



Convent of The Child Jesus-Ratnapura
Past Pupils' Association
Colombo Branch

NEWSLETTER



Issue: Jan to June 2019....

Hi members and all readers,

Let me remind all of you, that we must make a firm commitment to involve in the activities of the PPA and also our Alma Mater – for it is WE who could make a difference and improve the Association.

SO PITCH IN AND HELP EVERYONE!

A Warm Welcome And Open Invitation to All Past Pupils: Consider joining the team and Committee, voicing helpful suggestions, making a donation, (however small), enlisting newcomers and young school-leavers and also planning fund raisers to swell the fast diminishing funds. Let us all be more active so we can get things done for our much cherished school.

********GENEROUS HANDS ARE BLESSED HANDS*******(Proverb 29: 9)***

We appreciate your immediate support & Generosity Today!

More details please contact Ira our treasurer on..0773566109 or 0112693157

Bulletin of past six months;

- ✓ Our Annual General Meeting was held on September 15th, 2018 at Global Towers, Wellawatte, Colombo 6 and we had a member participation of 50. We look forward to a greater gathering this year in September – so encourage all around you and close to you to participate.
- ✓ Our Christmas party was held in December and it was truly enjoyable with karaoke, hymns and comedy acts by none other than the comedian for all time – Carmel Santiago, partnered by Muriel Anthony. A jumble sale helped to fan the dying embers of our coffers.
- ✓ We visited Ratnapura for Sister Maxima's funeral and since we were unable to participate at the AGM we handed exercise books valued at approximately Rs. 25,000/- to the Principal. We would like to mention here and be thankful that we were able to gift these books due to the generous contribution made by Ms. Evelyne

Ginger of Australia and Ms. C. Fernando (teacher) of Thudella. We have also forwarded gift of Aus. \$ 200/- to the Sisters of Charity (SCJM).

- ✓ The School sports meet was attended by five members and here again, we make a plea for more members to join next time - transport free with lunch provided by the school.
- ✓ We were happy to gift 25,000/- towards expenses of this event which was organised on a grand scale and to schedule in spite of the inclement weather – hats off to Ms. Sandya Priyadarshani, who, as Principal, has amply proven her capabilities and is a true asset to the school.
- ✓ We were also able to help the school in purchasing a vehicle by contributing Rs.100,000/- to the fund. Our members' donations helped to re-deposit the Rs. 200,000/- which was uplifted to make this possible. Thank you all.
- ✓ We managed a few committee meetings in spite of setbacks due to illness and other commitments, and losing a much loved committee member, Annette Rajanayagam, a pioneer of the Association who gave her unstinted support to the end.



So it's time to remember with sadness, as they are no more with us, but also with gladness for the happy times we had together, the following:

Ω Rev. Sr. Maxima SCJM, Annette Rajanayagam, Miss Mallika Gunatilake, Kusum Ranabahu nee Naotunna, Jayanthi Peeris nee Sly

Our condolences also go out to:

- Deepthi Rodrigo on the demise of her husband
- Late Verginia Perera on the demise of her husband
- Neelika Fernando on the demise of her brother
- Ranjini Ranasinghe on demise of her brother-in-law
- Manel Tammita on the demise of her brother
- Rev. Sr. Virginia Daniel on demise of her brother

Oh! Sorry, we cancelled all our planned programs due to the prevalent situation.

Anyway, await a special day in **the month OF SEPTEMBER – it's not that far..... please get ready for our usual AGM. It's only once a year! More details with regard to this event later....**



Thank you !.....

28th September 2019.....



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