#### OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS SCHOOL, KULLU, HIMACHAL PRADESH:- 175 101, INDIA

## ABOUT OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS SCHOOL, KULLU, H.P., INDIA 175 101

### **VISION STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL:-**

"To nurture young minds to respond to challenges of life with joy and a deep faith in God, self and their fellow beings."

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"To create a learning environment which inspires students to grow in confidence, discover their purpose, achieve their goals as desired by God, as individuals and become committed citizens of India and world."

#### I. GENERAL INFORMATIONS:-

Our Lady of the Snows School, Kullu is a Catholic English Medium co.ed. school, owned and managed by the Simla-Chandigarh Educational Society, Chandigarh of the Simla-Chandigarh Catholic Diocese. It is affiliated to the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination (CISCE). It is a Private, Unaided, Minority and Co-Ed. Christian Institution open to all communities with a special responsibility for the holistic education of all its students.

#### **II. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:-**

Our aim is to become a self-satisfactory, proactive and leading institute offering quality learning, teaching and counselling in the field of education to the students and teachers. Our Lady of the Snows School, Kullu is concerned with holistic education of its students so that the students become enlightened individuals to serve the society. Our aim is to develop the students as rational and balanced human beings and citizens of modern India and the Global Village.

#### **III. OUR TARGET IS:-**

- ⇒ To impart and instil an all-round education based on spiritual and humane values.
- ⇒ To develop a sense of self-respect and responsibility.
- ⇒ To impart appropriate moral and spiritual values.
- ⇒ To create the spirit of tolerance, patience, love and respect for values.
- ⇒ To instil leadership qualities.
- ⇒ To encourage committed social work.
- ⇒ To inculcate all the encompassing qualities of a global citizen.
- ⇒ To enable the learners to keep pace with changing times.
- ⇒ To empower the learners to stride ahead of times.
- ⇒ To make the students intellectually well informed, socially brave and considerate, morally upright, emotionally balanced, physically well developed, capable of loving and serving their fellow beings, nationally upright with integrity and spirit of unity etc...
- $\Rightarrow$  Thus turning boys and girls capable of responding to the challenges of life with joy and a deep faith in God, self and their fellow beings.

# **History of OLS**

Since 1968 'Our Lady of The Snows High School' has been a beacon of knowledge for the students of the valley and the name itself has been synonymous with quality education ever since. From its humble beginnings, OLS has grown strength by strength into an institution that not only boasts of a formidable reputation in the field of education, but also a place known for nurturing generations of students into evolved and receptive human beings.

With this enduring legacy, Our Lady of the Snows School has completed Fifty Five years of selfless service to this valley.

At a time when the Valley struggled to provide its children with quality education, with English as its main medium of instruction, OLS was a pioneer in introducing the CISCE board to Kullu and bringing along with it, a team of dedicated staff and teachers from the Shimla and Chandigarh Diocese. In the year 1968, under the patronage of Bp. Alfred, Fr. Emmanuel and Br. Thomas laid the first foundation of this school and named it 'The Bishop Alfred Grammar School'. As the school grew in strength, number and fame, the administration was compelled to shift the school to a larger premise in Dhalpur, and thus, came to be known in its present form.

Set amidst the beauteous mountains of Kullu Valley, and the song of Beas in the background, OLS has been nothing short of a haven for students looking for tranquility and peace. Add to their advantage, a team of highly qualified teachers, committed to bringing out the best in their wards. With its motto "To Love and To Serve" the school's foremost priority has been to provide a wholesome and all inclusive education to our children. Its holistic methods have always encouraged an inquisitive mind to find the right balance between structure and spontaneity. This being its secret to producing a generation of achievers, OLS can now boast of several success stories. Its students have represented their school in all walks of life and their confidence and demeanor makes them stand out distinct in a crowd. The OLS badge shines through.

Thousands of students have passed out from the corridors of OLS, and carved a niche for themselves in practically every field. Their achievements have inspired and paved a path for their successors. Through its ups and downs, the school has always strove to provide a harmonious and nurturing atmosphere. With changing time and demands of the modern world, it has tried to equip its children with the latest set of tools and keep abreast with the needs of the time. Its system of education emphasizes on pursuit of knowledge that is instantaneous, perceptive and non-accumulative. Armed with these life skills they are free to wander, to question, to inquire and to achieve the goal.

The people of Kullu valley gratefully acknowledge the benevolent and precious gift of God bestowed through the Simla Chandigarh Educational Society and Simla Chandigarh Diocese Society. The Simla Chandigarh Diocese and its personnel under the able leadership of its Bishop, Rt. Rev. Dr.Ignatious Loyola Mascarenhas and his predecessors have been rendering remarkable services to the people of Kullu through this elite Institution. Over the years, since its inception various Missionaries of Simla Chandigarh Catholic Diocese and various Catholic Religious Missionary Societies, viz., Society of Jesus from 1969 – 1975; Ursuline Sisters of Mary Immaculate from 1975 -1987; Salesians of Don Bosco from 1987 -- 2018 have been serving in this esteemed Institution and brought it up to this height. The Principals who have served in this Institution are:-

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Fr. George (1969 – 1974); Fr. Thomas (1974 -1976); Sr. Maria Rossa (1976 -1980) Sr. Liliana (1980 - 1984); Sr. Rosilin (1984 - 1987); Fr. George Peter (1987 - 1990) Fr. Sebastian: (1990 - 1995); Fr. T.P. George: (1995 – 2003); Fr. P.P. Paul (2003 –2008) Fr. Babu V. (2008-2012); Fr. M.J. Davis (2012—2018); Fr. Mathew P.J. (2018-2019) Fr. Antony Solomon (2019 -- ______)
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