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NEWSLETTER

MAY has always been a month of much hustle on account of admissions for Higher Education. However, this year signaled an irreversible shift. With a soaring demand for some programmes, colleges were forced to open additional sections and sadly shut down departments that had once been on high demand especially humanities. It is equally shocking to know that with attempts like STEM to strengthen research and innovation, Arts and Science colleges are battling with the repulsive attitude of students in pursuing sciences and mathematics programmes.

After personal interactions with students and parents who were desperate over not being able to gain admission due to upper limit attainment, it is inferred that they strongly believe some programmes are professional or guarantee professions and has created a myth the graduates become immediately employable. Students have limited the possibilities to commerce, computer and computer applications. Parents have limited themselves to their children's choice. Sadly, some of them are even mentored by their teachers and educated kith and kin.

At this point, the actual goals of Education must be recalled. Education leads to better sources of income – undeniable. However, man does not live by bread alone. It is high time we realize education is not meant for financial security and progress but a route to enhancing skills, empowering oneself and enlarging perception. Education cannot be reduced to a synonym of employment and definitely not limited to a few programmes that are believed to result in immediate employment.

A major surgical correction in thought is required at the moment. Let it be understood that all disciplines and domains when perceived rightly are equally profitable in the sense of knowledge, wisdom and employment.

Dr. Sr. Arokia Jayaceli A.
Principal

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CHRONOLOGY

Date	Event
Mar 1	Valedictory Day
Mar 3	Commencement of II Continuous Assessment
Mar 8	International Women's Day
	Young Innovators Day - Research Cell
Mar 8	Annual Special Camp (2024-2025) on "YES Youth For Environmental Sustainability" organised by NSS
Mar 8	National Webinar for Faculty Members on "Invest in Yourself - Find your Worklife Balance" organised by Department of Psychology
Mar 10	Digital Learning Day
Mar 11	Academic Audit
	Eco Awareness Day on the theme "Empowering a Greener Tomorrow" observed by the Enviro Club and NSF
Mar 14	AIIC Coordinators Meeting
Mar 22	Flash Mob to Observe "World Water Day" by ASQC & IQAC
	General Staff Meeting
Mar 24	Silver Jubilarians Dr Mary Agnes & Dr Arokia Mary hosted a tea party
Mar 25	Guest Lecture on "Heterosexual Relationship" organised by the Department of Psychology
	Management hosted a Thanksgiving tea party for the retiring staff and Silver Jubilarians
Mar 26	Dr Kasturi, jubilarian, hosted a Thanksgiving tea party
Mar 28	Monthly Seminar ACRKN
Apr 3	Commencement of Even Semester Examinations
Apr 21	Summer Skill Up Programme IQAC and Student Welfare Committee
	College Council Meeting
Apr 22	Paying tribute to Pope Francis
Apr 25	Workshop on Protecting Intellectual Property Rights and IP Management for Startups (Department of Computer Application in collaboration with AIIC
Apr 26	ASAI - Zumba for teaching and non teaching staff
Apr 28	Online Monthly Seminar - Auxilium Researchers Knowledge Network
Apr 29	Admission Expo at VIT
May 14	Admission Expo at Sunbeam School
May 27	Three Day Capacity Building Programme for Faculty Members "English Language Skills for Effective Teaching"
May 31	Online Monthly Seminar on "Enhancing Research with AI: Tools for Efficient Academic Writing"



MAJOR EVENTS

YOUNG INNOVATORS' DAY



The Committee for Research Ethics, Publication and IPR, Auxilium College organized Young Innovators' Day on 08.03.2025 to celebrate the Science Day and to commemorate the International Women's Day. A State Level Model Presentation competition on 'Ideation to accelerate action towards Gender equality' was conducted. The resource persons of the day were Mrs. Sujatha A, Mayor, Vellore corporation, Dr. Thangaprakash, Correspondent, Sunbeam Schools, Mrs. Poonguzhali,

proprietor of Sr Sakthi Gas Agencies, Vellore. 48 teams from various colleges participated in the contest. Innovations in different fields in the form of working models for science and non-working models for Arts students were presented by the students. The prize winners of Young Innovators' Day were awarded with cash prize of Rs.3000/ for the First Prize, Rs. 2000/ for the Second Prize, Rs.1000 for the Third Prize, Consolation prize - Rs.500/.



CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

A Capacity Building Programme was organised for the faculty members from May 27 -29, 2025 on English Language Skills for effective teaching. Mr. R. Nicky Ebenezer, M.A, M.S., Internationally Certified Language Trainer, Member of Association for Psychological Counselling Method was the resource person enriching faculty with various techniques to enhance their language skills in the classroom for the optimum benefit of students.



KALLURI KANAVU



Auxilium College participated in the *Kalluri Kanavu* program at VIT university organized by the Department of Education. Government of TamilNadu on April 29,2025 and at Sunbeam School on May 14, 2025. Around 2500 students from various schools participated in the event and visited the stall of Auxilium College. Dr. Bindu, Physical Directress, Ms. Dhanapackiam, Assistant Professor of History, and Dr.V.Ganga, Assistant Professor of History coordinated the participation of the Institution. The event was organized to sensitize students regarding the various possibilities in higher education and motivate them to choose programmes suitable for them.

HOMAGE TO POPE FRANCIS

Auxilium College Community gathered on 22 April to pay tribute to our beloved Pope Francis. Offering prayers for his eternal repose and reflecting on his inspiring legacy a prayer service was animated. The institution observed one day of silent homage and three days of solemnity.



EXTENSION AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

MAMMA MARGARET AWARD

The Kanali Women's Cell of Auxilium College presents the Mamma Margaret Award every year on March 8th to honor a woman activist in Vellore district, in memory of the mother of Don Bosco who was a source of feminine richness in Don Bosco's educative pedagogy. The award recognizes woman rendering quality service to women and children. This year's award was presented to Sr. A. Gandhi Mary, Founder and Managing Trustee, Divine Mercy Home, Kanchalur, Katpadi, Vellore. At Divine Mercy Home she renders her service to the occupants. She aids and assists the old people there to the best of her abilities.

The award and cheque were presented by our college Secretary, Sr. Dr. Mary Josephine Rani, College Principal, Sr. Dr. Arokiya Jayaseeli, and Vice-Principal, Sr. Dr. Amala Valarmathi. The Correspondent of Sunbeam Schools, Mrs. Thanga Prakash, a recipient of the Nallashiriyar Award, along with the owner of Shakti Gas Agency, Poonkuzhali, were special guests at the event. The ceremony concluded amicably.



NSS CAMP – “YES” : YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

The Annual NSS Special Camp for the academic year 2024-2025 was organised from 08.03.2025 to 14.03.2025. Various activities and sessions like Input Sessions on Exploring Jawadhi Hills, an input session on introducing PRA (Participatory Rural Appraisal), village mapping, and the GIR (Geographical Information Research) method, a workshop on Wikipedia writing, along with an input session on “Discovering the Eastern Ghats” and a tree plantation drive were organized.



BOOK EXHIBITION

On March 25, 2025, at 10:30 AM, 300 second-year students from Auxilium College, accompanied by more than 20 professors, visited the 3rd Annual Grand Book Fair held in Vellore. The students explored various books and publishing houses and also donated books as a charitable contribution to the prison department. In the evening cultural programs, Auxilium College presented a special "Puppet Show". The event was coordinated by Dr. A. Indhumathi and Ms G. Hemalatha, Assistant Professors, Department of Tamil.



DAYS OF IMPORTANCE

WOMEN'S DAY

On March 8, 2025, Auxilium College observed International Women's Day with the theme Accelerate Action. It was an opportunity to acknowledge and honor the efforts of women who contributed significantly to our society. Different departments conducted various programs and competitions to students on this occasion throughout the week. A guest lecture on "Breaking Chains: A Call to Accelerate Action Against Crime on Women" was organised by the Department of Business Administration. IWD SCP Digital Defence: A Women's Guide to Digital Protection was organised by the Department of Computer Science. Yoga as a Tool for Women's Empowerment and Personal Growth: A Hands-on Demonstration was organized by the Department of Physics. SCP Empowering Women through Women's Rights was organised by the Department of Mathematics, Computer Science, Biochemistry and Microbiology. Women's Day celebration for staff members were organised by ASAI and IQAC.



WORLD WATER DAY

World Water Day was observed on March 21, 2025 by the Auxilium Student Quality Cell (ASQC) in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). The theme for this year is "Glacier Preservation", highlighting the critical role glaciers play as essential freshwater reservoirs. To raise awareness among students about the importance of freshwater and the urgency of securing it for future generations, a Flash Mob was organized on campus. The event creatively emphasized that "Water is the soul of the Earth", capturing the attention of the audience and reinforcing the message of conservation. As part of the observance, Dr. (Sr.) Josephine Rani, Secretary, Principal Dr. (Sr.) Arockia Jayaceli A., Dr. (Sr.) Amala Valarmathy A. Vice Principal, Dr. (Sr.) Sagaya Mary T., IQAC Coordinator, ASQC Staff In-charge and the students took a solemn pledge to protect freshwater resources and never to waste even a single drop of water.



WHAT'S NEW

Summer Skill Up Program was an initiative by Auxilium College to equip students with essential skills, enhance their employability and holistic growth. Eight day Skill up program was organised from 21.04.2025-30.04.2025. On the first day the program Inaugurated with a Presidential Address by Dr. (Sr.) Mary Josphine Rani, the Secretary, who emphasized the importance of personal growth, effective communication, and self-presentation in today's dynamic world and the Keynote Address by Dr. (Sr.) Arokia Jayaceli, the Principal, who stressed the need for empowering students through skill-building workshops and holistic development.

Variety of engaging and skill-enhancing activities

Zumba Dance session was led by Mr. Platinie jayakumar paul, a certified Zumba Instructor. His lively and rhythmic Zumba and aerobic sessions invigorated the participants and set a positive tone.

Interactive Communication Training session was conducted by Mr. Nicky Ebenezer Ratchanyadoss from Niwins English Café, Vellore. He centered his training on developing confident communication skills, Public speaking and offered valuable insights into interview techniques. He boosted the confidence of students overcoming stage fear.

Session on Grooming was conducted by Ms. Sneha Pari, a professional makeup artist from Vellore. She shared essential tips on personal grooming, hygiene, and self-presentation.

Rejuvenating Yoga Session was led by Ms. Nanthini Chandru through simple yet effective asanas and breathing techniques, participants experienced relaxation and renewed energy. The session offered a calming contrast, focusing on wellness and mindfulness through Yoga.

Culinary Skills for Well-being was conducted by Ms. Malathi Gangadharan. She shared valuable insights on preparing healthy and balanced meals that promote physical and mental wellness.

RJ Session was conducted by RJ Nirmal Gunaseelan, who delivered an engaging and insightful introduction to the techniques and essential skills required for both Radio Jockeying (RJ) and Video Jockeying (VJ). He emphasized the importance of voice modulation, spontaneity, audience connection, and content creativity in the field of broadcasting.



Lifestyle session was led by Ms. Beulah Deepakumari Nandakumar, a Lifestyle Nurse Educator, providing an engaging introduction to the essentials of good nutrition and healthy living. She emphasized the importance of regular physical exercise, not skipping breakfast, avoiding junk food, staying well-hydrated, limiting screen time at night, maintaining social relationships, and including at least one pulse in the daily diet.

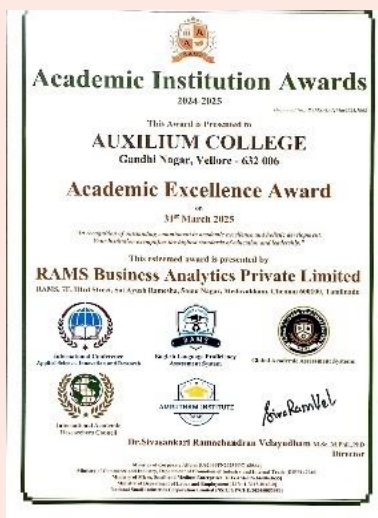
A lecture on Financial Literacy was delivered by Mr. Jayabalan. He emphasized the significance of budgeting,

saving habits, and making informed financial decisions. The session proved to be informative and enriched students with essential financial skills.

The valedictory session commenced with the Valedictory Address, which acknowledged the insightful contributions of the speakers and the enthusiastic participation of the attendees. Prizes were awarded to recognize outstanding performances.



ACHIEVEMENTS



- RAMS Business Analytics Private Limited, Chennai, presented an esteemed Academic Excellence Award 2024-2025 to Auxilium College (Autonomous), Vellore, on 31st March 2025 in recognition of outstanding commitment to
- Auxilium College (Autonomous), Vellore secured 43rd in the EW Ranking with a score of 506

FACULTY



Name: Dr. Isabella Rosaline S.

Designation: Assistant Professor of Botany

Achievement: Honoured with the Life Time Achievement Award for her Meritorious Service as Professor and Environmental activities having adjudged during the Academic year 2024-2025 by Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India on 03 March 2025.



Name(s): Dr. Ko. Senthil Selvi, Dr. Ve. Ra. Meenakshi and Dr. A. Auxilia Mary

Designation: Assistant Professors, Department of Tamil

Achievement: On Women's Day, March 8, 2025, the Tamil Amuthu Foundation honored them by presenting the "Olrirum Magalir" Award in recognition of their outstanding contributions.



Name: Ms. Gayathri R.

Designation: Assistant Professor of English

Achievement: Awarded the Best NSS Programme Officer 2022-2023 by the Government of Tamil Nadu - Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department & Directorate of Collegiate Education & Tamil Nadu State NSS Cell on 06/05/2025.



Name: Dr. Sabarmathi A.

Designation: Assistant Professor of Mathematics

Achievement: Successfully completed the Himalayan Wood Badge Course for Ranger Leaders designed to enhance leadership skills for adult leaders in scouting and guiding, organized by the Bharat Scouts and Guides, Tamil Nadu, at Stanley Park, State Training Centre, Coonoor-643 105 from 17.05.2025 to 23.05.2025.

STUDENTS

S. No.	Name of the Student	Programme	Event & Organizer	Prize won
1.	Kamatchi Kannigai V.	II - B. A. History	Shakespeare Publications State Level Talent Examinations	State First Rank
2.	Annie Pauline	III - B. A. English	Shakespeare Publications State Level Talent Examinations	State Second Rank
3.	Sanjana N. R.	III - B. Com	Shakespeare Publications State Level Talent Examinations	State Third Rank
4.	Kavijasri S.	III - B. Sc. Zoology	Shakespeare Publications State Level Talent Examinations	State Third Rank
5.	Dimple Mythili D.	III - BCA	Shakespeare Publications State Level Talent Examinations	State Third Rank
6.	Rekha A	III - B.Com	District level competitions organised by the Tamil Nadu Government Food Supply and Consumer Protection Department, Vellore Zone, to commemorate National Consumer Protection Day and World Consumer Rights Day (2024-2025)	First Place - Reading Competition
7.	Padmasree P	III - B.Com		Second Place - Drawing Competition
8.	Madhumitha S	III - B.Com		Second Place - Poetry Competition
9.	Aarthi B	II - B.Com		Second Place - Reading Competition
10.	Saranya M	II - B.Com		First Place - Drawing Competition
11.	Sandhiya B	II - B.Com		Third Place - Poetry Competition
12.	Shalini R	II - B.Com		First Place - Essay Writing Competition
13.	Latha M	II - B.Com		Second - Essay Writing Competition
14.	Tami Selvi V	II - B.Com		Third Place - Essay Writing Competition

SILVER MILESTONES

Auxilium delightfully acknowledges the silver jubilarians as worthy jewels in the crown of the Institution. The five silver stars of 2024-2025 have served 25 years in the portals of Auxilium with their purposeful presence and beacon of excellence through the years.

TO THE SILVER CHAPTERS OF THE PLATINUM STORY



Dr. Kasthuri, Associate Professor and Head Department of Mathematics joined Auxilium College on 29th March 2000. In Auxilium College, she has held various responsibilities efficiently as IQAC Member, NSS Programme Officer, NCC officer, Rotaract Club in charge, Director of Career Guidance cell, College Council member, Academic Council member, and Governing body member. By the virtue of selfless service and commitment to perfection, she has supported and contributed towards the growth of the college. making a positive impact in the lives of others. Professionally committed to excellence she completes tasks ahead of time, maintaining perfect quality with exceptional work ethics. She enormously encourages students to participate in extracurricular activities. Further, she ardently motivates students to excel in competitive exams and secure good jobs. She has inspired a generation of learners.

Dr. J Rosaline Ezhilarasi, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry at Auxilium College (Autonomous), Vellore, embodies a legacy of academic dedication and research excellence. With 25 years of teaching experience, her contributions to chemistry and academia are profound, shaping both her department and the wider academic landscape. Her research focuses on developing metal complexes and synthesizing bi- and trimetallic nanoparticles, addressing critical environmental issues like wastewater treatment. This practical application of her research demonstrates her commitment to bridging the gap between theory and real-world solutions. inspiring them to reach their full potential. Her teaching style blends theoretical foundations with practical applications, making complex concepts accessible and engaging. This approach ensures her students develop a deep understanding, preparing them for future scientific endeavors.



Dr. Arockiamary J.S. is an Associate Professor of Zoology at Auxilium College with an outstanding 25 years of teaching experience. She holds M.Sc., and Ph.D., and her expertise lies in Nanobiology. She has served as the Head of the Department from 2018 to 2024, significantly contributing to the College's academic framework through her involvement in curriculum development, drafting autonomy syllabi, and introducing new papers. She has successfully completed a UGC-funded major research project. Her commitment to the Institution is further exemplified by her extensive involvement in various committees, including IQAC, ASQC, and Staff Secretary. She has held prominent roles as a Member of the Academic council, Board of studies, Academic audit, College council, Magazine committee, Calendar committee, and College website. She has also held multiple roles, including Chief Examiner, Question paper setter, Coordinator of the UGC-sponsored MLT certificate course, Editor of Zoi magazine, and in the Admission process.

Dr. Mary Agnes A., Associate Professor and Head Department of Zoology at Auxilium College, joined in 2000, bringing with her vibrant energy and dedication. She is a certified Lead Auditor in environmental and fire safety audits, and also serves as an honorary consultant for the Solai Program. As a Research Supervisor she has guided four Ph.D., Scholars. Her scholarly achievements include completing a UGC Major Project as Co-Investigator, publishing 27 National and International Research Papers, presenting 11 papers at National and International Conferences. She has authored a book *Faunal and Floral Diversity recorded in Ancient Tamil Literature*. She has significantly contributed to academic and student welfare through roles like Dean of Science, Career Guidance & Placement Cell Coordinator, Academic Council and College Council Member, Editor of the College Magazine, Editor of Zoi - Magazine. She has held several administrative positions, including: IQAC Coordinator, Staff Welfare Fund Secretary, PG Head In-Charge. In 2023, She received the NSF Fellow Award and participated in the India-Sri Lanka Youth Exchange Program.



Mr Jacob Antony, a dedicated and hardworking individual completed his 25 years of service at Auxilium College as a Supportive staff. His ability to efficiently complete tasks assigned to him is commendable. He is known for his unwavering commitment, exceptional work ethic, and loyal contributions to the institution. Over the years, he has been a pillar of strength and reliability in carpentry displaying manual dexterity in all tasks assigned to him. His service stands as a testament to his perseverance and passion for excellence in matters big and small. Along with his exceptional craftsmanship, he also generously goes out of his way to help everyone in the campus.



SPOT TALK

One thing I really appreciate about our library is how it feels like a calm little corner in the middle of a busy campus. The moment I step inside, the quiet atmosphere helps me leave behind all distractions and get into a focused, productive mood. It's more than just a place for books it's where essays take shape, last-minute assignments are saved, and sometimes even a quick break in a comfy chair feels like magic. The friendly staff and well-organized spaces make it easy to find exactly what I need. Whether I'm preparing for exams, exploring new topics, or simply enjoying a peaceful moment, the library has a way of making learning feel less stressful and more enjoyable. It's one of the few places on campus where silence isn't awkward it's refreshing. –

Kaashifaa Sha I B.Com (B&I)



I find the library useful because it provides...

- ...study space, discussion rooms and supportive services - Ramyaa R .S. II B.Sc. Psychology
- ...a wide collection of academic and general knowledge books that improves my knowledge. - -- Amru Vethika S II – Mathematics
- ...Resource - rich space designed for learning ,research and study - Shainas M., II -Zoology
- ... digital search systems, discussion rooms, daily newspapers, college magazines, and previous years' competitive exam question papers. – D. Yashwanthira III B.A. English



The library helps me with my studies by...

- ...supporting my academic growth, fostering my love for learning, and providing a sense of community and belonging on campus - S.Mohanapriya II B.Sc. Psychology
- ... keeping noise and mess at bay, so I can learn the smart way. -K. Nakshathra I BCA(Shift-2)
- ... providing a focused environment where distractions fade away and learning takes center stage. Surrounded by resources and a calm atmosphere, I find it easier to concentrate, think critically, and stay motivated , something that's hard to achieve elsewhere on campus. -Sahhana K I III BA English



What I enjoy most about spending time in library is...

Surrounded by shelves filled with a wide range of books, it creates the perfect environment for focused learning and self-improvement. -Swathi V II B.Sc. Psychology)

...the quiet communion with thought—where every book feels like a threshold to a new world, every silence a companion. It's a rare space where curiosity is not only encouraged but given form, and where imagination is carefully preserved for those willing to explore. Between the shelves, I'm both a seeker and a student, discovering not just knowledge, but new ways of seeing the world and myself." – Sheena Sahana K., I MA English

One thing I really appreciate about our library is...

...the peaceful atmosphere it offers, making it an ideal space for uninterrupted concentration and reflection. - Sri Nantana S.B. I-BCA, (Shift -2)

... how organized and well-maintained it is. - Roselin Hepziba J, I Psychology

the peaceful environment it provides for reading and learning. The quiet atmosphere allows me to concentrate deeply, whether I'm studying for exams, working on assignments, or simply enjoying a good book. - Sabiha N. (II Zoology)



Compared to other places on campus the library is unique because...

...it serves as the intellectual hub of the campus - Sheema Suman B, II B.Sc. Psychology



LIBRARY

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My Journey with the Library at Auxilium College

For as long as I will remember, the library in my college will be one of my favorite places. There's a unique sense of peace that comes from walking among the shelves, gently touching the spines of books, and knowing that each one holds a new world, a fresh adventure, or a treasure trove of knowledge just waiting to be explored. It's more than just a place filled with books—it is a quiet companion, a helpful guide, and at times, a much-needed refuge from the chaos of daily life. Every time I step into the library, I'm filled with a sense of calm and wonder. It reminds me that there is always more to discover, more stories to experience, and more reasons to stay curious. To me, the library will always hold a special place in my heart—it has helped shape who I am and continues to inspire me every single day.

Sr. Bestonia Wariri II Psychology

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"EDUCATION IS NOT ABOUT KNOWING THINGS OR TAKING LESSONS BUT ABOUT BEING ABLE TO USE THREE LINGOS: THOSE OF THE HEAD, THE HEART, AND THE HANDS... LEARNING SO THAT YOU CAN THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU FEEL AND DO, CAN FEEL WHAT YOU THINK AND DO, AND CAN DO WHAT YOU FEEL AND THINK. UNITY WITHIN A PERSON."

POPE FRANCIS