

The next destination was Chawrasta. This is a historical public square in the Victorian era hill resort town of Darjeeling. It was the fashionable place of assembly for residents and visitors in the 18th Century.

Lastly, We get to see the famous Toy Train several times. On Dec 2,1999,UNESCO had declared the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway a world Heritage Site.

St. Joseph's College is a govt-aided, Christian minority, Co-educational College. It has been awarded Grade B+ (3rd Cycle) by NAAC. The College was established in 1927 and is presently affiliated with the University of North Bengal. Undergraduate programs include Liberal Arts, Commerce and Science, As well as Business Administration, Mass Communication and Journalism and Computer Application .The motto of St. Joseph's College is Sursun Corda (Latin) meaning lift up your heart.

Notable Alumni of St. Joseph's College

- Mahendra P. Lama ,Professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and Politician who contested 2009 Lok Sabha Election from Darjeeling.
- Jyoti Prakash Tamang ,food microbiologist and N-Bios laureate.
- Danny Denzongpa, Bollywood actor,singer,director of films and a businessman.
- Louis Banks, Indian film music composer, singer,record producer, keyboardist and musician.
- Gyanendra Shash ,Nepal's ex-King, who ruled Nepal two times.
- King Birendra, Nepal's ex-King, killed in Nepalese royal massacre in 2001.
- Paras Shah ,Nepal's ex-Crown Prince, son of Gyanendra Shah.
- Neiphiu Rio, Chief Minister of Nagaland.

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STUDY TOUR REPORT
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Inter-visit to St. Joseph's College ,North Point ,Darjeeling.

The Dept. of English, comprising of teachers and final year students annually go on study tours for the past two years. Inter-visit to colleges improve the overall teaching /learning skills for both teachers and students.

As much, the Department of English , Haflong Govt. College visited St.Joseph's College North Point ,Darjeeling the target was to have interaction with the teaching faculty and students for overall benefit of all.

On the appointed day as we reached concerned St. Joshep's College,We learnt that it was a holiday. Fortunately, the Principal, Rev.Fr.Donatus Khujur S.J,the faculty of English Dept. comprising of Dr.Balaram Uprety, Dr Pathik Roy Ms. Sandhya Lama and Mr. Ashish Chetri as well as Dr. Rupesh Tiwari from Science Faculty were present attending an activity organized by English Dept.this enabled us to interact with teachers and students while having a tour of the campus and the library.

Such an inter-visit is an enriching experience from which all concerned have benefited immensely.

After visiting St.Joseph's College ,we visited a few places, The first destination was Peace Pagoda.This place has been designed to provide a focus for people of all races and creeds to help unite them in their search for world peace.

Next, we went to Ghoom Monastery which has an extensive collection of invaluable manuscripts that include the 108 volume of Kangyur-supposed to have been spoken by the Buddha himself.

In Batista Loop there stands a War Memorial at the centre constructed in commemoration of the brave Gorkha Soldiers ,who sacrificed their life to protect the sovereignty of the Nation since independence.

Dali Monastery has many monks and disciples who are residents there .During 1993,the Dalai Lama came and stayed for three days teaching the in-depth principles of Tibetan religion and culture to the students and disciples.