



**ORTHODOX SYRIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION OF THE EAST  
OUTSIDE KERALA REGION  
ANNUAL CIRCULAR 2016**

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**The Vice-Presidents, Directors, Vicars, Head Masters/Head Mistress,**

**Greetings to all in the name of our Lord!**

Wish you all a blessed New Year!

Let us thank God for being able to carry out the Sunday school activities last year in a fruitful way. We hope and pray that God will continue to shower His blessings in the New Year as well. The cooperation and able leadership of all the office bearers at all levels of Sunday school is earnestly solicited to carry on with our mission in our region. God has given His children to us to shape them according to His wish. In the midst of the attack of widespread materialism today, we have to work hard with dedication and prayer for fulfilling this mission of moulding our children in the light of the Gospel. All the school going children of all parishes must be students of the Sunday School also. May the Holy Spirit strengthen us abundantly in this ministry in this new year.

**A. Text Books**

We follow the text books prepared by OSSAE this year. The text books according to the revised curriculum are available at OKR Office and at Central Office, Devalokam-Kottayam. However, Class VIII and Class X (Section Two) textbooks would be available only at OSSAE and OSSAE- OKR websites this year. Teachers and Students are requested to download the same. According to the revised curriculum the learning process is divided into five stages:

	<b>Category</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Age</b>
1.	Bethlehem	Preschool class	up to age 5
2.	Nazareth	Class I-III	5-7
3.	Galilee	Class IV-VII	8-11
4.	Jerusalem	Class VIII-X	12-14
5.	Tabore	Class XI-XII	15-17

Those who complete the Tabore category will be given the title ‘**Orthodox Vedapraveen Diploma**’.

Grade system is being implemented from the academic year 2016 instead of Rank. Project marks would not be hereby considered to be part of the final Annual Examination marks. Project, Half yearly marks and the Attendance would be qualifying factors for the Class X and Class XII Exams and would not be added to the final examination marks.

**We have certain special criterion for Class XII:** In order to register for Class XII examination, the regular students should have successfully completed Class XI exams and the project works assigned and thereby apply for registration for Class XII exams. Successful completion of Class XII exam confers the title and certificate of “Orthodox Vedapraveen Diploma” to the student. In order to be eligible for “Orthodox Vedapraveen Diploma”, the private students are also requested to complete the above mentioned criterion except the attendance. For Class XII, two activities are mandatory as practical work.

1. Attend the orientation programme conducted by the initiative of District/ Zonal Inspectors in your Diocese.
  - a) The course should be regarding the Teaching Methods.

- b) Any one chapter from Class XII textbook should be taught to the student by a teaching expert.
2. Prepare five lesson plans and teach five classes in your Sunday School under the supervision of the headmasters/ class teacher. Detailed suggestions for the preparation of lesson plans are given in your textbook. Learn it properly, prepare lesson plans and teach with proper preparation.

The following activities should be completed under the leadership of District/ Zonal Inspectors before **September 30, 2016**. (In case of units with more than five students, the activities may be done in the respective units under the guidance of the District/ Zonal Inspectors). The Diocesan Directors should send the final list of eligible Class XII candidates (Private/ Regular) to the OSSAE OKR office based on the report of the District/ Zonal Inspectors on or before **15<sup>th</sup> October 2016**.

### **B. The Inter-Diocesan competition 2015**

As per the decision of the Annual General Body 2015, the inter-diocesan competition for 2015 will be held on **July 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 2016 at STOTS, Nagpur**. The respective Directors must send the list of the eligible students for the competition before **15<sup>th</sup> February 2016** (rf. Circular No.02/2015). **The participants must bring valid documents for their date of birth and Identity.**

The competition is for the following titles in four items under two categories: Senior and Secondary.

Elocution	-Sunday School Prathibha
Solo Song	-Sunday School GanaSugandhi
Quiz	-Sunday School Praveen
Essay	-Sunday School Vijnani

The syllabus for the competition will be that of 2015.

### **C. The Annual General Body Meeting 2016**

The Annual General Body Meeting 2016 will be held on **17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016** at STOTS, Nagpur. All office bearers are requested to book their tickets and make other arrangements to attend this important meeting. The expenses for this meeting can be met by the parish or Sunday schools if they decide so.

### **D. The Updated Website of OKR**

We are delighted to announce that our website is updated and upgraded. All the important information will be posted in the website. **Online registration will be made available for the exams 2016**. The site is updated to help you download all necessary forms and that can be sent back to the OKR Office. Our website is [www.ossaeokr.org](http://www.ossaeokr.org)

### **E. Sathyajyothi online Course**

The *Sathyajyothi* online course introduced by the Church through St. Thomas Orthodox Theological Seminary, Nagpur will definitely enrich our teachers by providing necessary information about the Bible, traditions and faith of the Church. This course fully makes use of the advancement in technology by being it a fully online course. This is the first of its kind in our church. More details can be available from the website [www.stotsonlinestudy.org](http://www.stotsonlinestudy.org). We earnestly recommend all teachers to register for this course taking into account the challenges we face now a days in terms of the faith and practices of the Church.

### **G. Appointment of New Teachers**

As per the decision of the Annual General Body meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2014, a diploma in *Divyabodhanam* or the *Sathyajyothi* course is a pre-requisite for a person, coming from any Christian denominations other than ours, to be appointed as a Sunday school teacher. For more details about *Sathyajyothi* course visit [www.stotsonlinestudy.org](http://www.stotsonlinestudy.org)

### **H. Satellite Examination Centre**

In recent years there are many students, especially coming from the gulf countries, who pursue their higher secular education in different parts of the country want to write their board exam somewhere in Kerala.

OSSAE office Devalokom, Kottayam will be the satellite examination centre in Kerala for such students. Those students who study in Kerala from Outside Kerala Region can also sit for their exam here. We are planning more centres in Kerala for them. They too have to apply for their exam through their respective Sunday schools. This should be clearly informed to the OKR Director at the time of the registration of board exams.

## I. Annual Examinations 2016

All seven Dioceses and the Gulf Region are to follow our year plan strictly and to conduct classes as per the schedule [See appendix I (a) and I (b)]. The half yearly examinations have to be conducted at unit level on **July 24<sup>th</sup>** Sunday in India and in the Gulf on **July 22<sup>th</sup>** Friday. The annual examination for all the classes up to IX and for XI should be held on December **11<sup>th</sup>** Sunday in India and on December **09<sup>th</sup>** Friday in the Gulf. The question papers for examinations for all classes except the class X and Class XII examination will be given by the diocese. However, any change of date for the examination at the diocesan level should be informed to the OKR Director in advance. The syllabus for annual examination is given in the Appendix I (a) and Appendix I (b) of this circular. The rest of the portions are to be taught for half yearly examinations.

CLASS X and Class XII examinations will be held on **December 4<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)** in India and on Dec **2<sup>nd</sup> (Friday)** in the Gulf. The unit should send the application for this to the OKR office on or before **15<sup>th</sup> October 2016**. Everybody has to maintain this deadline strictly. In normal case applications will not be accepted after this date. An additional amount of **Rs.150/-** (hundred and fifty per person) will be charged for late application.

The application must carry the full postal address of the Vicar and HM as the hall tickets and examination materials need to be sent to the units/districts. Those who send the application via email need to inform us about the payment. There will not be any separate reminder for the application. The HMs are advised to inform the students about their application for board exam in advance.

The fee structure of examination is as follows:

Regular student	Rs.200/- (in India)	Rs. 500/- for outside India
Private student	Rs.250/- (in India)	Rs. 500/- for outside India

The Examination Centre fee will be as shown below:

1-10students	Rs.200/-(in India)	Rs-400/ for outside India
11-25students	Rs.300/-(in India)	Rs-500/ for outside India
26 and above	Rs.500/-(in India)	Rs-750/ for outside India

The above fee is as per the decision of the Annual General Body which met on September 12-13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at STOTS. As we did last year, question papers of CLASS X and Class –XII will be prepared by the Examination board and will be distributed in the due course.

## J. Examination Materials

Examination Material such as Hall Tickets, Facing Sheets, Attendance Sheet, and Circular of Rules and Regulations regarding exam will be sent to units/Districts in a packet in the first week of November 2016. The HM/ District Inspector/ Vicar or any other duly authorized person can open the packet to see that everything is in order. If there is any problem they have to intimate the same to our office immediately. The question papers are in a separate sealed packet. The question papers are to be kept under safe custody till the date of examination. Because of this arrangement, application will not be accepted after the deadline mentioned above. The Supervisors of the examination must follow the rules and regulations strictly. The students must write their register number on the facing sheet only.

## K. CLASS X and Class XII Result 2015

The CLASS X examination of last year was held on **6<sup>th</sup> December 2015** (4<sup>th</sup> December in Gulf Region), in which there were **1730 registrants**. **415** students appeared for the class XII examination. The results will be published on **February 8<sup>nd</sup> 2016** in our website- [www.ossaeokr.org](http://www.ossaeokr.org). The diocese, district and units are requested to consider the toppers of the result published by OKR on February 8<sup>nd</sup> for all awards in their respective levels. It is expected that the certificates will be ready by 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016. **The first, second**

**and third rank holders are asked to send a passport size photo to OKR office soon after the publication of result.**

Those who want to apply for re-valuation should do it on or before **12<sup>th</sup> February 2016** with a fee of Rs.250/-. The failed students should realize their limitation and learn more. They can attempt for another time in this year itself. The SAY (save a year) Examination will be on Sunday, **21<sup>st</sup> February 2015** (Gulf SS- Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> February). Those who want to appear for SAY exam should apply in normal application form with a fee of Rs.250/- on or before 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2015. The SAY exam is only for those who have appeared and failed.

### **L. Arts Competition 2016**

All the seven Dioceses and the Gulf region are requested to follow the OKR rules in conducting the Arts Competitions. The headmasters are to be honest in the matters regarding the age of the students and their attendance; this can avoid unnecessary disputes also. Details about this can be read in section VII (page 18) of our Constitution. HMs have to admit students as per their age and the secular classes. There should not be a big gap (more than 1 year) between the two. However, to avoid confusion, the participants of the diocesan level competitions should carry a certificate (of the HM) stating that they are regular Sunday School students and that they have at least 50% attendance in the current year.

The organizers of competitions have to take note of the following changes:

1. For all competitions which involve the use of Bible, any one of the following versions must be used: NRSV, NIV, NKJV and the Orthodox Study Bible.
2. The sub-juniors will have a competitions at the unit level only
3. What we mean by “Secondary students” are those who study for XI and XII in the Sunday School.
4. For Group Song competitions, the children will be divided in to three groups only: all the students up to age 8 will be called Buds, those who are in the age group of 9-13 will be the Premiers and those above 14 up to 19 will be named as Teens. The Buds will not have any competition above the district level.
5. The time allotted for Group song will be three to five minutes instead of just three. As per the constitution a team of group song contains two to five students only. They have to prove their music capabilities only; no type of drama will be entertained (e.g: presenting a couple while singing a marriage song). Those who disobey the regulations will be discarded.
6. Each Diocese has got the freedom to introduce new items for competitions like Drawing and it can be for half an hour.

This year’s syllabus for the Arts competitions is given in Appendix II. All the competitions should be held in the months of August, September, October and November at Unit, District, Zonal and Diocesan levels respectively.

### **M. OVBS 2016**

All the units should conduct the Orthodox Vacation Bible School. The guidelines for conducting OVBS-OKR have already been published. The date and time for conducting it shall be decided at unit level considering the local holidays during Dussera-Diwali, Christmas and summer vacation. For any information regarding OVBS, the units may contact on Mob.8888722164.

### **N. SUNDAY SCHOOL CHARITY DAY-2016**

As per the decision of the Annual General Body meeting of 2010, February first Sunday will be observed as Sunday School Charity day in India. This year it falls on **Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>** for India. For the entire Gulf region the Sunday School Charity day will be on **Friday February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. In order to inculcate the culture of charity we need to do two things. First, give the students an opportunity to visit any charitable institution near to the parish. The visit will certainly create a sense of service to the needy in the minds of students. The HM and teachers can organize this in consultation with the Vicar. Second, collect an amount of pocket money from Sunday School children and other people who are interested to help the poor, there by contributing to the charity project of OKR. This is important as the gulf between rich and poor is widening day by day.

As per the Kalpana OKR-SS/05/2015 of OKR President H. G. Dr. Joseph Mar Dionysius, we took up the **Abhayam** scheme of Pampady Dayara for providing home to the homeless as one of our charity projects this year. Kindly send your contribution before **31<sup>st</sup> January 2016**. The amount shall be deposited as per the following details:

Account name: Pampady Thirimeni Abhayam House Building Project	Address: Convenor, Jubilee House Building Project, Mar Kuriakose Dayara, Pothenpuram P. O, Pampady, Kottayam. Pin Code: 686 502.
Account No.: 0212053000022839.	
IFS Code: SIBL0000212.	

The OSSAE OKR also wishes to build a few houses for the homeless farmers in Maharashtra. Kindly send your Charity day/Mercy day collection to the OSSAE-OKR office as done in the previous years.

### **O. SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY CELEBRATION 2016**

This year the Sunday School day will be on **December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016** in India, the day of the birth of John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord. The Gulf region will observe the day on **Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> of December**. Programs, like flag hoisting, special prayer, and programs by Sunday School students, shall be held on that day. The children shall be given an opportunity for participation in the Holy Qurbana (like Bible reading, sermons, choir, etc.) All efforts are to be made for the success of the cover collection. Envelopes for the same will be sent in the month of September. Those who have not sent last year's contribution should kindly send it at the earliest.

### **CONCLUSION**

We would like to express our profound gratitude to the Metropolitans, Vice-Presidents, Directors, Zonal Secretaries, District Inspectors, Headmasters, Teachers and Parents for all your support and cooperation for the smooth functioning of Sunday School activities. If the District Inspectors, Zonal Secretaries & Diocesan Directors can send their news and reports to the OKR office on time, we can publish these also on our website.

All the correspondence should be sent to the Director in the address below. Now Courier Posts can be sent to the Seminary address given below. They should be DTDC/ speed post. We would like to remind you that we would not be responsible for telephonic conversations made to anyone in the Seminary. For office purposes you can call at **(0)9823740567**. All the payments should be sent either by cheque or by DD only. It should be drawn in favour of **"Orthodox Sunday School"** payable at Nagpur (**Federal Bank A/c # 13390100053545, IFS code FDRL0001339**). Those who avail the NEFT facility should intimate the office about the payment for proper accounting.

We earnestly solicit your prayers and co-operation for the success of our ministry to lead our children in the right path as we were led by our parents and teachers. Joining Rev. Fr. John Mathew, the office manager OKR, and the office team we wish you all a blessed new Sunday School Year.

With warm regards and prayers

In His Mission



Fr. Dr. Bijesh Philip

OSSAE-OKR Director

**Appendix I (a)**  
**SYLLABUS FOR THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION-2016**

(Answers can be written in any of the Language of choice: English/Malayalam/Hindi)

<b>Class</b>	<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Psalm</b>
Balapadam Jesus Kids	Units 2, 3, 4	
Class 1	Chapters 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21	117
Class 2	Chapters 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21	34: 1-6
Class 3	Chapters 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21	40: 1-5
Class 4	<b>Units</b> 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8	27: 1-6
Class 5	Chapters 3, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25	118: 1-10
Class 6	Chapters 3, 6, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25	51: 1-10
Class 7	Chapters 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25	24
Class 8	Chapters 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25	19: 1-10
Class 9	Chapters 3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26	137: 1-9
X	Section 1: Chapters 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15 Section 2 : Chapters 18, 19, 20, 22, 25, 26. St Gregorios of Parumala (Pg. 88 onwards) St Gheevarghese Mar Dionysius (Pg. 79 onwards)	34
XI	Units 1, 2, 3, 5 ( complete Chapters within the units) Holy Qurbana - A Study Chapters 2, 3, 5, 8	143
XII	Main Text: Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27 <b>Rituals are Meaningful</b> :Chapters 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,	91

## Appendix I (b)

### SYLLABUS FOR THE ANNUAL EXAMINATION 2016

(Answer can be written in any of the language of the following choice: English/Malayalam/ Hindi)

Class	Prayer	Songs
Balapadam Jesus Kids	Making of Sign of Cross	
I	a) Psalm 1 b) Our Father.....	a) Bhaktharpukazhcha..... b) Nirtheedaruthe.....
II	a) Psalm 23	a) Akhilajagalpathiye.... b) Sweekaranamnedi...Barekmor
III	a) Prayer before meals b) Prayer after meals	a) Praarthanayinsamayamithallo..... b) YeshuPithrusuthane.....
IV	a) Psalm 133 b) Sudhamullabava....	c) Lokarkupakaaram.....Barekmor d) Paavananibimaare....Barekmor
V	a) KarunayullaDaivame... b) Moran yeshumashiha...	c)Yajamaananvarumanera..... d)Chaarthumneethiye.... Barekmor.
VI	a) Anugrahanganiranjirikonavane.. b) Psalm 4	c) Parishudhaalayamullil.... d) Nirmalanibisleeha....
VII	a) Prayer before communion b) Prayer after communion	c) Bhoovilashesham..... d) Yaachikendum...(3 Stanzas)
VIII	a) Karthave nine stothramcheyyunnathum.... b) Entedaivame (Ps 63) (cf. QurbanaKramam)	c) Paulosesleeha.... d) Anpudayonenin ...(3 stanzas)
IX	a) Mahonathantemaravil irikkunnavanaya karthave ..... b) Mariam paranjathenthinal... (Lk 1: 46-55) (cf. QurbanaKramam)	c) Alivodukrupacheyukanadha..... krupayalenpaapam d) Aadyachaaryathvamkaikond...
X	a) Swabhavaprakaram Maranamillathavanum b) Psalm 113	b) Melpattakar... choleedukakurielaison c) Vaanilumoozhilyedanilum...(2stanzas)
XI	a) Nicene Creed b) Athmavildaridrarayavar... Mat 5: 3-12 (cf. QurbanaKramam)	c) Moshachamachora...praarthanayaalpunyam. d) Maathruvishudha....idavakainmel
XII	a) Urakamillathaunarvullavanaya b) Rathrikalangail..(Ps 134, 119, 117) (cf. QurbanaKramam)	c) Nin murivukaleenettenmooron...(2stanzas) d) Agnimayanmaar..... makkaleduthaagoshikkunnu

**Note:** The remaining portions are to be covered in the first half of the year and they should be examined in the half-yearly examinations. There will not be a separate syllabus for half yearly examinations concerning songs, psalms, and prayers. Our students should know all the common songs and psalms of the Sunday service and all the prayers of the family worship before completing the 12<sup>th</sup> class of Sunday school.

## Appendix II

### Syllabus for the Arts Competition 2016

#### 1. Elocution (one of the topics should be selected just five minutes before the competition).

Sub-Juniors: Any miracle of Jesus

Juniors:

- a) Mercy
- b) Forgiveness

Intermediate:

- 1) Do for others what you want them to do for you (St. Matthew 7:12 )
- 2) You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid (St. Matthew 5 : 14)

Seniors:

- 1) Be Perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect (St. Matthew 5:48)
- 2) O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in Him (Psalm 34:8).

Secondary:

- 1) For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily” (Col. 2:9)
- 2) Blessed are the peacemakers .....(St. Matthew 5:9)

#### 2. Quiz Competition

Seniors: Book of Joshua – 20%  
Psalm 20 to Psalm 30 - 20%  
Gospel according to St. Mark – 20%  
First letter to Corinthians - 20%  
Service of Passover (Pesaha) – 20%

Secondary: Psalm 50-60 – 20%  
Esther – 20%  
I & II Timothy – 20%  
Hebrews – 20 %  
Sacraments – 20%

#### 3. Essay Writing

Seniors: Meaning and Relevance of Sacraments  
Relevance of the life of Pampady Thirumeni in today’s consumerist culture

Secondary: Sharing God and Sharing world  
Life and Social Thought of St. Basil the Great

#### 4. Solo Song: Any Christian song

#### 5. Group Song:

Buds (up to 8 years) – Songs from Holy Qurbana & Special songs  
Premiers (age 9 – 13 years) – Service of Christmas  
Teens (age 14 – 19 years) – Service of Marriage

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#### Notes:

1. All the levels of the Arts competition should be over by the month of December as per our Year plan. These have to be held in the months of August, September, October, and November at Unit, District, Zonal and Diocesan levels, respectively.
2. The competitions for the Sub-Juniors and Buds will be at Unit and District levels only.
3. The age limit for the three groups will be the following: Buds (up to 8 yrs); Premiers (9-13); Teens (14-19).



## Appendix III

### Project work of the Students during 2016

#### A. General Guidelines

1. The Project work is not a classroom assignment. The students can do it in their leisure time or in the break time when they are tired of learning secular subjects.
2. One of the projects given below can be selected for this year. Project of the children of classes IV to VII are to be conducted on an oral level only. Students of Classes VIII to XII should submit it in a well hand-written form.
3. The length of the written project should be from five to ten pages. Photos and other data can be added, if available.
4. Teachers and parents should help the child in developing his/her ideas. Teachers can select books and websites and give the name of these to the students. However, each project should be an independent work of the student.
5. The Class teacher should maintain a register for the internal assessment of the student and the marks for the project should be entered in it. It shall be examined by the HM and verified by the parish priest. Any priest of the district/zone shall be asked by inspector/secretary for evaluating the projects of the CLASS X and Class XII candidates objectively. All those who are in this process should remind themselves that we are serving the Lord and that Christian values should not be compromised at any cost.
6. The mark of the project work can be as follows: Punctuality (2 marks), Text (3 marks), Comprehension of the idea (3 marks), Presentation/Neatness (2 marks). **October 15** is the cut- off date for the submission of the project at unit level.
7. Selected Projects can be presented in front of the people during the anniversary of the Sunday School or on Sunday School day.

#### B. Themes for Projects:

##### Class IV

- 1) Recite the gifts of the spirit with Bible reference
- 2) Recite the names of 12 apostles

##### Class V

- 1) Recite the „I am“ sayings of Jesus with references.
- 2) Make a note of maximum number of liturgical books used in the Church and the occasion of use.

##### Class VI

- 1) Name all the books of the Old Testament
- 2) Write briefly about the life and contribution of Late Lamented Alvares Mar Yulios

##### Class VII

- 1) Write briefly about St. George
- 2) Narrate the main events in the sacrament of Holy Matrimony and its significance.

##### Class VIII

- 1) Prepare a note on the 8 Sundays of Great Lent
- 2) Write briefly about the life of Pampady Thirumeni.

##### Class IX

- 1) Write briefly about the life of St. John Chrysostom
- 2) Prepare a report on Synod of Diamper and its effects on the Malankara Orthodox Church

**Class X**

- 1) Write a note on St. Paul's missionary journeys.
- 2) Write briefly about the life and work of St. Thomas.

**Class XI**

- 1) Write briefly about the contributions of Late Lamented Geevarghese Mar Osthathios.
- 2) Write briefly about the establishment of the Catholicate in Malankara.

**Class XII**

- 1) Write a note on the 9 orders of angels.
- 2) Enumerate the various local traditions used in the Malankara Orthodox Church

## 2016 YEAR PLAN AT A GLANCE

Month	Event	Dates in India	Dates in the Gulf
January	Sunday School Day New Year begins Annual Statements and Annual Reports of Head Masters to District Inspector	03.01.16	01.01.16
February	Charity Day (Jeeva Karunya Dinam) Announcement of Result X/ XII Last date for application for Inter Diocesan competition at OKR Directorate Last date for application for SAY Exam along with fee Annual Statements, Annual Reports of DI to the Zonal Secretary Annual Statements and Annual Reports of Zonal Secretaries to Director Diocesan General Body	07.02.16 08.02.16 14.02.16 14.02.16	05.02.16 02.02.16
March	Annual Reports of Diocesan Directors to the OKR Director		
May	Beginning of Summer Vacation	01.05.16	
June	Reopening after vacation	12.06.16	
July	Half yearly Examination	24.07.16	22.07.16
August	School level Competition Inter Diocesan Competition, STOTS, Nagpur Charity Day collection to be sent to OKR office	17.07.16 21.08.16	
September	OKR Annual General Body Meeting, Nagpur	17-18 Sep.	
October	Zonal Level Competition Last Date for submission of Application Form for X/ XII Exam	15.10.16	
November	Diocesan Level Competition and Teachers Conference Distribution of "Sunday School Day" Kalpana and Envelopes		
December	"Sunday School Day" Celebration Annual Examination for X and XII Annual Examination for Nursery to Class IX and Class XI	04.12.16 04.12.16 11.12.16	02.12.16 02.12.16 09.12.16