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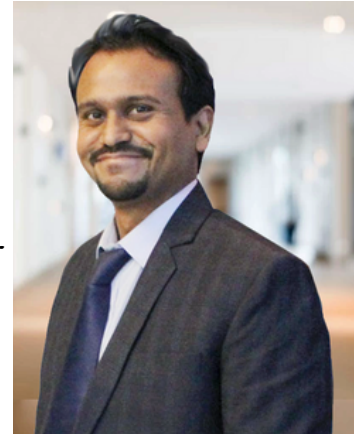
Embracing Transition - Extending a Cordial Welcome to Mr. Denzil D'Souza, Our Newly Appointed Executive Secretary

We are thrilled to announce Mr. Denzil D'Souza as the new Executive Secretary of the Catholic Board of Education Karachi (CBE-K).

With his extensive leadership and finance experience, Mr. D'Souza brings invaluable expertise to our organization.

Previously serving as Financial Controller at CBE-K, Mr. D'Souza's dedication and strategic vision has enhanced our success and stability.

We are confident that his leadership will continue to drive our growth and excellence.



December 02, 2023

Recognition of Principals and Heads

We proudly celebrated the remarkable achievements of our Principals and Heads from Developing institutions in 2023 at the Annual General Meeting held on December 02, 2023, at St. Patrick's High School.

The following Principals and Heads were recognized by the Chairman, Archbishop Benny Travas:

- Ms. Shakila Rashid
- Mr. Paul Anthony
- Ms. Saima Jawad
- Ms. Musarat Raja
- Mr. Ghazanfer Anwer
- Mr. Safdar John
- Ms. Akhter Albert
- Ms. Bina Saleem

"BECOME THE KIND OF LEADER THAT PEOPLE WOULD FOLLOW VOLUNTARILY EVEN IF YOU HAD NO TITLE OR POSITION."

Julia Morgan



January 19, 2024



Teaching Licensure –What's in it for Teachers by Dr. Sajid Ali

On Friday, January 19, 2024, at St. Patrick's High School Auditorium, the Catholic Board of Education Karachi hosted a masterclass on teacher licensing led by Dr. Sajid Ali, Ph.D, of the University of Edinburgh, UK.

Dr. Ali's session, as a professor and Director of Research & Publication at Aga Khan University, was intended to advance teaching careers and foster professional development among the CBE-K staff members.

January 12, 2024



Path to Skill Mastery Session: "How to Learn a New Skill"

The CEO of ABR International, Mr. Rashid Khursheed, conducted a seminar on "How to Learn a New Skill" on January 12, 2024. The topic covered useful strategies for picking up new abilities.

In an engaging structure that promoted active involvement, the Coordinators from every CBE-K school engaged in thought-provoking discussions and exchanged experiences.

We sincerely thank Mr. Khursheed and all attendees for their contributions to this thought-provoking occasion.

January 19, 2024

Holy Childhood Day

On January 19, 2024, a meeting was held with CBE-K religion teachers, to discuss important aspects of CBE-K religious educational goals. The gathering, hosted by Rev. Fr. Afzal Jacob, provided an opportunity to our teachers to engage in meaningful discussion and plan out solemn Holy Mass for students.

On February 1, 2024, the Archdiocese of Karachi held a solemn Holy Mass for CBE-K instructors and students.

The event provided an opportunity for pupils to pray and reflect, strengthening their commitment to their community and faith.

01-03 February, 2024



MISEREOR Consultants Visit and Evaluation

A team of consultants from MISEREOR visited the Catholic Board of Education Karachi from February 1 to 3, 2024. This visit was a collaborative effort to assess and enhance ongoing projects and initiatives. The team included Mr. Wim Piels, Dr. Kiran Hashmi, and Mr. Irfan, accompanied by the CEO of NCEC, Mr. Asher Javaid.

On February 15 and 16, 2024, the MISEREOR consultants briefed the Supervisory Board of NCEC and the Executive Secretaries of CBEs/DBE on their observations for the Catholic educational institutions in Pakistan. His Grace Archbishop Sebastian Francis appreciated the consultants' suggestions and assured their implementation in Catholic educational institutions.



Meeting Between Catholic Board of Education Karachi and Aga Khan University Hospital Delegates

On February 2, 2024, a meeting was held at the Archbishop's House with representatives from Aga Khan University Hospital to explore potential collaborations between EB, IED, FAS, and the Catholic Board of Education Institutes. Attendees included His Grace Archbishop Benny Trivas (Chairman), Mr. Shameem Khursheed (Principal of St. Patrick's College), Rev. Fr. Mario Rodrigues (Principal of St. Patrick's High School) and members of the Academic Committee of the CBE-K. Representing Aga Khan University Hospital were Dr. Carl Amrhein (Provost and Vice President, Academic), Dr. Stephen (Dean of FAS), and Ms. Melaine D'Cruze (Research Supervisor, AKU/IED).

Awaaz Workshop: Mental Health Education

Aawaaz, a mental health and performing arts initiative by Canadian-Pakistani multidisciplinary artist and educator Sara-Maya Kaba, organized a 3-day workshop for teachers and school staff from March 11 to March 13, 2024, in collaboration with the Notre Dame Institute of Education (NDIE). It encompassed a range of sessions aimed at addressing the unique educational sectors. This workshop was specifically designed for elementary school institutions. The workshop covered the following sessions:

- Introduction and Diagnostic Understandings of Health
- Challenges Youth Face Inside and Outside the Classroom
- Personal Well-being and Supporting Others



March 11-13, 2024

March 26, 2024



Enhancing Urdu Teaching Skills for Primary Level Teachers

NDIE organized a free Urdu workshop for primary teachers from developing CBE-K schools. The workshop aimed to enhance teaching skills in Urdu by addressing common challenges in reading comprehension and offering practical solutions. Held on March 26, 2024, in the NDIE Assembly Room, the workshop accommodated up to 30 teachers. By the end of the session, teachers were able to identify common reading comprehension challenges faced by students and provided examples of strategies to address those challenges in their teaching.

