



Mahatma Gandhi Centenary High school, Bondel

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OUR VISION : We, the Ursulines of Mary Immaculate, with one heart and one will, commit ourselves fully for the glory of God and His people, in identification with Christ crucified and risen in imitation of Mary Most Holy and our Foundress, Blessed Brigida of Jesus.

OUR MISSION: In the Holy Catholic Church, we, the Ursulines of Mary Immaculate, contemplating Christ crucified and risen, accompany and serve humanity with special attention to the human and Christian formation of the young and the most vulnerable of society.

Mahatma Gandhi Centenary School has completed its 50 Golden Years of educating the young boys and girls of Bondel and the surrounding hamlets. Until its inception in the year 1970 the children specially those of the lower middle class families were deprived of high school education as there were no high schools in the vicinity. Late Rev. Fr. Gabriel D'Souza, Parish priest of St. Lawrence Church, Bondel, sensed the dire need of providing education for these children after obtaining the consent of Rt. Rev. Basil D'Souza, the Bishop of Mangalore. Land was allotted to the Ursuline Sisters of Mary Immaculate for the purpose of constructing the school building. Under the able leadership of Rev. Mother Stephania, the then Provincial Superior of the Ursuline congregation, commencing of the high school classes took place on May 31st 1970 with the title Mahatma Gandhi Centenary High school, as the year being the very next of the birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi. Rev. Sr. Emmanuela Saldana and Rev. Sr. Natalina Kandankulathy were appointed as the correspondent and Headmistress respectively. Rev. Sr. Edward was the Assistant teacher and in charge of the construction work. Sri ShankerRao was the first graduate assistant. As the new building for the high school was under construction a wing of St.Lawrence Primary school building was used temporarily

for high school. The first batch of S.S.L.C appeared for the examination in 1973 and passed out with very good results. Slowly amenities like computer lab, auditorium, library and science laboratory were extended by the year 1995. The school building was blessed by Rt. Rev. Basil D'souza Bishop of Mangalore on March 30 th 1979.

The school progressed in every sphere of activity besides academics. The starting of various associations like the Scouts and Guides, N.C.C. Naval wing, Parent teacher association, etc. are a few of the milestones in the achievements of the school. Students took active part in sports and games events at district, state and national level bringing laurels to the school. Students were also selected to take part in the state level science exhibition. The long cherished dream of upgrading the school to higher secondary was realized in the year 2002 when permission was obtained from the Higher Secondary department of Education, to start pre- university Education in the school with all three streams of Science, Commerce and Arts. An English medium primary school as feeder school to the high school was a felt need and the management was in the process of discerning and decision-making. At the opportune time a request was made by the Vivekananda English Primary school management to take over their school. The purchase and changeover of the management was made in the year 2003. It was providential that the M.G.C. High School became a full-fledged school with classes from kindergarten to 12 th grade. A new school building for the primary school was constructed and inaugurated in the year 2009. The School ever remains grateful to the alumni, well-wishers and parents of our students for the financial support extended.



