

Annual Pilgrimage to Bandel

The Annual Pilgrimage for the academic year was organized to **Bandel**, with the participation of approximately 45 students, accompanied by our Principal, Sr. Dr. A. Nirmala, and our Staff Advisor, Mrs. Ingrid Rozario.

The group departed at 8:00 a.m. and travelled by local train, which took a little over one hour each way. The journey was smooth and allowed the students to travel together in a spirit of fellowship and enthusiasm.

Upon reaching Bandel, the group first attended the **Holy Mass at the Basilica of the Holy Rosary, Bandel**. This was followed by the lighting of candles and a time for personal prayer and reflection, giving everyone the opportunity to offer their intentions and seek spiritual renewal.

After the religious observances, the group proceeded to visit the **Hooghly Imambara**, where students learned about its historical and cultural significance. This visit added an educational dimension to the pilgrimage, enriching the overall experience.

Following the visit, lunch was arranged and prepared by the locals, which was warmly received and enjoyed by all. The meal provided a moment of rest and bonding before the return journey.

The group then travelled back by local train and reached home safely by evening. The pilgrimage was a meaningful and enriching experience, fostering spiritual growth, togetherness, and cultural awareness among the students.

