

# THE START Way

## Academic Year 2026–2027



**ST. THOMAS ACADEMY FOR RESEARCH AND TRAINING  
(START)**

***A Residential Institution of the Diocese of Thamarassery***

**Celebrating Twenty Years of Educational Excellence  
2006–2026**

*Residential Higher Secondary Programme*

*Science | Commerce*

*Professional Foundation Training (PFT)*

*Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment*

*Artificial Intelligence • Python Programming • Language Laboratory*

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***In MEMORIAM***  
**Former Bishops and the Founding Director of START**



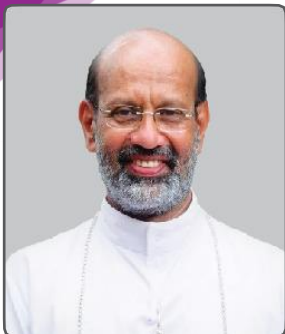
*Mar Sebastian Mankuzhikary    Mar Jacob Thoomkuzhy*



*Mar Paul Chittilapilly*



*Msgr Antony Kozhuvanal*



## PATRON'S MESSAGE

It gives me immense joy to extend my heartfelt greetings and blessings to all the students, parents, teachers, and well-wishers of **St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START)**.

For two decades, START has remained committed to an educational vision that nurtures not only intellectual excellence but also moral integrity, spiritual maturity, and compassionate leadership. In today's rapidly changing world, society needs young people who are guided by truth, faith, and a deep sense of responsibility towards others.

Education, in its truest sense, is not merely about acquiring knowledge or preparing for a profession. It is about forming individuals who can discern what is right, uphold justice, and contribute meaningfully to society. I am happy that START continues to pursue this noble mission through its unique blend of academic excellence, Christian values, disciplined residential life, and holistic formation.

As START celebrates **twenty years of dedicated service**, I express my sincere appreciation to the Director, Management, faculty, parents, alumni, and all who have contributed to this institution's growth. I encourage every student to make the best use of the opportunities offered here and to strive for excellence in both character and scholarship.

May Almighty God continue to bless START and all who are part of this academic community.

With my prayerful blessings,

✠ **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**  
**Bishop of Thamarassery**  
**Patron, START**



## GOVERNING BOARD

### St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START)

Patron

✠ **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**  
Bishop of Thamarassery

Chairman

**Msgr. Abraham Vayalil**

Ex-officio Members

**Rev. Dr Sebastian Kavalakattu**  
**Rev. Fr. Benny Mundanattu**

Director

**Rev. Dr. Subin Kizhakkeveettil**

General Secretary

**Rev. Dr. George Paimpillil**

President, St. Thomas Foundation (The Netherlands)

**Rev. Dr. Gerard Bruggink**

Secretary

**Rev. Fr. Jyothis Cherusseril**



## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Students, Parents and Friends,

It is with great joy that I welcome you to the 2026–2027 academic year at St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START).

Having completed twenty years of dedicated service in the field of education and formation, START enters a new chapter with renewed vision, greater commitment, and deeper gratitude to Almighty God. We thankfully acknowledge the unwavering support of our Patron, Management, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, benefactors, and well-wishers who have been part of this remarkable journey.

At START, education is much more than academic achievement. We believe in the holistic formation of every student—intellectually, morally, spiritually, emotionally, and socially.

As the world continues to evolve rapidly, we remain committed to providing an education that is both future-oriented and value-based. Through our Residential Higher Secondary Programmes in Science and Commerce, Professional Foundation Training (PFT), Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment, Artificial Intelligence and Python Programming, and preparation for national-level competitive examinations, we strive to equip our students with the knowledge, skills, and character needed to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

May your years at START be filled with joyful learning, lasting friendships, personal growth, and God's abundant blessings.

**Rev. Dr Subin Kizhakkeveetil**  
Director, START

## MESSAGE

Dear Students,

Knowledge is power. But the kind of power that truly transforms lives—your own and those of others—comes not just from books, but from within. It begins the moment you discover who you are and what unique gifts you carry.

Each one of you has talents waiting to be uncovered, refined, and shared with the world. Don't be afraid to follow the subjects or paths where your natural abilities shine. That's not just ambition—it's your calling. And when you combine that calling with hard work, you begin to climb toward the peak of your potential.

In this age of constant comparison, it's easy to doubt yourself or feel left behind. But I urge you: do not measure your worth against others. You are not here to be someone else— you are here to be fully and authentically yourself. Your light is not meant to copy another's. It is meant to shine in its own unique way. Let it shine brightly. And just as importantly, give others the space and encouragement to shine too.

Let unity grow among you—not through pressure or forced agreement, but through mutual respect, shared values, and a spirit of kindness. When we honour each other's differences and strengths, we become stronger together.

Your journey matters. Not just where you arrive, but how you travel, and how many lives you touch along the way. So walk forward with courage, with purpose, and with hope.



**Rev. Dr George Paimpillil**

Pioneer and General Secretary, START



# THE PURPOSE OF START

START was founded with a noble vision of identifying and nurturing talented young people, particularly from the hilly regions of the Diocese of Thamarassery, by providing them with opportunities for quality education, holistic formation, and leadership development.

The Academy seeks to bring out the very best in every student by helping them discover their unique talents, develop their intellectual abilities, strengthen their moral character, deepen their Christian faith, and cultivate a spirit of service. Our mission is to enable students to discern their vocation in life, make responsible choices, and confidently pursue the path to which God calls them.

Beyond the quality of education, START is committed to forming responsible citizens, committed Christians, and compassionate leaders who will contribute meaningfully to their families, society, the nation, and the Church. Through disciplined living, personal mentoring, spiritual formation, leadership training, and quality education, we strive to prepare young people who will become agents of hope, integrity, justice, and positive transformation in the world.

At START, every student is encouraged not merely to succeed in life, but to live a life of purpose, faith, and service, realising his or her fullest God-given potential.

*"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."*

— Nelson Mandela





# OUR STORY

## *Two Decades of Educational Excellence*

### **Our Humble Beginnings**

St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START) is an educational initiative of the **Catholic Diocese of Thamarassery**, established with the vision of providing quality education integrated with Christian values, leadership formation, and the holistic development of young people.

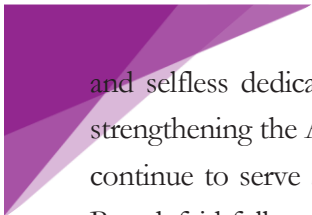
START was inaugurated on **1 June 2006** by **Mar Paul Chittilapilly**, the then Bishop of Thamarassery, in a rented building near Chevayur Junction, Kozhikode.

**Rev. Dr Antony Kozhuvanal** was appointed as the first Administrative Director, while **Mr Abraham Kurian, IPS (Retd.)**, assumed office as the Academic Director. **Mr Matthew J. Parel**, an eminent educationist, joined the institution as the Dean of Studies and Head of the Department of English, laying a strong academic foundation for the Academy.

### **Building the Future**

From its very inception, START was blessed by the commitment and generous support of **Rev. Dr George Paimpillil** and **Rev. Dr Gerard Bruggink**, who worked closely with the Founding Director, **Rev. Dr Antony Kozhuvanal**, in transforming the vision of START into reality. Through their international collaboration, generous financial assistance,





and selfless dedication, they played a pivotal role in establishing and strengthening the Academy during its formative years. Even today, they continue to serve START as distinguished members of its Governing Board, faithfully supporting its mission and future development.

Throughout its journey, START has also been greatly blessed by the paternal guidance, pastoral care, and encouragement of **His Excellency Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**, Bishop of Thamarassery and Patron of the Academy. His inspiring leadership, constant support, and deep commitment to Catholic education have been a source of strength to the Management, faculty, students, and the entire START family.

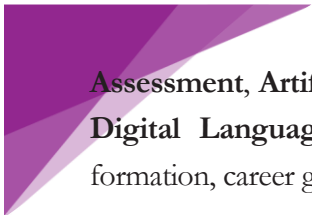
With the steady growth of the institution, START shifted to its permanent campus in **June 2008**. The new academic complex was formally inaugurated on **28 January 2009** by **His Eminence Adrian Cardinal Simonis**, Archbishop of Utrecht, The Netherlands, in the presence of **Mar Paul Chittilapilly**, **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**, **Rev. Dr. Gerard Bruggink**, **Rev. Dr. George Paimpillil**, and numerous distinguished guests, benefactors, and well-wishers.

## **A New Phase of Growth**

A significant new chapter in the history of START began on **1 February 2021**, when **Rev. Dr Subin Kizhakkeveettil** assumed office as the Director of the Academy. Building upon the strong foundations laid by his predecessors, START entered a period of remarkable growth and innovation while remaining firmly rooted in its founding ideals.

Under his leadership, the Academy introduced the **Residential Higher Secondary Programme**, **START Advanced Centre for Aptitude**





**Assessment, Artificial Intelligence and Python Programming**, the **Digital Language Laboratory**, and a wide range of leadership formation, career guidance, and student enrichment initiatives.

In **2024**, START commenced its **Residential Higher Secondary Programme**, initially offering **Commerce** and **Humanities**. In **2026**, responding to the increasing demand for quality residential education, the Academy expanded further by introducing the **Science stream**.

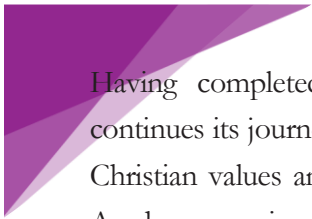
## **START Today: A Centre of Excellence**

Today, START offers Residential Higher Secondary Education in **Science** and **Commerce**, the **Professional Foundation Training (PFT)** programme, language training in **English, German, French, and Italian**, **Artificial Intelligence and Python Programming**, and the **START Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment**.

Through its **ARISE Summer Comprehensive Training Programme**, **EUREKA MOMENT** vacation camps, and a variety of enrichment programmes for students from **Classes IV to XII**, the Academy continues to nurture integral formation, communication skills, logical reasoning, creativity, leadership, and personality development.

Beyond its own campus, START has become a recognised centre for **career guidance, aptitude assessment, life-skill development, and teacher-parent orientation programmes**, extending its educational services to schools and colleges across Kerala through seminars, workshops, and training programmes.





Having completed **two decades of dedicated service**, START continues its journey with renewed vision and commitment. Guided by Christian values and inspired by its mission of holistic education, the Academy remains steadfast in forming young men and women who are intellectually competent, spiritually enlightened, morally upright, socially responsible, and committed to building a more just, compassionate, and peaceful society.

## **Our Vision**

To be a centre of excellence in education and human formation by nurturing academically competent, morally upright, spiritually grounded, and socially responsible leaders who contribute positively to the Church, the nation, and the global community.

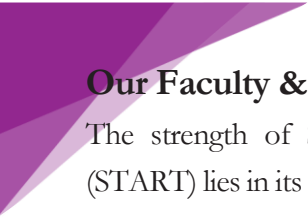
## **Our Mission**

At START, we believe that education is far more than the acquisition of knowledge or preparation for a profession. Its true purpose is the harmonious formation of the whole person—intellectually, morally, spiritually, emotionally, physically, and socially.

We are committed to providing an integrated educational experience that combines intellectual development with Christian values, disciplined residential life, leadership formation, personal mentoring, and social responsibility. Through innovative learning, national-level competitive examination coaching, language education, aptitude assessment, Artificial Intelligence, life-skill development, and holistic formation, we inspire every student to discover his or her God-given potential and prepare for a life of purpose, integrity, and service.

**Learning Today... Leading Tomorrow... Towards Excellence.**





## Our Faculty & Student Support Team

The strength of St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START) lies in its dedicated team of educators, mentors, administrators, and support staff, united by a shared commitment to responsible citizenship and the holistic formation of every student.

Our faculty comprises experienced Higher Secondary School Teachers, university scholars, researchers, professionals, retired educationists, and international academic collaborators. Together, they strive to inspire intellectual curiosity, nurture moral integrity, foster Christian values, and prepare students for higher education, professional excellence, and responsible leadership.

Complementing the academic team is a committed residential and administrative staff who ensure a safe, disciplined, caring, and student-friendly environment. Through personal mentoring, individual attention, and collaborative teamwork, every member of the START family helps create a vibrant learning community where students are encouraged to discover their potential and pursue excellence in every sphere of life.

*"The true teachers are those who help us think  
for ourselves. Teachers should be the best minds  
in the country."*

*— Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan*



## International Academic Network

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil</b><br>(Patron)                          | PhD (Canon Law),<br>Pontifical University of the<br>Holy Cross, Rome, Italy                                                    | 7034313282    |
| <b>Rev. Dr. Subin Kizhakkeveettil</b><br>(Director)                    | PhD (Communicative<br>Anthropology), University of<br>Milan, Italy                                                             | 9744458111    |
| <b>Rev. Dr. George Paimpillil</b> (General<br>Secretary)               | PhD, (History &<br>Inculturation), Tilburg<br>University, The Netherlands                                                      | +31 650813862 |
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| <b>Rev. Dr Binu Kulathinkal</b>                                        | PhD (Patrology), Catholic<br>University of Paris                                                                               | 8281346179    |
| <b>Rev Fr Jyothis Cherusseril</b>                                      | Licentiate in Systematic<br>Theology, <i>Regina Apostolorum</i> ,<br>Rome                                                      | 9526213595    |
| <b>Rev Sr Jennipher PDDM</b>                                           | Licentiate in Biblical<br>Theology, St Peter's<br>Bangalore                                                                    | 8147227316    |

## Residential Life & Student Support

| Name                 | Responsibility                                           | Contact    |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Rev Sr Rose Jose SKD | Residential Coordinator,<br>Trainer, Warden & Mentor     | 9400319886 |
| Mr Mathew J Parel    | Dean of Studies                                          | 8086307380 |
| Mr Febin Jose        | Boys' Warden & Office<br>Executive                       | 9567338824 |
| Mrs Molly Joseph     | Receptionist and Chores<br>Animator, Controller of Exams | 6238549533 |
| Mr Thomas Maria      | Driver and Warden                                        | 9400225771 |
| Mr Akhil Sabu        | Warden Boys                                              | 9074296095 |

"Do small things with great love."

— St. Mother Teresa

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."

— St. Catherine of Siena

"Education is a matter of the heart. Run, jump, make noise, but do not sin."

— John Bosco

## Academic Faculty

| Name                  | Qualification                                                                  | Contact                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mr Agnel Starvin T.   | B.Sc., GATE (Chemistry)                                                        | 9446668297                     |
| Mrs Alida Baby        | MSc (Chemistry) ,B. Ed.                                                        | 9025268460                     |
| Ms Angel Maria Aju    | M.A. (Economics), UGC-NET                                                      | 9645365706                     |
| Mrs Anuvinda Raj      | M.A. (Political Science), SET, B.Ed.                                           | 9497305814                     |
| Mr C. C. Jose         | B.Sc. (Mathematics), B.Ed.                                                     | 9447582313                     |
| Mr E. M. Paul         | M.A. (Economics)                                                               | 7306696463                     |
| Mr E. P. George       | M.A. (Economics) & M.A. (History)                                              | 9847387517                     |
| Mrs Geetha Sasi       | B.Sc. (Mathematics), B.Ed.                                                     | 9048239229                     |
| Ms Janet George       | M.Sc. (Zoology)                                                                | 8921646573                     |
| Mr Jins Urumbil       | M.A. (English)                                                                 | 7025874370                     |
| Mr Joby John          | MCA (Computer Science)                                                         | 9847060905                     |
| Mr Johnson P. Abraham | M.A. (Malayalam), B.Ed.                                                        | 9495644545                     |
| Mrs Kanchana C. A.    | M.A. (English), B.Ed.                                                          | 9747916717                     |
| Mrs Lizykutty P M     | M.A (Hindi), B.Ed, SET                                                         | 8289824006                     |
| Mr Mathew J Parel     | M.A., B. Ed. (Gold Medalist)<br>Founder Principal, Army Public School, Lucknow | 0495<br>2357938,<br>8086307380 |
| Mrs Molly Joseph      | TTC, Spoken English                                                            | 6238549533                     |
| Mrs Neethu Augustine  | M.A. (History), B.Ed.                                                          | 9562608060                     |
| Dr. Nijesh K. James   | PhD (Physics)                                                                  | 7025190275                     |

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| Mr Paul Inchananiyil | MBA, Dublin Business School, Ireland | 7028557021 |
| Mr P. J. Lal         | M.A., M.Sc. (Psychology)             | 9946201293 |
| Mrs Radhika PM       | M.Sc. (Zoology), B.Ed.               | 8156935120 |
| Sr Rose Jose SKD     | MA (English), NLP Trainer            | 9400319886 |
| Mr Shaju C Paul      | M.Sc (Physics), B. Ed.               | 9947311847 |
| Mr Shaju V. K.       | M.A. (Malayalam)                     | 9846502209 |
| Mrs Sheela M. M.     | M.Sc. (Mathematics), B.Ed.           | 9895569282 |
| Mrs Shyja M P        | M. Com (Finance), B.Ed, SET          | 8138832039 |
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"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

— Winston Churchill

"Dream, dream, dream. Dreams transform into thoughts, and thoughts result in action. Excellence is a continuous process and not an accident."

— A. P. J. Abdul Kalam



# COURSES AT START

START offers carefully designed academic and professional courses that combine academic excellence, Christian values, leadership formation, and holistic personal development.

## **1. Residential Higher Secondary Programme (Science & Commerce)**

A two-year residential programme affiliated with the Kerala Higher Secondary Board, designed to prepare students academically, spiritually, and personally for higher education and future careers.

### **Science Stream**

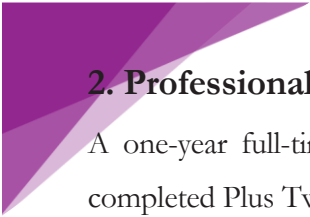
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Biology / Computer Science

### **Commerce Stream**

- Accountancy
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Computer Applications / Mathematics

**Medium of Instruction:** English





## 2. Professional Foundation Training (PFT)

A one-year full-time residential programme for students who have completed Plus Two.

The programme combines academic enrichment, personality development, Christian formation, career guidance, leadership training, and intensive coaching for national-level competitive examinations such as **CUET, KEAM, CLAT, NDA, IPM, NID, CUSAT CAT, JEE Main**, and other entrance examinations.

## PROGRAMMES AT START

To complement its academic courses, START offers a range of specialised programmes aimed at nurturing students' intellectual, personal, professional, and spiritual development.

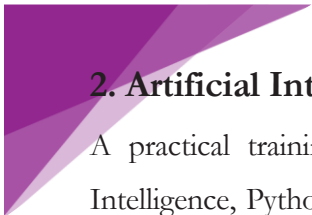
### 1. START Language Lab

Professional training in:

- IELTS
- OET
- German
- French
- Italian (up to B2 Level)

The programme focuses on communication skills, international language proficiency, and global career opportunities.





## **2. Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Python Programming**

A practical training programme introducing students to Artificial Intelligence, Python Programming, digital productivity, and emerging technologies, preparing them for the rapidly evolving digital world.

## **3. MS Office & Tally**

Skill-based training in Microsoft Office applications and Tally equips students with essential computer and office management skills required for higher studies and professional careers.

## **4. START Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment**

A scientific aptitude assessment programme for students from Classes VI to XII.

The programme includes:

- Standardised Aptitude Tests
- Detailed Individual Report Card
- One-to-One Student Counselling
- Parent Consultation
- Career Guidance and Educational Planning

## **5. Career Guidance & Life Skills Programme**

START regularly conducts career guidance seminars, motivational sessions, aptitude orientation, and life-skill development programmes for school and college students throughout Kerala.

The programme includes:



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- Career Planning
  - Goal Setting
  - Leadership Development
  - Public Speaking
  - Interview Skills
  - Logical Reasoning
  - Attitude Building
  - Mental Well-being
  - Personality Development

## **6. Arise – Summer Comprehensive & Intensive Training Programme**

A specialised summer residential training programme for students from Classes V to XII.

The programme focuses on:

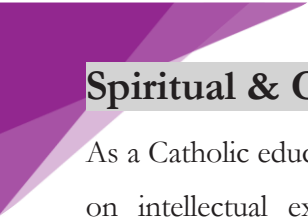
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| ☞ English Communication | ☞ Mental Health           |
| ☞ Mathematics           | Awareness                 |
| ☞ Logical Reasoning     | ☞ Personality Development |
| ☞ Study Skills          | ☞ Goal Orientation        |
| ☞ Leadership Formation  |                           |

## **7. Eureka Moment Camps**

Short-term vacation enrichment camps conducted during school holidays for students from Classes IV to XII.

The camps encourage creativity, curiosity, scientific thinking, communication skills, teamwork, and confidence through interactive learning experiences.





## Spiritual & Character formation

As a Catholic educational institution, START places equal importance on intellectual excellence and character formation. Students are nurtured through:

- Daily Holy Mass
- Evening Rosary
- Personal Mentoring
- Christian Value Education
- Leadership Formation
- Community Living
- Service Orientation: These programmes help students grow into intellectually competent, spiritually grounded, morally upright, and socially responsible individuals.

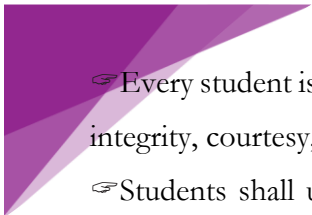
## STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

### Rules and Regulations

St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START) is committed to fostering an environment of quality education, Christian formation, personal discipline, and community living. Every student is expected to uphold the institution's values, traditions, and regulations and contribute positively to the life of the Academy.

**I. General Conduct:** Students are expected to protect the dignity of every individual irrespective of religion, language, caste, gender, or social background.





☞ Every student is expected to conduct himself/herself with honesty, integrity, courtesy, and respect for all persons.

☞ Students shall uphold the good name and reputation of START both within and outside the campus.

☞ Every student is expected to contribute positively to the academic, spiritual, cultural, and community life of the institution.

☞ Behaviour that disrupts the peace, harmony, discipline, or safety of the institution shall not be tolerated.

☞ Students must comply with all instructions issued by the Director, faculty members, wardens, mentors, and authorised staff.

## **II. Academic Discipline**

☞ Academic excellence and character formation shall remain the primary objective of every student.

☞ Students are expected to prepare diligently for the Higher Secondary curriculum and for National and State-level competitive examinations.

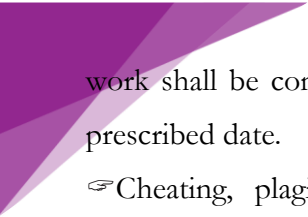
☞ Students shall attend all classes, study sessions, examinations, and academic activities punctually.

☞ Students should be present in their classrooms before the arrival of the teacher.

☞ Every student shall bring the prescribed textbooks, notebooks, and other learning materials required for the day's classes.

☞ Assignments, projects, practical records, and other academic





work shall be completed carefully and submitted on or before the prescribed date.

☞ Cheating, plagiarism, malpractice, or any form of academic dishonesty shall be treated as a serious offence.

### **III. Attendance and Leave**

☞ Regular attendance at all classes, study sessions, examinations, prayers, and institutional programmes is compulsory.

☞ Students shall not leave the classroom or campus during working hours without prior permission from the Director or authorised authority.

☞ Students should ordinarily arrive at their classrooms at least ten minutes before the commencement of classes.

☞ Leave shall be granted only for genuine and exceptional reasons.

☞ Applications for leave should normally be submitted in advance and signed by the parent or guardian.

☞ Medical leave shall be supported by a valid medical certificate wherever necessary.

☞ Students who remain continuously absent without authorisation may have their names removed from the rolls.

☞ Students who fail to maintain the prescribed attendance may not be eligible to appear for the annual or public examinations in accordance with the applicable regulations.



## **IV. Respect and Courtesy**

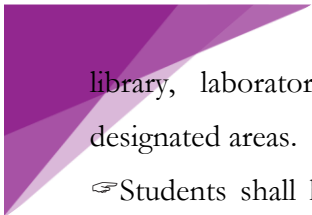
- ☞ Students shall treat all teachers, staff members, visitors, parents, and fellow students with dignity, courtesy, and respect.
- ☞ Offensive language, bullying, intimidation, harassment, abusive behaviour, or any action that hurts the dignity or self-respect of another person shall not be tolerated.
- ☞ Students shall greet teachers and elders respectfully.
- ☞ Courtesy, humility, discipline, and good manners are expected at all times.

## **V. Christian Formation**

- ☞ As a Catholic institution, START places great importance on spiritual and moral formation.
- ☞ Daily prayer, Holy Mass, Rosary, retreats, recollections, catechism, and other spiritual programmes form an integral part of campus life.
- ☞ Students are expected to participate reverently in all programmes prescribed by the institution.
- ☞ Students belonging to other faith traditions are expected to respect the religious practices and values of the institution.

## **VI. Residential Life**

- ☞ Students shall actively participate in the residential life of the Academy.
- ☞ Silence shall be maintained in the chapel, study halls, dormitories,



library, laboratories, computer centre, washrooms, and other designated areas.

☞ Students shall keep their dormitories, classrooms, surroundings, and common facilities neat, clean, and orderly.

☞ Every student shall willingly participate in assigned chores, gardening, cleaning, and other community responsibilities.

☞ Community life demands cooperation, mutual respect, responsibility, and consideration for others.

## **VII. Uniform and Personal Appearance**

☞ Students shall wear the prescribed uniform neatly, modestly, and with dignity.

☞ Personal appearance shall always reflect simplicity, cleanliness, and discipline.

☞ Hairstyles, jewellery, and attire inconsistent with the values and regulations of the institution are not permitted.

☞ Students are expected to maintain good personal hygiene and present themselves neatly and respectably.

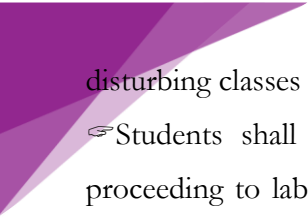
## **VIII. Campus Discipline**

☞ Students shall remain within authorised areas of the campus.

☞ Entry into offices, staff rooms, kitchens, stores, and other restricted areas is permitted only with prior authorisation.

☞ Running, shouting, whistling, playing in corridors or classrooms, or





disturbing classes and study sessions is prohibited.

☞ Students shall move quietly and in an orderly manner while proceeding to laboratories, the library, chapel, dining hall, or other facilities.

## **IX. Mobile Phones and Digital Devices**

☞ Students are permitted to use mobile phones only on the days and during the time periods specifically designated by the Management. At all other times, mobile phones shall remain switched off and deposited in the place prescribed by the institution.

☞ Mobile phones shall not be brought to classrooms, study halls, the chapel, dining hall, or other academic and community areas except with the prior permission of the Director.

☞ The use of mobile phones, computers, and other digital devices shall always be responsible, respectful, and consistent with the values and regulations of the institution.

☞ Misuse of digital technology, social media, artificial intelligence, or the internet—including cyberbullying, accessing inappropriate content, recording or sharing photographs or videos without permission, or engaging in academic dishonesty—shall be treated as a serious disciplinary offence. Exceptions may be made with the written permission of the Director for academic or emergency purposes.

☞ Institutional computers, internet facilities, and digital resources shall be used responsibly and exclusively for educational purposes.



## X. Safety and Institutional Property

- ☞ Students shall respect and safeguard all institutional property.
- ☞ Damage caused intentionally or through negligence shall be repaired or compensated by the student concerned.
- ☞ Students shall not borrow, lend, or exchange money or valuable articles without permission.
- ☞ The institution shall not be responsible for the loss of personal belongings. Students are advised to label their belongings clearly.
- ☞ Possession or use of alcohol, tobacco, narcotic substances, intoxicants, or other prohibited materials is strictly forbidden and may result in immediate dismissal.
- ☞ Students suffering from contagious illnesses shall not attend classes until medically certified fit.

## XI. Visitors and Home Visits

- ☞ Students may receive only authorised visitors during the prescribed visiting hours.
- ☞ Parents and guardians are welcome to visit their wards on **Sundays from 2.00 p.m. onwards**, or at such times as may be notified by the institution.
- ☞ Outings and home visits shall be permitted only according to the institutional calendar or with the prior approval of the Director.
- ☞ Students shall return to the campus punctually after holidays and authorised leave.



## **XII. Fees and Financial Obligations**

☞ Tuition fees, hostel fees, and other institutional charges shall be paid on or before the prescribed due dates.

☞ Hostel fees shall ordinarily be paid on or before the **first day of each month**.

☞ Delay in payment without prior approval may attract a late fee or such penalty as may be determined by the Management.

☞ Parents experiencing genuine financial difficulty are encouraged to meet the Director so that appropriate arrangements may be considered.

☞ The Management reserves the right to revise fees whenever necessary.

## **XIII. Co-curricular Participation**

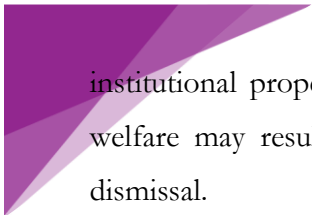
☞ Participation in academic, cultural, sports, leadership, spiritual, and community programmes organised by START forms an integral part of student formation.

☞ Every student is expected to participate wholeheartedly in all institutional activities unless specifically exempted.

## **XIV. Disciplinary Measures**

☞ Persistent indiscipline, disrespect towards teachers or staff, bullying, violence, academic dishonesty, substance abuse, damage to





institutional property, or behaviour detrimental to the institution's welfare may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or dismissal.

☞ The Management reserves the right to take appropriate action in the best interests of the institution and the student community.

## **XV. Amendments**

The Director and the Management reserve the right to interpret, amend, modify, or establish rules and regulations as deemed necessary to further the mission, objectives, and the orderly functioning of the institution.

## **ADMISSION AND WITHDRAWAL**

1. Admission is open to all eligible students, subject to the norms of selection and the availability of seats.
  2. Every candidate for admission must be introduced by the parents/guardian who will be responsible for his/her conduct, progress in studies, discipline and payment of fees.
  3. Applications for admission shall be submitted online through [www.startindia.org/online](http://www.startindia.org/online) or in the prescribed application form. The application shall be submitted by the parent/guardian, along with the Birth Certificate and Aadhaar Card for verification.
  4. Students registering from other schools must produce the transfer certificate (TC) before admission. The Transfer Certificate will be issued only when the parent/guardian applies for it. Those who apply for TC should pay the fees due till the date of application.
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## **School Year**

The school year is from June to March; the working hours are from 8.15 am to 3:00 pm. There will be 7 hours a day.

## **Curriculum**

The school follows the curriculum and syllabus of the Kerala Higher Secondary Board of Education. Hindi and Malayalam are additional languages taught. Students are prepared for the above-mentioned Board of Examinations.

## **Achievement Report**

An achievement report will be issued after every examination. Parents are requested to come and sign the Achievement Report as scheduled in the school calendar. Grades will be awarded in the Achievement Report

## **School Uniform**

To foster a sense of unity and instil discipline, all students must wear the prescribed uniform.

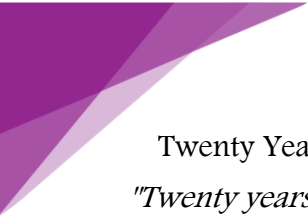
For Boys: Blue pants, grey shirts and a belt.

For Girls: Blue pants, grey shirts and blue overcoats.

## **Examinations:**

The academic progress of the student is tested by means of class tests and two semester examinations. Students are not allowed to absent themselves from tests or examinations without the permission of the Director. The tests and exams will not be conducted a second time.





# THE START JOURNEY

Twenty Years of Educational Excellence (2006–2026)

*"Twenty years is not merely a celebration of the past; it is a renewed commitment to shaping the future through faith, knowledge, leadership, and service."*

**21 January 2005**

## **A Vision Takes Root**

The foundation stone of St. Thomas Academy for Research and Training (START) was blessed by **His Eminence Adrian Cardinal Simonis**, Archbishop of Utrecht, The Netherlands, marking the beginning of a visionary educational mission of the Diocese of Thamarassery.

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**1 June 2006**

## **START Begins Its Journey**

START commenced its educational mission in a rented building near Chevayur Junction, Kozhikode, with the vision of providing quality education integrated with Christian values, leadership formation, and holistic human development.

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**3 July 2006**

## **Foundation Stone Laid**

The foundation stone of the Academy was laid by **Mar Paul Chittilapilly**, the then Bishop of Thamarassery, reaffirming the Diocese's commitment to quality education.

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2006

### **A Strong Foundation**

**Rev. Dr. Antony Kozhuvanal** assumed office as the Founding Director, while **Mr Abraham Kurien, IPS (Retd.)**, became the Founding Academic Director, laying the administrative and academic foundations of the Academy.

During the formative years, **Rev. Dr. George Paimpillil** and **Rev. Dr. Gerard Bruggink** worked tirelessly alongside the Founding Director to transform the vision of START into reality. Through international collaboration, strategic planning, generous financial support, and unwavering commitment, they played a pivotal role in establishing and strengthening the Academy. Their continued guidance and support remain an enduring source of strength for START.

**Mr Mathew J. Parel**, an eminent educationist and Founder Principal of Army Public School, Lucknow, joined the Academy as Dean of Studies and Head of the Department of English, laying a strong academic foundation and fostering a culture of excellence.

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15 January 2008

### **Academic Building Blessed**

The new academic building at Bishop Mankuzhikary Nagar was blessed, paving the way for the Academy's expansion.

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June 2008

**Permanent Campus**

START shifted to its permanent campus at Kottooli, providing enhanced academic and residential facilities in a serene learning environment.

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28 January 2009

**Academic Campus Inaugurated**

The permanent academic campus was inaugurated by **His Eminence Adrian Cardinal Simonis**, Archbishop of Utrecht, The Netherlands, in the presence of **Mar Paul Chittilapilly**, **Mar Jacob Thoomkuzhy**, **Mar George Valiamattam**, **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**, benefactors, and numerous distinguished guests.

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11 September 2014

**Ave Maria Hostel Foundation Stone**

The foundation stone of the Ave Maria Hostel was laid by **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**, Bishop of Thamarassery, initiating a major expansion of START's residential facilities.

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16 January 2016

**Ave Maria Hostel Inaugurated**

The Ave Maria Hostel was blessed and inaugurated by **Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil**, strengthening the Academy's commitment to residential education and holistic student formation.





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**1 February 2021**

**A New Era of Growth**

**Rev. Dr Subin Kizhakkeveetil** assumed office as Director, ushering START into a new phase of academic innovation, institutional development, international collaboration, and holistic student formation.

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**June 2023**

**Artificial Intelligence & Python Programming**

START introduced its Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Python Programming Programme, preparing students with future-ready digital competencies and computational thinking.

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**2024**

**Residential Higher Secondary Programme**

START launched its Residential Higher Secondary Programme, initially offering Commerce and Humanities, opening a new chapter in residential education.

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**2025**

**START Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment**

The Academy established the START Advanced Centre for Aptitude Assessment, offering scientific aptitude assessment, individual counselling, career guidance, and educational planning for students from Classes VI to XII.





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**2026**

**Science Stream Introduced**

Responding to the growing demand for quality residential education, START expanded its Higher Secondary Programme by introducing the Science Stream.

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**2026**

**Celebrating Twenty Years**

As START celebrates Twenty Years of Educational Excellence, the Academy gratefully remembers its founders, patrons, benefactors, faculty, parents, alumni, and students whose dedication has shaped its remarkable journey. Guided by Christian values and inspired by its mission of holistic education, START renews its commitment to nurturing academically competent, morally upright, spiritually grounded, and socially responsible leaders who will contribute meaningfully to the Church, the nation, and the global community.

*Learning Today... Leading Tomorrow... Towards Excellence.*





## START Academic Calendar 2026-2027

### JULY 2026

|    |     |                                                                                  |
|----|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Wed | Class                                                                            |
| 2  | Thu | Class                                                                            |
| 3  | Fri | Holiday / <b>Dukhrana of Saint Thomas, the Apostle</b> / First Friday: Adoration |
| 4  | Sat | Class/ <b>Arrival of Plus One and PFT Students</b>                               |
| 5  | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism                                                               |
| 6  | Mon | Class/ Saint Maria Goretti                                                       |
| 7  | Tue | Class/ Global Forgiveness Day                                                    |
| 8  | Wed | Class                                                                            |
| 9  | Thu | Class                                                                            |
| 10 | Fri | Class                                                                            |
| 11 | Sat | Class / World Population Day                                                     |
| 12 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism                                                               |
| 13 | Mon | Class                                                                            |
| 14 | Tue | Class                                                                            |
| 15 | Wed | Class                                                                            |
| 16 | Thu | Class /Our Lady of Mount Carmel                                                  |
| 17 | Fri | Class                                                                            |

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| 18 | Sat | Class / Nelson Mandela International Day                                                                                            |
| 19 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                                                                                 |
| 20 | Mon | <b>Academic Year Inauguration (Lectio Inauguralis)</b> by His Excellency Mar <b>Remigiose Inchananiyil</b> , International Moon Day |
| 21 | Tue | Class                                                                                                                               |
| 22 | Wed | Class                                                                                                                               |
| 23 | Thu | Class                                                                                                                               |
| 24 | Fri | Class                                                                                                                               |
| 25 | Sat | Class / Saint James, the Apostle                                                                                                    |
| 26 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism / Kargil Vijay Diwas                                                                                             |
| 27 | Mon | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                                                                         |
| 28 | Tue | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / <b>Saint Alphonsa</b> / World Nature Conservation Day                                                 |
| 29 | Wed | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                                                                         |
| 30 | Thu | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / International Day of Friendship                                                                       |
| 31 | Fri | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Saint Ignatius of Loyola                                                                              |

"Every action you take is a vote for the type of person you wish to become."

—James Clear (Atomic Habits)



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### AUGUST 2026

|    |     |                                                              |
|----|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Sat | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Saint Alphonse Liguori         |
| 2  | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism / <b>Home Visit</b>                       |
| 3  | Mon | Holiday                                                      |
| 4  | Tue | Holiday / <b>Return from Home</b> / Saint John Maria Vianney |
| 5  | Wed | Class                                                        |
| 6  | Thu | Class / Hiroshima Day /Transfiguration of Our Lord           |
| 7  | Fri | Class / First Friday Adoration                               |
| 8  | Sat | Class / Saint Dominic                                        |
| 9  | Sun | Holiday / Catechism Nagasaki Day/Quit India Day              |
| 10 | Mon | Class                                                        |
| 11 | Tue | Class / Saint Clare                                          |
| 12 | Wed | Class / International Youth Day                              |
| 13 | Thu | <b>First Term Exam Begins</b>                                |
| 14 | Fri | <b>First Term Exam</b> / Saint Maximillian Kolbe             |

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| 15 | Sat | <b>First Term Exam</b> / Independence Day / Assumption of our Lady    |
| 16 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                   |
| 17 | Mon | <b>First Term Exam</b> / Kerala Farmers Day                           |
| 18 | Tue | <b>First Term Exam</b>                                                |
| 19 | Wed | <b>First Term Exam</b> / World Humanitarian Day                       |
| 20 | Thu | <b>First Term Exam</b> / World Mosquito Day / National Sadbhavana Day |
| 21 | Fri | <b>Onam Celebration</b> / Onam Break begins                           |
| 22 | Sat | Onam Break                                                            |
| 23 | Sun | Onam Break / Saint Bartholomew, the Apostle                           |
| 24 | Mon | Onam Break                                                            |
| 25 | Tue | Onam Break                                                            |
| 26 | Wed | Onam Break / <i>Thiruvonam</i>                                        |
| 27 | Thu | Onam Break, <b><i>Eureka Moment Camp</i></b>                          |
| 28 | Fri | Onam Break / Saint Augustine / <b><i>Eureka Moment</i></b>            |
| 29 | Sat | Onam Break / Saint Euphrasia / <b><i>Eureka Moment</i></b>            |
| 30 | Sun | Onam Break                                                            |
| 31 | Mon | <b>Students coming back after Onam Break</b>                          |

"It's the possibility of having a dream come true  
that makes life interesting."

—Paulo Coelho

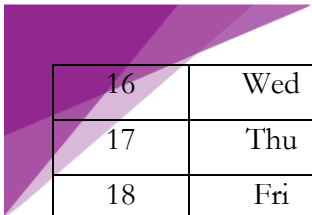
(The Alchemist)



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### SEPTEMBER 2026

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| 1  | Tue | <b>Class</b>                                                    |
| 2  | Wed | Class                                                           |
| 3  | Thu | Class                                                           |
| 4  | Fri | Class/ Sri Krishna Jayanti                                      |
| 5  | Sat | Class / <b>Teacher's Day</b> /Saint Theresa of Calcutta         |
| 6  | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism /Death Anniversary of Mar Paul Chittilapilly |
| 7  | Mon | Class                                                           |
| 8  | Tue | Class/World Literacy Day/ Nativity of Our Lady                  |
| 9  | Wed | Class                                                           |
| 10 | Thu | Class                                                           |
| 11 | Fri | Class                                                           |
| 12 | Sat | Class                                                           |
| 13 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism                                              |
| 14 | Mon | Class /The Exaltation of the Cross / National Hindi Day         |
| 15 | Tue | Class                                                           |



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| 16 | Wed | Class                                                                                 |
| 17 | Thu | Class                                                                                 |
| 18 | Fri | Class                                                                                 |
| 19 | Sat | Class                                                                                 |
| 20 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism / Saint Mathew, the Apostle                                        |
| 21 | Mon | Class / International Day of Peace                                                    |
| 22 | Tue | Class                                                                                 |
| 23 | Wed | Class                                                                                 |
| 24 | Thu | Class /Girl Child Day                                                                 |
| 25 | Fri | Class                                                                                 |
| 26 | Sat | Class /Day of the Deaf                                                                |
| 27 | Sun | Holiday /Catechism / World Tourism Day/Saint Vincent de Paul                          |
| 28 | Mon | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                           |
| 29 | Tue | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / World Heart Day/Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael |
| 30 | Wed | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Saint Jerome                                            |





"When we are no longer able to change a  
situation, we are challenged to change  
ourselves."

Viktor E. Frankl  
(Man's Search for Meaning)

"Doing well with money has little to do with  
how smart you are and a lot to do with how you  
behave."

— Morgan Housel,  
(The Psychology of Money)





# START Academic

## Calendar 2026-2027

### OCTOBER 2026

|    |     |                                                                                              |
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| 1  | Thu | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / National<br>Voluntary Blood Donation Day                       |
| 2  | Fri | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Gandhi<br>Jayanthi/Guardian Angels/ First Friday:<br>Adoration |
| 3  | Sat | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                                  |
| 4  | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism / <b>Home Visit</b> /<br>Saint Francis Assisi                             |
| 5  | Mon | Holiday                                                                                      |
| 6  | Tue | Holiday / <b>Return from Home</b>                                                            |
| 7  | Wed | Class /Feast of our Lady of the Rosary                                                       |
| 8  | Thu | Class/ Indian Air Force Day                                                                  |
| 9  | Fri | Class /World Postal Day                                                                      |
| 10 | Sat | Class /World Mental Health Day/<br>National Postal Day                                       |
| 11 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism                                                                           |
| 12 | Mon | Class                                                                                        |
| 13 | Tue | Class                                                                                        |
| 14 | Wed | Class                                                                                        |

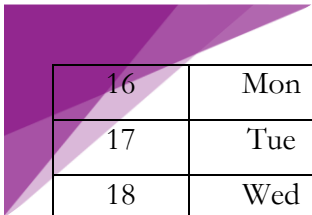
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| 15 | Thu | Class/ World Students Day/Saint Theresa of Avila         |
| 16 | Fri | Class/ World Food Day                                    |
| 17 | Sat | Class/ International Day for the Eradication of Poverty  |
| 18 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism/Mission Sunday                        |
| 19 | Mon | Class                                                    |
| 20 | Tue | Class/ World Statistics Day                              |
| 21 | Wed | Class                                                    |
| 22 | Thu | Class/Saint John Paul II                                 |
| 23 | Fri | Class                                                    |
| 24 | Sat | Class / United Nations Day                               |
| 25 | Sun | Holiday / <b><i>Half-Yearly Catechism Exam</i></b>       |
| 26 | Mon | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                              |
| 27 | Tue | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                              |
| 28 | Wed | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                              |
| 29 | Thu | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / International Internet Day |
| 30 | Fri | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                              |
| 31 | Sat | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / National Integration Day   |



## START Academic Calendar 2026-2027

### NOVEMBER 2026

|    |     |                                                                                  |
|----|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Sun | Holiday / Catechism / <b>Home Visit</b> / Kerala Formation Day / All Saints' Day |
| 2  | Mon | Holiday / All Souls Day                                                          |
| 3  | Tue | Holiday / <b>Return from Home</b>                                                |
| 4  | Wed | Class                                                                            |
| 5  | Thu | Class / Saint Zachariah and Saint Elizabeth                                      |
| 6  | Fri | Class / First Friday: Adoration                                                  |
| 7  | Sat | Class                                                                            |
| 8  | Sun | Class / World Quality Day / Deepavali                                            |
| 9  | Mon | Holiday / Catechism                                                              |
| 10 | Tue | Class / World Science Day for Peace and Development                              |
| 11 | Wed | Class / National Education Day                                                   |
| 12 | Thu | Class                                                                            |
| 13 | Fri | Class                                                                            |
| 14 | Sat | Class / Children's Day / World Diabetes Day                                      |
| 15 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                              |



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| 16 | Mon | Class / International Day for Tolerance                           |
| 17 | Tue | Class                                                             |
| 18 | Wed | Class                                                             |
| 19 | Thu | Class / National Integration Day                                  |
| 20 | Fri | Class                                                             |
| 21 | Sat | Class / World Television Day /<br>Presentation of the Virgin Mary |
| 22 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism / Feast of Christ<br>the King                 |
| 23 | Mon | Class                                                             |
| 24 | Tue | Class                                                             |
| 25 | Wed | Class                                                             |
| 26 | Thu | Class / Indian Constitution Day                                   |
| 27 | Fri | Class                                                             |
| 28 | Sat | Class                                                             |
| 29 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                               |
| 30 | Mon | Class                                                             |

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do  
not rely on your own insight."  
— Proverbs 3:5

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of  
wisdom."  
— Proverbs 9:10

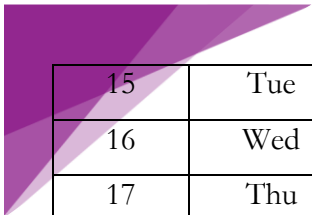




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### DECEMBER 2026

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|----|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Tue | Class / World AIDS Day                                                        |
| 2  | Wed | Class / Computer Literacy Day                                                 |
| 3  | Thu | Class / International Day of Persons with Disabilities / Saint Francis Xavier |
| 4  | Fri | Class / Navy Day / First Friday: Adoration                                    |
| 5  | Sat | Class                                                                         |
| 6  | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                           |
| 7  | Mon | Class/ Armed Forces Flag Day                                                  |
| 8  | Tue | Class /Feast of the Immaculate Conception                                     |
| 9  | Wed | Class                                                                         |
| 10 | Thu | Christmas examination/ Human Rights Day                                       |
| 11 | Fri | Exam/World Asthma Day                                                         |
| 12 | Sat | Exam                                                                          |
| 13 | Sun | Holiday/ Catechism /Saint John of the Cross                                   |
| 14 | Mon | <b>Second Term Exam Begins /</b><br>National Energy Conservation Day          |



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|----|-----|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 15 | Tue | <b>Second Term Exam</b>                                  |
| 16 | Wed | <b>Second Term Exam</b>                                  |
| 17 | Thu | <b>Second Term Exam</b>                                  |
| 18 | Fri | <b>Second Term Exam</b>                                  |
| 19 | Sat | <b>Second Term Exam / Christmas Celebration</b>          |
| 20 | Sun | Holiday / <b>Christmas Vacation Begins</b>               |
| 21 | Mon | Christmas Break                                          |
| 22 | Tue | Christmas Break                                          |
| 23 | Wed | Christmas Break                                          |
| 24 | Thu | Christmas Break                                          |
| 25 | Fri | Christmas Break / Christmas                              |
| 26 | Sat | Christmas Break                                          |
| 27 | Sun | Christmas Break/Saint John, the Apostle                  |
| 28 | Mon | Christmas Break /Holy Childhood Day<br>(The Infants' Day |
| 29 | Tue | Christmas Break                                          |
| 30 | Wed | <b>Return from Home</b>                                  |
| 31 | Thu | Class                                                    |

"Let your light shine before others."

— Matthew 5:16

"The truth will make you free."

— John 8:32

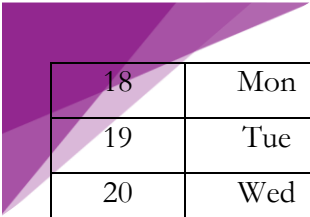




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## JANUARY 2027

|    |     |                                                                                              |
|----|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Fri | Class / World Peace Day / New Year /<br>First Friday: Adoration                              |
| 2  | Sat | Class / Mannam Jayanthi                                                                      |
| 3  | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                                          |
| 4  | Mon | Class                                                                                        |
| 5  | Tue | Class                                                                                        |
| 6  | Wed | Class / <i>Death Anniversary of Rev Fr Antony<br/>Kozhuvanal, Founding Director of START</i> |
| 7  | Thu | Class                                                                                        |
| 8  | Fri | Class                                                                                        |
| 9  | Sat | Class                                                                                        |
| 10 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                                          |
| 11 | Mon | Class                                                                                        |
| 12 | Tue | Class / National Youth Day                                                                   |
| 13 | Wed | Class                                                                                        |
| 14 | Thu | Class                                                                                        |
| 15 | Fri | Class                                                                                        |
| 16 | Sat | Class                                                                                        |
| 17 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism                                                                          |



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|----|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 18 | Mon | Class                                                                                        |
| 19 | Tue | Class                                                                                        |
| 20 | Wed | Class                                                                                        |
| 21 | Thu | Class                                                                                        |
| 22 | Fri | Class                                                                                        |
| 23 | Sat | Class                                                                                        |
| 24 | Sun | Holiday / Catechism / National Girls' Day                                                    |
| 25 | Mon | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Indian Tourism Day / Home Visit                                |
| 26 | Tue | <b>HCC I &amp; HCC II Catechism</b><br><b>University Exam</b> / Republic Day / Flag Hoisting |
| 27 | Wed | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                                  |
| 28 | Thu | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Feast of St Thomas Aquinas                                     |
| 29 | Fri | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b>                                                                  |
| 30 | Sat | Class / <b>Monthly Exam</b> / Martyr's Day                                                   |
| 31 | Sun | Holiday / <b>Home Visit</b>                                                                  |

"Winners don't do different things; they do things differently."

— Shiv Khera,

(You Can Win)





## START Academic Calendar 2026-2027

### FEBRUARY 2027

|    |     |                                                                               |
|----|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Mon | Holiday                                                                       |
| 2  | Tue | Holiday / <b>Return from Home</b>                                             |
| 3  | Wed | Class                                                                         |
| 4  | Thu | Class / World Cancer Day                                                      |
| 5  | Fri | Class / First Friday: Adoration                                               |
| 6  | Sat | Class                                                                         |
| 7  | Sun | Holiday                                                                       |
| 8  | Mon | Class                                                                         |
| 9  | Tue | Class                                                                         |
| 10 | Wed | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                             |
| 11 | Thu | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                             |
| 12 | Fri | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b> / National Productivity Day |
| 13 | Sat | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                             |
| 14 | Sun | Holiday                                                                       |

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| 15 | Mon | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 16 | Tue | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 17 | Wed | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 18 | Thu | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 19 | Fri | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 20 | Sat | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b>                   |
| 21 | Sun | Holiday / International Mother Language Day                         |
| 22 | Mon | Class / <b>Plus One &amp; Plus Two Model Exam</b> / World Scout Day |
| 23 | Tue | <b>Home Visit</b>                                                   |
| 24 | Wed | Holiday                                                             |
| 25 | Thu | <b>Return from Home</b>                                             |
| 26 | Fri | Class / Maha Shivaratri                                             |
| 27 | Sat | Class                                                               |
| 28 | Sun | Holiday / National Science Day                                      |



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### MARCH 2027

|    |     |                                                                        |
|----|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Mon | Class / Study Leave                                                    |
| 2  | Tue | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 3  | Wed | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 4  | Thu | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>National Safety Day       |
| 5  | Fri | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 6  | Sat | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>First Friday: Adoration   |
| 7  | Sun | Holiday                                                                |
| 8  | Mon | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>International Women's Day |
| 9  | Tue | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 10 | Wed | Class / Study Leave / Eid-ul-Fitr                                      |
| 11 | Thu | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 12 | Fri | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 13 | Sat | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                                |
| 14 | Sun | Holiday                                                                |
| 15 | Mon | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>World Consumer Rights Day |

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|----|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 16 | Tue | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                          |
| 17 | Wed | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                          |
| 18 | Thu | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                          |
| 19 | Fri | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>Feast of St. Joseph |
| 20 | Sat | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>World Forest Day    |
| 21 | Sun | Holiday / Palm Sunday                                            |
| 22 | Mon | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>World Water Day     |
| 23 | Tue | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b> /<br>World Climate Day   |
| 24 | Wed | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                          |
| 25 | Thu | Holiday / Maundy Thursday                                        |
| 26 | Fri | Holiday / Good Friday                                            |
| 27 | Sat | Holiday                                                          |
| 28 | Sun | Holiday / Easter                                                 |
| 29 | Mon | Class / Study Leave / <b>Board Exam</b>                          |
| 30 | Tue | <b>Summer Vacation begins</b>                                    |
| 31 | Wed | Holiday                                                          |

"Dream, dream, dream. Dreams transform into thoughts and thoughts result in action."

— A. P. J. Abdul Kalam  
(Wings of Fire)



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#### APRIL 2027

|    |     |                                        |
|----|-----|----------------------------------------|
| 5  | Mon | <b>Faith Fest</b>                      |
| 6  | Tue | <b>Faith Fest</b>                      |
| 7  | Wed | <b>Faith Fest</b>                      |
| 10 | Sat | <b>Catechism Exam</b> (Sunday Schools) |
| 12 | Mon | Arise 2k27                             |
| 13 | Tue | Arise 2k27                             |
| 14 | Wed | Arise 2k27                             |
| 15 | Thu | Arise 2k27                             |
| 16 | Fri | Arise 2k27                             |
| 17 | Sat | Arise 2k27                             |
| 18 | Sun | Arise 2k27                             |

"The only impossible journey is the one you never begin."

—Tony Robbins

(Awaken the Giant Within)

"Change is hardest at the beginning, messiest in the middle, and best at the end."

— Robin Sharma

(The Leader Who Had No Title)

Notes