day stay, he blessed the newly updated school library and held an inspiring interaction with the teaching and non-teaching staff, expressing profound gratitude for their steadfast service.

His presence served as a powerful reminder of our Salesian heritage, reigniting a shared commitment to educating young minds with reason, faith, and loving kindness.



ADIEU, MADAME ANNA DOROTHY GOMES



After eighteen years of devoted service, beloved junior section teacher Ms. Anna Dorothy Gomes stepped into a well-deserved retirement, bidding a poignant farewell on August 18, 2026. Having joined the institution on April 1, 2008, Ms. Gomes served as a foundational mentor for generations of students, instilling core values of honesty, piety, and faith while teaching English, Mathematics, Bengali, and Bible History. Her dedication extended far beyond traditional instruction, as she spent countless hours preparing young Bosconians for major campus events including Boscotsav, Bosco Fest, Bosco Xprezns, Bible Quizzes, and Sports Day. Colleagues and students gathered to honor her legacy of patient guidance and vibrant warmth, extending their prayers and best wishes for a peaceful, joyful, and blessed new chapter of life.

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BOSCO CONSILIUM (INTRAMUN)



On August 12th, 2026, the campus hummed with diplomatic debate as Don Bosco School, Bandel, hosted the second edition of Bosco Consilium, an intra Model United Nations conference for Classes 6 through 12. Student delegates stepped into the shoes of global policymakers across specialized committees, including the UNSC-CTC, AIPPM, and UNCSW.

Throughout the day-long event, young delegates tackled complex international security challenges, deliberated on pressing domestic policy concerns, and advocated for fundamental human rights. The rigorous debates offered students a practical platform to sharpen their critical thinking, public speaking, and negotiation skills, cultivating an informed global perspective and nurturing the leaders of tomorrow.



BAGLESS DAY



Textbooks were put aside on August 7th for the senior section and August 14th for the junior section as Don Bosco School, Bandel, organized its Annual Bagless Days. Designed to offer students a creative breather from academic routines, the campus transformed into a lively hub of artistic expression and friendly competition.

Senior students demonstrated their artistic range across diverse disciplines, including Western singing, folk music performances, canvas drawing, extempore speeches, and dramatic declamations. The junior section followed with equal zest, filling the air with charming stage acts and musical showcases. The initiative succeeded in placing holistic talent center stage, boosting student confidence and fostering camaraderie



NON FIRE COOKING



On August 7, 2026, the youngest learners of Class 1 participated in a hands-on Non-Fire Cooking Activity organized to introduce foundational life skills in an enjoyable, age-appropriate manner. Guided by their teachers, the children learned to assemble simple, nutritious snacks using fresh ingredients.

The interactive session emphasized fundamental concepts of personal hygiene, balanced nutrition, and kitchen safety without the use of heat sources. Working collaboratively in small groups, the primary students not only developed an early curiosity for culinary arts but also practiced sharing and teamwork in a vibrant classroom setting.



ROAD SAFETY BRIEFING



In alignment with National Road Safety Week, Don Bosco School, Bandel, organized an interactive awareness briefing for Class 7 students on August 10, 2026, in collaboration with the West Bengal Police department.

Visiting police officials utilized visual guides and live demonstrations to explain basic traffic laws, pedestrian safety measures, and important road signage, such as "No U-Turn" restrictions. The interactive session empowered students to take responsibility for their safety during daily school commutes and promoted civic compliance from an early age.



ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION



Academic excellence and unwavering commitment were formally celebrated on August 11, 2026, during the Senior Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony for Classes 6 through 12. Trophies and certificates of merit were awarded to academic achievers scoring 90% and above, ICSE 2026 board distinction holders with 95% and above, and subject toppers across Streams 11B, 11C, and 11D. A standout highlight was the special felicitation of Avik Kundu (ICSE Batch of 2026) for achieving a remarkable 100% attendance record consistently since Class 1.

Continuing this tradition of encouragement, the Junior Section Prize Distribution took place on August 20, 2026, recognizing promising achievers from Classes 1 to 5. Together, both ceremonies highlighted the institution's commitment to nurturing intellectual growth, discipline, and perseverance across all age groups.



SUPW PROJECT DAY



Don Bosco School, Bandel, turned into a colorful art gallery on August 13, 2026, during the annual Social Useful Productive Work (SUPW) Project Day exhibition. Students across all grade levels presented a striking display of handmade artistic creations, turning raw materials into beautiful decorative and functional pieces.

Classes 6 through 9 showcased handcrafted canvas paintings, painted pottery, traditional cultural masks, paper lanterns, and intricate dreamcatchers. Meanwhile, upper senior grades displayed advanced artistic techniques, featuring detailed mandala artwork from Class 10, paper quilling wall art from Class 11, and traditional Warli folk paintings from Class 12.



FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SESSION



On August 13, 2026, commerce stream students from Classes 11B and 12B attended a specialized career orientation workshop titled "Finance & Accounting Pathways". The session was delivered by guest speaker Mr. Mainak Roy, an experienced finance leader who previously served as Financial Controller for the London Borough of Brent in the UK Civil Services, as well as senior manager at GE and HP in the USA.

Mr. Roy shared valuable global industry insights, detailing the evolving demands of corporate finance, global accounting standards, and international professional certifications. The interactive format allowed students to clarify doubts regarding higher education options, skill development, and strategic career mapping in the corporate sector.



MATHSWIZ 2026



Logic, speed, and analytical precision were on full display on August 21, 2026, as the campus hosted the Bosco Math Wiz, a major inter-school mathematics competition. The event drew enthusiastic contingents from 17 schools, competing across various age categories spanning Classes 6 through 12.

The dynamic format challenged participants through fast-paced mental arithmetic speed rounds, collaborative group problem-solving sessions, a Math Dash, and a Tangram Blitz. The day concluded with an edge-of-your-seat grand math quiz, testing quick recall and strategic thinking while reinforcing the idea that mathematics can be both challenging and engaging.



CYBER SECURITY SEMINAR



Recognizing the growing importance of digital safety, the school hosted a comprehensive seminar on Cyber Security and Digital Hygiene for Class 10 students on August 25, 2026. The interactive session was conducted by experts from the Sarvodaya Cyber Security Group.

Students received practical instruction on identifying online security threats, recognizing fraudulent websites, understanding common social engineering tactics used by hackers, and managing secure passwords. The workshop provided the young Bosconians with essential tools to protect their personal data and navigate the modern digital landscape with caution and responsibility.



ACHIEVEMENTS

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Xprezns 2026



Bosco Quirous

At Bosco Quiros, organized by Don Bosco School, Bandel, on **17th July, 2026**, with fourteen schools participating, **Pratyay Chattopadhyay (Class IX)**, **Anroni De (Class XII)**, and **Bishakh Dutta (Class XII)** secured first position in the **Category 9-12 quiz**, while **Siddharth Giri (Class VII)**, **Sandipto Chattopadhyay (Class VIII)**, and **Rahitya Sarkar (Class VIII)** bagged first position in the **Category 6-8 quiz**.



Auxi Quiz 2026

At AuxiQuiz'26, organized by Auxilium Convent School, Bandel, on 8th August 2026, Kaustav Biswas (Class XI), Aurni De (Class XI), and Pratyay Chattopadhyay (Class IX) secured first position in the Category 9-12 quiz.



Famifest 2026

At the Famifest Football Tournament organized by Famila School, Kanchrapara, on 21st August 2026, our school secured third position, with Sohaan Denis Marandi (Class X) winning the Golden Boot Award for scoring 6 goals and Sir Rahul Biswas being nominated as the best coach, alongside team members Rishant Majumder (Captain, Class XII), Abin Halder (Class IX), Sagnik Sarkar (Class X), Armaghan Karim (Class IX), Advik Singh (Class IX), Savio Hansda (Class XII), Aeon Das (Class X), Ujan Biswas (Class X), and Godfrey Kerketta (Class XII).



Young Achievers

At the 10th International Karate Championship, Ayush Paul (Class 5B) won a Silver Medal in the Fight category and a Bronze Medal in the Kata category, alongside Rishi Roy (Class 2B) winning a Gold Medal and Arnesh Mitra (Class 4B) securing 2nd place, while Sukrit Raha (Class 2C) secured 1st place at the 10th Karate Championship organized by the Seishinkai Shito-Ryu Karate-Do Federation, Abhik Karmakar (Class 4D) won a Gold Medal at the Drawing Competition organized by Chhaya School of Art, Adhrit Dutta (Class 2D) received a Participation Award and Certificate in Lawn Tennis, Syon Murmu (Class 3B) secured 12th place and received a Trophy at the Invitational Yogasana Competition, and Adwitiyo Nandi (Class 5D) secured 1st place in Bengali Elocution organized by Chuchura Abritti while also receiving the Runner-up Trophy in another Bengali Elocution competition organized by Chuyas.



Fr. George Hess

At the **ASISC and Fr. George Hess Literary Events 2026 (Regional Rounds)** conducted on **22nd August** at **DPS New Town, Abhirup Maity (Class 8A)** secured **3rd Position** in **Painting**, **Shreyan De (Class 7A)** and **Sandipto Chattopadhyay (Class 8B)** secured **2nd Position** in the **Sub-Junior Quiz**, and **Kaustav Biswas** and **Auroni De (Class 11C)** secured **3rd Position** in the **Senior Quiz**.



CISCE Tournaments

At the **CISCE Regional Badminton Tournament** held on **21st August** at **Future Foundation School**, **Prankit Chakraborty (Class 6D)** secured **3rd position** and has been selected to participate in the **CISCE National-Level Badminton Tournament**, while **Adit Chakraborty (Class 8)** secured **2nd position** in the **CISCE National-Level Table Tennis Tournament** held at **Don Bosco Central School, Kerala**, and has also been selected for the **All India-Level Table Tennis Tournament**.

Kukkiwon 2026

Following the **Dan Promotion Test** on **16th August**, the **Kukkiwon World Taekwondo Organization** felicitated **Nilabha Som (Class 7D)**, **Aarav Kumar Rajak (Class 6B)**, **Debottam Ganguly (Class 8C)**, and **Aayansh Shrivastava (Class 7B)** with **2nd Dan Black Belt certificates**, alongside **Rudranil Karmakar (Class 11C)** receiving a **1st Dan Black Belt certificate**.



Concordia Spectra 2026

At Concordia Spectra 2026 hosted by Gospel Home School, Rishra, on 22nd August 2026, Vihaan Bhattacharya (Class 9D) secured the 2nd Runner-Up position in Pixel Vision, while the team consisting of Srijan Dutta (Class 12A), Rajannya Sarbajna Haque (Class 12A), Bhaswata Dey (Class 10A), Swagato Ghosh (Class 12A), Akshat Singh (Class 9A), Abhishek Sharma (Class 12D), and Ujaan Dey (Class 11A) secured the 1st Runner-Up position in Thespian Trails - Drama.

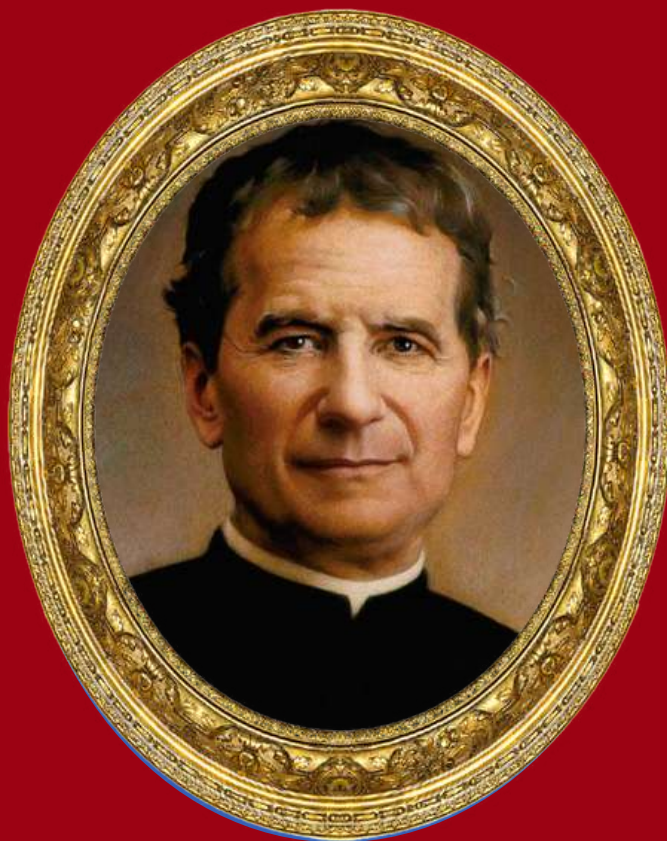


Youth strikes again!

Aarush Singh (Class 2A) received a Yellow Grade Certificate for successfully completing the Universal School of Taekwondo Grade Promotion Test, while Arnesh Mitra (Class 1B) received the Benchmark Award (41st Level) with a Trophy and Gold Medal at the SIP Abacus West Bengal State Prodigy 2026, and Ayan Saha (Class 2B) secured 1st Prize in a Chess Competition.

HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!





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