## **BIODIVERSITY CLUB ACTIVITIES (2016-2017)**

- The main focus of the biodiversity club is to create knowledge, interest and necessary skills to solve various biodiversity problems. To create awareness about the status of the Sahyadri Freshwater Biodiversity and to bring about attitudinal change among students towards conservation of the species a Sahyadri Freshwater Biodiversity conservation education workshop was organized on 17.09.2016. The resource person was Dr. B.A. Daniel, Senior Scientist, Zoo Outreach Organisation, Coimbatore. He stressed the importance of conserving biodiversity by conducting various activities such as singing songs, drawing, painting, group works, etc.,
- The biodiversity club members collected the information regarding various indigenous wild lives flora and fauna. The collected information was circulated among all the members to encourage the attitude of knowledge sharing.
- In connection with wild life week celebration an oratorical competition on 'Living with nature' and an Essay writing competition on 'Nature and Wildlife' was conducted and the winners were awarded prizes.
- To understand the importance of natural forest and its conservation, a two days field trip was arranged for the members on 4.02.2017 and 5.02.2017 to Kothagiri, Conoor and Ooty.