

HOLY FAMILY CONVENT
JAFFNA

PRIZE-DAY

1997



Saturday 11th October 9.30 a. m.

CHIEF GUEST

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Kingsley Swampillai
Bishop of Trinco. - Batticaloa

GUEST OF HONOUR

Mr. V. Thaniah
D. D. E. - Jaffna, Zone - 1

CHAIR - PERSON

Miss B. V. A. Emmanuel

PROGRAMME

1. Lighting of the Lamp
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INVOCATORY HYMN

GOD IS HERE TO BLESS US

1. *God is here and that to bless us
With the Spirit's quick'ning power
See the cloud already bending
Waits to drop the grateful shower*

CHORUS

*Let it come..... O Lord, we pray Thee
Let the show'r..... of blessing fall
We are waiting, we are waiting
Oh, revive the hearts of all.*

2. *God is here, we feel His presence
In this dear and hallowed place
But we need the soul refreshing
of His free unbounded grace*
3. *God is here, oh then, believing
Bring to Him our one desire
That His love may now be kindled
Till its flame each heart inspire*
4. *Saviour, grant the prayer we offer
While in simple faith we bow
From the windows of thy mercy
Pour us out a blessing now.*

வரவேற்புப் பாடல்

வருக வருக வருக - வளமோங்க
நல்லாசி பெருக வருக வருகவே

ஆன்மிக நெறியிலே அருளொடு வாழ்தரு
மேன்மையில் தங்கிய பிரதம விருந்தினர்
மேதகு ஆண்டகை கிங்ஸ்லி சுவாம்பிள்ளை
தாதை நீர் வந்ததால் பெருமிதம் அடைந்தோம்

யாழ் மறை மாவட்ட மக்களை நல்வழி
வாழ்ந்திட நடத்திடும் மேதகு ஆண்டகை
தோமஸ் சவுந்தரநாயகம் அவர்களே
தாமிங்கு வந்ததால் தழைத்தது மகிழ்வே

வந்தநல் பிரதி கல்விப் பணிப்பாளர்
வருகநீர் தானையா அவர்களே என்றோம்
சிந்தையில் மகிழ்வுறும் பெற்றோரே பெரியோரே
வந்தனம் உரைத்தோம் வருக என்றழைத்தோம்

திருக்குடும்பக் கன்னியர் மடம் எனும் சாலையில்
உருப்பெறும் மாணவர் உளம்மிக மகிழ்
கற்றநல் கல்வியால் பெற்றனர் பரிசில்
காணுவீர் உங்கள் வரவு நல்வரவாக

Principal's Report 1996- 1997

Madam Chair - Person

Your Lordship Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Kingsley Swampi'lai

Distinguished guests,

Rev. Fathers, Sisters,

Parents and Friends,

WELCOME

I am very happy to welcome you all once more to our Annual Prize - giving. Particularly so, because we are meeting after an eventful period. Our last prize-day was on the eve of the mass displacement from Jaffna, which has become a part of history. We thank God for enabling us to take up threads of our lives once more, shattered and scattered as we were after the holocaust.

Madam Chair - person, we are delighted to welcome you and have you preside at our function. Your association with our school is long closely knit. You had your entire schooling in our institution and have been nurtured in the ideals and traditions of the Holy Family Association. You have adorned our staff for over 40 years, and still do shedding lustre on it not only by your distinctive linguistic achievements, but also by your exemplary character and qualities. Generations of pupils have had the good fortune to come under your benign influence of service and self-effacement. You were and still are the cornerstone of the O. G. Association. You are one of the finest products of our school and we are proud to have you as chair-person today.

We extend a warm and affectionate welcome to His Lordship Bishop Kingsley Swampillai, Bishop of Trinco-Batticaloa. Bishop Kingsley as he is popularly known is no stranger to us. Prior to his elevation as Episcopal prelate he was part and parcel of the Jaffna Diocese having served here in various capacities.

He is a product of two prestigious schools, St. Anthony's College, Kayts and St. Patrick's College, Jaffna. He hails from Kayts which boasts of illustrious sons who have served the Church and the cause of education with eminence and erudition. Coming from such a twin background of religion and culture, His Lordship is admirably fitted for the position he holds.

His priestly duties have taken him far and wide both within the island and outside. He has served in remote parishes such as Mullaitivu, Kilinochchi, and Madhu, and outposts such as Puthukkudiyiruppu, Cheddikulam. The guiding hand of Providence can be discerned in those assignments as they acquainted with him the hazards of areas that were to be war-torn. He served as Secretary to Bishop Emilianuspillai and General Manager of R. C. Schools, Jaffna, and those two posts no doubt groomed him for greater responsibilities. He was National Director of Pontifical Mission Aid Societies for twelve years and served as Interim Secretary to the papal Nunciature Colombo. He has thus acquired a fund of experiences in handling men and matters with diplomacy and insight.

Bishop Kingsley's charm lies in his simplicity and humility, his wit and humour. The agility of his mind and the generosity of his heart find no problem too knotty to unravel. He is a good friend to those in need and is ever ready to help with his time, his wisdom and his understanding. These qualities of head and heart stand him in good stead in his role as Shepherd of the Diocese that is the focus of much attention today. We thank you, Your Lordship, for accepting our invitation to honour our Prize day as Chief Guest.

We are glad to welcome Mr. V. Thanish, Deputy Director of Education, Jaffna as Distinguished Guest at our function today. Having served in the South earlier in his career, he is able to appreciate and share some of the values we cherish. His integrity and level-headedness as well as his administrative skill make him a much sought-after official. His efficiency

ironed out many insurmountable problems during the whirlwind days of displacement and after. He has graced our functions as Chief - Guest many a time, and given our students valuable words of wisdom. We wish to express our appreciation of his concern and interest in our school not only in his official capacity but also as friend and guide.

A warm welcome to the officials of the Department who have honoured our invitation to-day. We thank them for taking time off from their busy schedule of work to grace our function. I take this opportunity to thank them sincerely for their many services to our School not minding the time and the trouble involved, particularly during the post-displacement period, when on-the-spot adjustments had to be made in double quick time.

We are grateful to the Department for the permanent major repairs and renovations to our war-damaged buildings. We also wish to express our thanks for the provision of a Computer and the Roneo machine. The first batch of students are already taking the preliminary steps to follow the Computer Course.

As I begin this report let me say at the outset that it covers the period 1996 and 1997 to date. Certain areas of activity could hardly be covered as the last year was largely spent on recovering our bearings and getting over post-displacement disarray. Generally curriculum activities took place as usual.

STAFF

We had to make do with a skeleton staff. However, we were able to carry on as the number on roll too fell drastically. Teachers trickled back very slowly.

At present our staff consists of 43 teachers, of whom 12 are Post-graduate Diploma Holders, 6 graduates and 19 trained teachers. We also count 2 Part time teachers of English and 6 volunteers.

We welcome the following who joined our staff in 1996 and 1997.

1996 Mrs. S. Tharmarajan (Dip. in Carnatic Music)
(Temporary transfer)

1997 Sr. M. J. P. Thuraisamy (Eng. Trd.)

Miss H. Manuelpillai (B. A. Ceylon)

Mrs. A. M. J. Y. Jebaratnam (B.Sc. Cey. Dip. in Ed.)
(Temporary transfer)

Miss T. Manuelpillai (Maths. Trd.)

Miss N. Antonipillai (Rel. Trd.)

Miss. S. Rasa (Primary)

We express our appreciation and best wishes to the following who left us on retirement in 1995, 1996, and 1997.

1995

Sr. Ruffina (Tam. Trd)

Sr. Canisius (Tam. Trd)

1996

Mrs. M. C. E. Anthony (Rel. Trd)

Mrs. M. C. Subramaniam (Maths. Trd)

Mrs. L. E. Rasanayagam (T. Trd)

1997

Mrs. A. R. Thangarajah (Maths. Trd.)

Mrs. R. Sivarajah (B. A. Cey. Dip. in. Edu)

The following left us on transfer in 1995

Sr. Antoinette (B.Sc. Dip. in Ed)

Mrs. C B. Navaratnam Sc. Trd.)

Mrs. Y. Sivapatham (Eng. Trd)

Mrs. S. Ragunathan (H. Sc. Trd.)

We thank them and wish them well. Our congratulations to Mrs. W. Arulanandam on her success at the Post-graduate Dip. in Education and to Sr. Mary Lazar and Mrs. P. J. Patrick on the completion of their Teacher-training Course.

ADMINISTRATION

I am grateful to Providence for giving me able support in my efficient administrative staff. I thank my Deputy for her loyalty and assistance at all times, and the Sectional Heads who lighten my task and make it pleasant. I wish to express my welcome and thanks to Sr. Mary Lazar who joined us in 1995 and is in charge of the Primary Section. She had to contend with a severe scarcity of primary teachers but coped heroically and resourcefully with the volunteers.

I thank both my tutorial, clerical and minor staff for steering the school with me through the troubled waters of displacement. Recovering lost documents and statistical data, was but one of the Herculean tasks we faced. Finally my gratitude to the prefects for their youthful devotion to duty.

EXAMINATION SUCCESS

The following are the results of the G.C.E (O/L) and (A/L) examinations held in 1996 and 1995.
G. C. E. (O/L) 1996

No. Sat	81	No. Passed	52
No. qualified for (A/L)	48		
of these	5 qualified for Maths		
12	" " Bio		
16	" " Commerce		
15	" " Arts		

G.C.E (A/L) 1996

No. Sat	- 59	No. passed	- 52
Science	- 17	- 13
Maths	- 04	- 01
Commerce	- 13	- 13
Arts	- 25	- 25

G. C. E. O/L 1995

No. Sat — 91 No. Passed — 76
 No. qualified for G. C. E. A/L..... 70
 Of these

32 qualified for Maths and Science
 15 qualified for Commerce
 23 qualified for Arts

G. C. E. A/L 1995

No. Sat	90	No. passed	— 80
Maths	04	Maths	— 02
Science	22	Science	...19
Commerce.....	39	Commerce	34
Arts	25	Arts.....	25

Admissions to the University were as follows

1994 — Arts 5, B, Comm — 1
 1995 — Bio Science 2
 — B. Com 2
 — Management 1
 Arts 1

Year 5 Scholarship Examination passes

1995	8
1996	7

CURRICULUM

RELIGION:

Religion is the corner-stone of our curriculum and we teach it not only through classes in Religious Knowledge but also through an environment conducive to spiritual development. For the latter purpose for Catholic Students we conduct the traditional devotions such as First Friday Mass and commence all important functions with the Holy Mass. All assemblies are held with prayers and hymns on arrival and departure. Seminars and workshops are held from time to time. In October last year Rev. Frs. Iruthayathas and Ravichandran conducted a workshop on 'Prayer Groups and Bible Reading' for pupils of Yr. 11 and Yr. 12. Children are prepared annually for First Holy Communion and Confirmation and every effort is made to live the ideals of the Holy Family in their daily lives as befits Christian communities.

Hindu children sit the examinations conducted by the Saiva Paripalana Sabai. Saraswathy Pooja is observed annually by a visit to the temple. They visited Manonmani Ammal Kovil, Nallur last year. Thoughts for reflections are provided at assemblies.

TAMIL:

The mother tongue waxes eloquent in school and Tamil culture is flourishing as evidenced at all school functions. All Tamil Day Contests were held according to schedule and our pupils won many First places at the Divisional and Zone level contests in '96 and '97. An A. L. Pupil, Anne Anita Emmanuel won a (certificate, Award at the All-Island Essay Competition on Environmental Pollution while Kalpana Arasaratnam won the second prize at the Inter-School Essay Competition conducted by the People's Bank at their 35th Anniversary Celebrations. Miss Suthagini Dominic received a consolation award at the same contest.

This year our pupil, Sujantha Navanthini Mathuranyagam won the First place in the Tamil Oratory contest sponsored by the UNESCO, while Carmeline Suganthi Joseph won second place. Our pupils accredited themselves at the Fr. Gnanapragasar Golden Jubilee contests. Tamil Day this year was honoured by Dr. Saba Jeyarajah Head of the Faculty of Education, Jaffna University as Chief-Guest. An excerpt from the Ramayana was staged. An interesting feature of the celebration was the on-the-spot assessment of the cultural programme by Mr. Jeyaram Sharma, In-Service advisor, Tamil.

ENGLISH:

English like most subjects had to survive with only a couple of teachers returning after the displacement. Fortunately class divisions were reduced by the fall of the number of pupils on roll. It wouldn't be out of place to say here that for quality improvement in English Teaching, an adequate Teacher Cadre is an essential pre-requisite. So too the availability of modern teaching equipment

However, all School-level contests were held as usual in 1996 and certificates issued. This year too all contests were held on the usual basis culminating in English Day Celebrations at which Mr. D. R. Arumainayagam, Assistant Director, English, was Chief Guest. A Musical playlet 'The Doll's wedding' by the Primary school and a drama 'A German Legend' by the Post-primary classes received much applause. The Chief Guest highly commended the standard of the performance. At the Divisional Level contests our pupils carried away several First and Second places both in 1996 and 1997.

As education experts tell us, a Language is better 'caught' than 'taught'. I wish parents and teachers would keep this important truth in mind, and try to give children more exposure to the language.

SCIENCE:

Pupils from Year 6 to Year 13 form the School Science Union. In 1996 pupils from Year 6-11, participated in the Science-Maths Quiz Contest conducted by the Department. It is note-worthy that our pupils won the First place in every division. Many won Second and Third places and received certificate awards. At Zone level contests, they won Certificates of commendation.

At school special classes are held for pupils who are weak in Maths, and practice tests are conducted for O. L pupils on a weekly basis in both Science and Maths. Practical tests in Science are conducted every term.

AESTHETICS:

The field of Aesthetics is important in forming integrated personalities. Music, Art and Dance are food for the soul, and fulfil the yearning of the spirit for beauty and harmony. They express the inexpressible in Man. They refine and elevate. We are glad that these fine arts are popular among our pupils.

MUSIC:

Pupils are afforded scope to develop their vocal talents both in Western^{+ Eastern} Music. English Day activities prominently feature Singing and Musical activities. Carnatic is taught as a subject and pupils obtain good results at the G. C. E. O. L and A. L. Examinations.

ART:

We are greatly encouraged by the artistic talent of our Pupils revealed through Art competitions from time to time. Annette Rajani Vincent won Third place in the Art Competition organised by the Shanthi Aham in 1996, in connection with World Health Day, and received an award of Rs. 2,000/-. This year Rajani Anthonydas won First place in the 'Peace Poster' contest organised by the Lion's Club.

Jaffna. In July this year a few pupils participated in the UNESCO Art Contest based on Peace, Harmony and Humanitarian values. The winners were as follows at Zone Level

Jasmine Suhanya Sebastiampillai	1st place-Lower Division
Praveena Muthukumar	2nd place-Inter-mediate
Doreen Amalathas	2nd place-Upper Division

At the Divisional level contests Sasitharakumary Ambalavanar won 3rd place in the Upper Division.

DANCE:

Our pupils from Year 6-13 take to this subject with interest and enthusiasm and carry away coveted awards. This year we won the First place in three divisions of the Divisional Level contests held by the Education Department. We were First in the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Divisions respectively. We followed this up at the Zone Level Contests winning First place in the 2nd Division (Beomi Thangarajah), First place in the 4th Division (Subashini Selvaratnam) and Second place in the 3rd Division (Luksha Thangarajah).

Our crowning glory was our success at the North-East Provincial Contest this year with Beomi Thangarajah and Subashini Selvaratnam emerging winners.

COMMERCE

The usual activities of the Commerce Union were unavoidably suspended during the period under review. However, our pupils did well at the contests conducted by the Nallur Commerce Resource Centre (Zone 1) at Divisional Level. Five in year 9, four in Year 10, and five in Year 11 respectively won awards.

HOME ECONOMICS

Subjects such as Child Care, Needle work, Home Management and Cooking are taught under Home Economics. In 1995, our pupils participated in the Needle Work contests

for pupils from Year 3-9, and in the 'Ideal Housewife' contest for pupils from Year 9-11. Kalaichelvi Kanagalingam won First Place in the latter, at Divisional and second place at Zone Level. This year too, 14 of our pupils took part in the 'Ideal Housewife' contest. Five contestants in all won 2nd and 3rd places.

SPORTS

1996

In 1996 we were able to hold Sports Day only in October. It took place on the 5th October with Mr. V. Thaniah, Deputy Director of Education as Chief Guest. Mr. J. Arunagiriraja, Assistant Director, Sports also graced the occasion. Martina House emerged Champions, while Visitation House were runners-up. Martina House bagged both the under 17 and under 19 Netball Cups. The Chief Guest spoke of the value of sports in developing precision and consistency that are important elements in achieving success.

1997

The Primary School Sports Day was held on 19-02-97 with Rev. Fr. J. P. E. Selvarajah as Chief Guest while the Inter-House Athletic Meet was held on 22nd March, at St. Patrick's College Grounds. The Chief Guest was Mr. S. Ratnarajah, Director of Education, Jaffna Zone I, while the Guests of Honour were Mr. K. Vimalarajan, District Sports Officer, Jaffna and Miss Thaneswary Vallipuram, Manager, National Savings Bank, Jaffna.

This year our Sports contestants shone at the Circuit level contests in April winning 5 First places, 5 Second places and 6 Third places. Nija Kanagasingam was the star of the meet in the under 17 group, winning the 100 metre, 200 metres and Long Jump Events. At the Zone level contests, we won 3 First places, and one Second place. Nija was adjudged Zone level champion Nija (Under 17), Premarajani Singarayar (Under 19) and Mithila Kanagasingam (Under 21) qualified to partake in the Provincial level contests.

We won the 2nd place in the Girls Basketball Tournament conducted by the University Sports Council in August this year. In June we won First place in the under 19. and third place in the under 17 Netball Matches at Circuit level. At the Zone level Netball Match we were placed third.

Chess was started as a game under the Sponsorship of of the Hatton National Bank and the Lion's club of Jaffna. In June this year, the Holy Family Convent Chess team met the University team. The match ended in a draw.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES GUIDES

We belong to the 7th Jaffna Group of Girl Guides. There are 35 guides on roll today. The last enrolment took place in June this year, and 30 girls who passed The Tender-foot Examination was enrolled by the warranted Guider, Mrs. S. Gunaratnam.

The ceremony included inter-school entertainment items and a quiz on knots and whistle signals. Our group is divided into 6 patrols each with its own patrol leader.

Meetings are held every Thursday afternoon. Our guides attended week-end camps in Vadamarachchi Vaddukoddai and Kokuvil, among their other activities such as observance of Baden Powell day, and Thinking Day activities. After a temporary lull in 1995 the movement has quickened to life again. Since, 1996 under the able leadership of veteran Guiders Mrs. P. V. Richards and Mrs. S. Pathmanesan,

LITTLE FRIENDS

There are 24 Little Friends in the pack. The last enrolment was in July '97 when Rev. Sr. Sophia, Provincial, Holy Family Sisters, Jaffna a former guider herself enrolled them. She later gave them a talk on 'How to foster Friendship and Peace'. The Little Friends entertained visitors with interesting skits and songs. They attended camps at Vembady Girl's School and function enthusiastically under the guidance of Sr. Mary (Sylvana) and Miss M. Mahalingam (Sylvette)

INTERACT CLUB

We could not execute many projects during the period under review due to the prevailing conditions following displacement. However certain services were rendered. The entire school premises were surveyed with the help of qualified surveyors. A new survey map of the school was made and presented to the Principal. Traffic control at the school entrance was carried out as usual. Quotations of Greatmen were prominently displayed on the Inter-act Notice Board, as thoughts for reflection.

A. L. UNION

The Annual General Meeting for the election of office-bearers was held for the new year. Members honoured invitation to social functions from other A. L. Unions whenever feasible and hosted their own Annual Lunch in May this year. Prof. V. K. Ganeshalingam, Dean of the faculty of Science, University of Jaffna, was the chief Guest.

PREFECT BODY

The prefects of 1996 were able to take their oaths on August '96 on our return after displacement. The prefects of this year took their oaths and took up office on College day June '30th. The Prefect Body meets every Tuesday to review its work under the supervision of the Moderator. Early this year they attended a Seminar on leadership organised by the UNESCO.

TEACHERS' GUILD

The Teachers' Guild has its elections annually and office bearers meet regularly at executive committee meetings and meetings for specific purposes. The guild sees to the social obligation of the staff as a unit. Farewell functions to teachers on transfers and retirement are organised by the guild. The constitution of the guild is flexible and revised to suit changing conditions as they arise. The Guild contributes to the solidarity and Unity of the Staff.

TEACHERS' DAY

Teachers' day was celebrated on October 4th last year. Holy Mass was offered by Rev. Fr. Ravichandran, who spoke on the vocation of teaching, its nobility, and how its far-reaching influence can touch eternity. Teachers were garlanded on stage by pupils in appreciation and welcomed individually by the Head Girl. Miss Juanita Segarajasinge paid a tribute on behalf of the old girls and Mr. G Sebastianpillai on behalf of the S. D. S. Teachers were also honoured with gift tokens.

COLLEGE DAY

College day was celebrated on 30th June this year with Holy Mass offered by Rev. Fr. Pilendran, who gave an inspiring sermon on 'The true task of Education'. Sr. Sophia, Provincial of Holy Family Sisters, who was Chief Guest later garlanded a photograph of the Founder, Venerable Pierre Bienvenu Noailles, and gave a talk on his vision and charism. A drama by the Thirumarai Kala Mantram Sahatha Manitham' was put on stage as part of the entertainment programme.

OGA

The O. G. A. has been functioning regularly in spite of difficulties. The Association received a set-back after the displacement as many of our members left for Colombo or overseas. However we were able to enrol some younger members.

The Annual General Meeting was held on 12.7.97 and The office bearers were elected. Executive Committee Meetings are held every month. We celebrated the Feast of the Holy Family with Holy Mass in the Convent Chapel.

We are in touch with our branches in Colombo and overseas. We wish to express our appreciation for their supportive help and encouragement to their Alma Mater, through me, the vicissitudes of war and displacement.

SDS

On our return in May '96 the SDS came to our rescue when the school was in complete post displacement disarray. They effected temporary repairs to damaged buildings furniture, and other equipment. The following services were rendered.

1. Restoration of school water supply by repairs to damaged water-tank and hand-pump.
2. Renovation and painting of Science Laboratories.
3. Repairing and renovation of Middle School Block including white-washing and painting.
4. Defraying of Sports Day Expenditure '96 and 97.
5. Contributions to Teachers' Day Celebrations, '96 and 97'.
6. Donation of Books to Library.
7. Provision of storage facilities for Computer.

Before I conclude, I would like to share some of my thoughts with you. Many of us have certain misconceptions about education. One is that it takes place only at school and during one's school days. Nothing could be further from the truth. Education takes place throughout one's life—at home, at work through travel and during leisure. It is a life-long process and is as many-faceted as life itself. Today we can continue ever our formal education long after we have left school. Universities provide courses for adult learners at many levels in addition to degree courses.

Another misapprehension is that education consists chiefly of passing examinations. Success at examinations denotes only academic excellence, while education is a much wider concept and covers elements such as the building up of values, a refinement of feeling, a cultivation of attitudes. It is the total development of personality.

It is such developed personalities that we need in our society to day — people who are fearless to do what is right, magnanimous enough to forgive and forget, compassionate

towards those in pain. We in the North know only too well what suffering is. The war has left in its wake, traumatised individuals who demand our care and concern. Has education sensitized us to feel the pain of another, as our own?

We in schools form a micro - society composed of pupils, teachers and parents. Working together as a joint venture, we can shape society.

I wish to draw your attention to the deplorable standards to which education has fallen in the peninsula in the recent past. The severe dearth of teachers, one of the serious consequences of displacement, is largely to blame for this. Mass retirements and transfers have added to the problem. We look to our Universities and Training Colleges where our future teachers are in the making, to supply our need.

Enough has been said elsewhere about the challenges we face in the 21st century. The greatest of these is the establishment of peace. Are we pursuing this goal through a specific education for peace built on justice and love, and respect for human life and dignity? The eradication of poverty and unemployment is another. The attitude of parents to the choice of their children's career could help ease the unemployment problem. The aptitudes and interests of the child are the deciding factors in choosing a course of study, and not the preferences of parents based on prestige value and prejudice. Much failure and frustration could be avoided and valuable talents utilised if parents realized the folly of square pegs in round holes.

Finally I wish to say that all education is built on the bed-rock of discipline. Discipline begins in the home. It is taught largely through example. The earlier we enforce it, the better. At the School-leaving stage, it should cease to be enforced and change into self-imposed discipline. We could thus avoid the break-down of discipline in society, as we see it today.

CONCLUSION

I wish to conclude on a note of thanks. Thank you for your kind presence and participation. My gratitude to the officials of the Department, members of the SDS and of the OGA, parents, teachers and well wishers who give me their able support having the interest of the school at heart.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Prize-donors and benefactors for their contributions. My appreciation to all the Principals of Schools, the Rector of St. Patrick's College, Jaffna, in particular for extending their assistance at all times.

Finally my thanks to all who have contributed in one way or another to make this day a success.

God! Bless you all.

இறுதியில் எனது கருத்துகள் சிலவற்றை உங்களுடன் பகிர்ந்து கொள்ள விரும்புகிறேன். கல்வி என்றால் என்ன என்பது பற்றி எம் மத்தியில் பல தவறான எண்ணங்கள் காணப்படுகின்றன. பாடசாலையிலும் பள்ளிப் பருவத்திலும் தான் கல்வியை பெற்றுக் கொள்கிறோம், என்பது தவறு. ஒருவர் தமது வாழ்க்கைமுழுவதும் கற்றுக் கொண்டேயிருக்கிறார். தொழில், பிரயாணம், பொழுது போக்குகள், அனைத்தும் கல்விக்கு துணைபுரிகின்றன. இன்னு வளர்ந்தவர்கள் மரபுரிதியான கல்வியைப் பெற்றுக்கொள்ளத் தன்னும் பல்கலைக்கழகங்களில் பல விசேட நெறிகள் உள்ளன.

மற்றொரு தவறான எண்ணம் பரீட்சைகளில் சித்தியடைவது தான் கல்வி என்பதாகும். மாறாக அது ஒருவரது முழு ஆளுமை யையும் கட்டியெழுப்பும் மதிப்பீடுகள், உணர்வுகள், மனப்பாங்குகளை உருவாக்குவதாகும். இன்றைய சமுதாயத்தில் நேர்மை, அன்பு, இரக்கம் போன்ற நற்பண்புகளுடையவர்கள் தேவை. போரின் விளைவு களால் உடல், உளரீதியாக பாதிக்கப்பட்ட மக்களுக்கு துன்பம் துடைக்கும் பணியை மேற்கொள்ள சமுதாயத்தில் நல்ல பிரஜைகள் தேவை. இவர்களை உருவாக்குவது பெரியோராகிய எமது கடமை யாகும்.

அண்மைக் காலத்தில் யாழ் பிரதேசத்தின் கல்வித் தராதரம் குன்றியமைக்கு பல காரணங்கள் உள்ளன. இவற்றுள் முக்கியமான தொன்று ஆசிரியர் பற்றாக்குறையாகும். இடம் பெயர்வு, அநேகர் ஓய்வு பெறுதல், அல்லது இடமாற்றம் பெறுதல், காரணமாக இன்று எமது பாடசாலைகளில் போதிய ஆசிரியர்கள் இல்லை.

இன்னும் சில ஆண்டுகளில் நாம் 31ஆம் நூற்றாண்டையும், அதன் சவால்களையும் எதிர் நோக்குகிறோம். இந்த சவால்களுள் முதன்மையானது சமாதானத்தை நிலைநாட்டுவதாகும். நீதி, அன்பு, மனித உயிருக்கும் மகத்துவத்துக்கும் மதிப்பு ஆகியவற் றின் அடிப்படையில் அமைந்த சமாதானத்தைக் கட்டியெழுப்புவ தற்கான கல்வியை மாணவர்க்கு அளிக்கின்றோமா? வறுமையும், வேலையின்மையும் மற்றொரு சவாலாகும். பிள்ளைகளின் கல்வியை மாணவர்க்கு அவர்கள் விருப்பத்திற்கும், திறமைகளுக்கும் ஏற்றவாறு நெறிப்படுத்தினால் பரீட்சைகளில் அநாவசியமான தோல்விகளும் அதனாகி ஏற்படும் மனவிரக்திகளும் குறையும், அத்துடன் இஷ்ட மான தொழிலைத் தேர்ந்து கொள்ளும் வசதிகளும் அதிகரிக்கும்.

இறுதியாக கல்வியென்பது கட்டுப்பாட்டை அடித்தளமாகக் கொண்டிருக்க வேண்டும். கட்டுப்பாடு விட்டில் சிறுவயதிலேயே ஆரம்பிக்கவேண்டும். பாடசாலையை விட்டு நீங்கும் பருவத்தில் அவர்களைப் பிறர் கட்டுப்படுத்த வேண்டிய அவசியமில்லாது, தம் மைத் தாமே கட்டுப்படுத்தக்கூடியவர்களாகி விடுவர். இவ்வாறு கட்டுப்பாடுள்ள ஒரு சமுதாயத்தை உருவாக்கலாம்.

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12. Rajivkala Pragasarajah	95 - G. Prof
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15. Antonette Rojanthy Anton	96 - R. C & G. Prof
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3. Juda Marine Amalathan	95 - R. C & G. Prof.
	96 - G. Prof.
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5. Visnuka Kanagarajah	95 - Hinduism & G. Prof.
	96 - Music
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| Christopher | |
| 7. Veronica Michael | 95 - Social studies |
| 8. Thivyanjali ThanapalasIngam | 95 - Music |
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96 - Hinduism & G. Prof |
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mani | 95 - Maths
96 - Accounts & G. Prof |
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| 8. Carmelin Suganthy Joseph | 95 - Dance |
| 9. Jeyapiratha Vimalakanthan | 95 - G. Prof |
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thevan | 96 - G. Prof |
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Shamin Piryanthy Selvarajah

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Christeen Gunalini Rajaratnam

Emilda Pathinather

Mary Sinthuja Thilagaratnam

Shiromi Beatrice Amalathas

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Jeyasanthini Manithirunavukarasu Not Awarded

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Chrishanthi Maripathasan

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| 19. | " | " | " | the Best actress (upper school English Drama) |
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| 23. | " | " | " | Dance (Oriental) donated by Miss. Vasuk Thirunavugarasu awarded to |
| 24. | " | " | " | the Best Interactor donated by Rtn. P. Selvanathan awarded to |
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| 26. | " | " | " | Academic Excellence (Upper school) donated by Mother Provincial H. F. C Jaffna awarded to |
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With joyful emotion and loyal devotion
United in chorus we honour our school,
Familians together, supporting each other,
To praise Alma Mater and, cherish her rule,
We'll ever be faithful dear fostering Mother
And promise once more to be constant and true.

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Bright memories linger, of highest endeavour
And noble achievements which past years unfold
With true aspiration, let each generation
Familian traditions and spirit uphold,
"To God alone Glory" sublime Salutation,
Sure motto inspiring the young and the old.

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