

KERALA'S HARVEST FESTIVAL - ONAM 2017

ORGANISED BY UNION 'CAPELLA' ON 29/08/2017

REPORT OF THE PROGRAMME:

Onam is an annual malayali harvest festival celebrated in the Indian state of Kerala. A major annual event for Keralites, it is the official festival of the state and includes a spectrum of cultural events. Drawing from Hindu mythology, Onam commemorates King Mahabali and Vamana. Onam was celebrated at our institution on 29/08/2017. Celebrations included an official function where messages related to the day were shared including the reason for the onam celebration i.e., Onam is celebrated as an outcome of reasons that have to do with mythology as well as old agrarian practices. If one is to go by the myth, then King Mahabali or Maveli was a generous and virtuous ruler, who had once ruled Kerala and the other cause for celebrating Onam is because it is the time of the year when a good harvest has been gathered all over Kerala, resulting in plenitude and happiness. The celebrations for Onam are held for ten days, beginning with the atham asterism in the month of Chingam (August / September) as per the local calendar. The students also conducted many games for the staff kasera kali (musical chair) and students uriyadi (breaking the pot blindfold), vadamvali (tug-of-war) etc.

Date: 29/08/2017

Venue: College premises

Participants: Whole College

List of Events:

- Breaking The Pot
- Tug of War
- Musical Chair



29/8/2017 - Onam Celebrations – distribution of onakkodi (traditional attire of Keralite women)



29/8/2017 – Onam Celebration – Vadam vali (tug-of-war) competition

