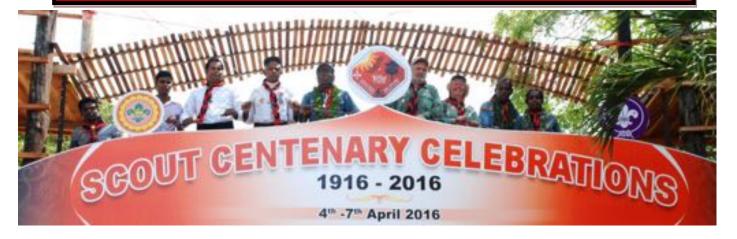
ST JOHN'S COLLEGE, JAFFNA – 1ST TERM NEWSLETTER – 2016



This year, an event of extreme significance was the Scout Centenary. Hundred years ago, in 1916, the Rev. Jacob Thompson, Principal of St. John's College first introduced the Scout Movement to Jaffna. St. John's organized a Scout Centenary Celebration Camp to commemorate this from 4th to 7th April 2016.

In the days leading to the celebrations, almost all the students were trained - presently there are 190 Singithi Scouts, 330 Cub Scouts, 299 Scouts, 298 Sea Scouts and 297 Air Scouts at school – a total of 1414.

Johnians, we have one more achievement to be proud of! We are now the only College in the island with Singithi Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Sea Scouts and Air Scouts!

This was all made possible due to the consistent support of the teachers. To date, 108 teachers have completed Phase I Training,43 teachers Phase II and 41 Phase III. 39 teachers who have completed Phase III will be participating in Phase IV Training to be held from 16th to 22nd April 2016 in NuwaraEliya. For the first time in Sri Lanka, 39 teachers from the same school are going to participate in Phase IV Training. This is going to be the biggest training camp for teachers of one school!

It also needs to be mentioned that two of our teachers, the Rev.V.DanielJeyaruban and Mr.S.S.Thomas were awarded Wood Badges at the National Jamboree held in Jaffna.

The four day celebrations were graced by important dignitaries like the Honourable C.V. Vickneswaran, Chief Minister, Northern Province, Deputy Chief Commissioner and National Training Commissioner from Sri Lanka Scout Association, Leader Trainers and Commissioners from the National Head Quarters, Additional Government Agent, Jaffna District, Officials from the Department of Education, Norwegian Scout Leaders and Scouts from Moratuwa.

The Exhibition, Campsites, the Centenary Gateway and the Scout Logo were centres of attraction.

Students from grade 1 to A/L took part in various games and activities related to Scouting. Even the parents of students from grade1 to 9 took part in 'Fun Time.' Practically, the whole school with the exception of none was involved in the celebrations.

There are two more reasons for St. John's to uprear the crest on high. TheHonourable C.V. Vickneswaran, Chief Minister, Northern Province said, 'St. John's produced citizens of good caliber and people worthy of emulation. Johnians are recognized wherever they went, not only in Sri Lanka but also abroad.'

The Chief Guest,Mr.ShirazSalih, Deputy Chief Commissioner said that as he looks back, he can see the hard work all the Principals of St. John's and Jaffna put in to make the scouting movement in Jaffna grow from strength to strength. He commended everyone for sustaining the movement in the Jaffna Province even through periods of war and said that the National Head Quarters was indebted to us all.

He also said that forty one teachers completing Phase IV will break the Sri Lankan record!St. John's has broken ground records in sports but this is totally a new kind of record the Collegeis poising to set!

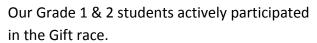
Be a proudJohnian! Be proud to be a Johnian!

Lower Primary School First term – 2016

Our Annual Sports meet was held on 11th February.



Grade 1 students are welcomed by Gr 2 students.





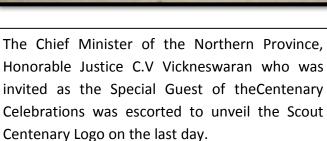
Membership Awards for Scout Singithi members were given on 4th March 2016.



Our students participated in the Scouts Jamboree held in Jaffna on 26.02.20169. Seen below is a photograph taken with the Chief Minister at the Closing Ceremony.



Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals were awarded to the best thirty Cub Scouts who performed well in the Cub Scout Activities held during the Scout Centenary Celebrations from April 4^{th} to 7^{th} .





Upper Primary School- 1st Term 2016

The Primary School Sports meet was held on11th February 2016. Rev.JasonSelvaraja,Senior Pastor, Assemblies of God, Jaffna, and MrsM.Selvaraja, were the Chief Guests.Pargiter house emerged Champions.



Pargiter House Rev. & Mrs. Selvaraja

Monitors Installation was held on 19/2/2016.J.S. Arnold is the Head Prefect and Prushoth. V is the Deputy.



Head Prefect

Deputy Head Prefect

Our students participated in the 9th Scouts Jamboree which was held in February in Jaffna.



Grade 4C & 5B won first places in the Tamil Drama competition which was held in February.



Grade-4C Grade-5B

Our students and parents actively participated in our Scouts Centenary Celebration which was held from 4th February to 7th February 2016.





Pack Corner

Walking on the Rope- Competition



Fixing the World Scout Emblem- Competition

Musical Chairs - Parents' Activity

Students involve in physical exercise in the mornings at school.



S. Harvin of Grade 4 becamechampion in the boys' Under 11 Badminton Tournament conducted by the Jaffna District Badminton Association in February.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Tamil Day was held on 23rd of February 2016. Mr. Sadakobanwas the Chief Guest.
- ➤ Inter-class Tamil Drama Competitionswere held on 28th of January 2016 Grade 6C and 7E won the 1st place.



Middle School Monitors

Head Prefect- Harish A of Gr 7E

Deputy Head Prefect- Abishek A of Gr 7A



Manuscriptsof students for Library Day



Drill Display

130students participated in the Drill Display in the Inter- House Sports Meetheld on 30th January 2016



- ✓ Grade 6&7Parents' Meeting was held on January 16thand 23rd.
- ✓ Our students joined the Land Scout, Sea Scout and Air Scout
- ✓ All Grade 7 students have got Scout Membership Badges.
- ✓ Mrs. S Sivapalanwas promoted as Headmistress of the Primary School and Mrs.K.Arulraj as Supervisor of the Middle school.
- ✓ 90 students from the Middle School got Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for Scout Activities on 7th April 2016.

Scout Activities







JUNIOR SECONDARY

Ten of students participated in the National Scout Jamboree of SriLanka held in Jaffna from February 20th to 26th. They were awarded with Activity badges and Certificates.



Junior Secondary Monitors - 2016



M.Mithulanwon the Gold Medal in the **Spoken English Examinations** Conducted by the College.



Secondary Junior **Tamil** Day **Drama Competition - 9D Students** became Winners.



Best Actors- Tamil Day Drama Competition

G.Ramyagayan (8C)

E.Thavasuthan (9B)



The Under 13 Cricket team became **Jaffna District Champions**





Under 13 Athletic team -**Divisional Meet**



V.Nivethan **National Karate** Championship -2015 **Declared as an Excellent** Performer



Under 13 Football team became Zonal Level Runners up



New Invention **National Level** Silver Medal



Art Competition Zonal Level 1st Place

T.Sathuraian



Inter House Athletic Meet- P.T Squad





S.AronKishanA.Sukethan 100% Attendance



J.RobertAnojan

Provincial Level 2nd Language Competition 2nd Place



Senior Secondary Level





Dr.KarunyanArulanatham addresses the Grade 10 Parents' meeting and gives away medals to those who got distinctions in Spoken English Examinations 2015



Grade ten students staged a programme called "KanamumKadchiyum" It was well appreciated by the audience.



Handy House won First Place in March Past



Kesavan.T First place in Discus Throw atSchool and Divisional Levels



Enochsan N.R First Place in 200m Race andHurdlesin the School and Divisional Levels



Senior SecondaryMonitors
Batch 2016
Senior Prefect – M.Thanusan
Deputy Senior Prefect – P.ElshanDenushan





Students from our section participated in the Scout Centenary Celebrations from 4thto 7th April 2016



St.John's College, Jaffna

A/L Arts Stream- First Term- 2016



Educational Achievements

A/L -2015- Eligible to Enter the University

M.Mayooran-2A,B(District Rank-35) B.Sam David- A,B,C K.Kabilstan- A,B,S R.Sharmilan-2B,CA.Athman-2B,CP.Dilaksan-A,B,CA.Arulnesan-A,B,C

Sports And Games

Members of the Hockey Team-2016 - Members of the 1st XI Cricket Team-2016

R. Sange evan, S. Elilan, A. Mathava seelan V. Tamilnilavan & S. Sathrak M. Nilojan S. Ajay K. Kabilraj J. Subeedsan M. Nilojan S. Ajay K. Kabilraj M. Nilojan S. Ajay K. Nilojan S. Aj











Best Hockey Player

AthleticChampionsScout Centenary - Gold Medal Winners

S.Thevakumaran Ş.Ajai S.Elilan N.Stepan







Tamil Day AchievementsMembers of the Band Team C. Delakshan Joel A. Isainilavan

AnnouncerSpeech 1st placeL.R T Captain of the Debate TeamN The Best Debater of the Law Faculty competition



Partheepan





Drama First Place - UPAE

Best ActorScript Writing 1 $^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{t}}$ PlaceTranslation 1 $^{\mathfrak{s}\mathfrak{t}}$ Place







S.MathushanS.PoustenR.Ravivarman

AIMS:

TO PREPARE THE STUDENTS FOR THE JOB WORLD

TO INSTILL THE JOHNIANS SPIRIT IN CHILDREN

Collegiate Level Commerce

Jubilarian



Mr.T.Nanthakumaran Our supervisor, becomes a jubilarian on February 01, 2016.

Association of Accounting Technicians of Sri Lanka SRI LANKA JANUARY 2016 EXAMINATION ALL ISLAND FIRST



Mas. S. Mithushan got the first place in the all island AAT Stage III examination which was held on January 2016 in the medium of English. By getting through this exam, he is eligible for President's Prize and Prof. Lakshman R. Watawala Prize. In addition, he secured the first place in the Rupavahini Quiz Competition and has been awarded Player of the Year for Carrom.

Divisional Athletic Meet - March 14, 15 & 16, 2016



Sivathatharshan.T Kishyanthan.A Kishanthujan.J Diroshan.E High Jump 2nd Long Jump 2nd Triple Jump 2nd



Shot Put 2nd



High Jump 1st



4X100 m - 1st 4X**400 m - 1st**

Law Faculty Debate Championship on January 30, 2016



T.Sukirthan 2nd Runners-up

Best Wicket Keeper



Thevaprashanth.C was awarded the best Wicket Keeper of the match in the Big Match held on March 10,11,12,2016

Air Rifle Shooting Competition



Danial.F.C took part in the national level shooting competition held in Colombo on February 18, 2016. He represented the Zonal Level Soft Ball Cricket Team and secured the 3rdplace as well.

Danial.F.C

Divisional Athletic Meet March 14, 15 & 16, 2016



Kabilraj.K 4X100 Relay - 1st First Eleven Cricket Player



Deluxshan.V 100 m - 1st $200 \text{ m} - 2^{\text{no}}$ 3rd Place - Zonal Soft Ball Cricket

AAT Program

College Our has introduced the **AAT** (Association of Accounting Technician) Study Programme for our A/L students. It is an ideal course for those who prefer Those Accounting. following AAT from our section:

- LVI 21
- UPVI 03

Patrol Leader's Training & D.C.Cord

C.J.Johanan completed his Petrol Leader's Training on January 25, 2016 and D.C. Cord on March 13, 2016. He took part in the 9th National Scout Jamboree as well.



.Johanan.C.J

Toastmasters Youth Leadership Programme

E.T.Sugeevan got the 2nd place in the Prepared Speech program on March 26, 2016 at Lakshman Kadirgamar Conference Hall.



E.T.Sugeevan

9th National Scout Jamboree - Jaffna - Sri Lanka – 2016

9th National Jamboree was held in Jaffna on 20th February 2016 in order to build friendship and better understanding and get together as a strong global volunteering community.



Kokulan.C



Scout Centennial Celebration Award

Many students took part in various and activities got awards. 15 students got Gold Medals and 21 students got Silver Medals from our section.

Kokulan.C and Janan.S took part in the program from our section.

Technology Stream – 1st Term 2016

Our students and teachers of Technology Stream visited the Engineering Faculty of Jaffna University situated in Kilinochchi in order to witness the exhibition in February.



The model Scout Camp Site of the Technology stream became 2nd in the competition organized to mark the Scout Centenary of the College this April.



07 Students and 05 teachers including the Principal went on a seven-day educational tour to India in order to visit the universities, colleges and factories this March.

Pictured below is the touring team just before takeoff at the Kattunayaka International Airport.



The students had an opportunity to have an exposure with professionals in engineering.

The tourists visited some of the most important places in Chennai City.



The team visited many factories – the CUMI Abrasives Factory (pictured below) is one among them.



Our students were fortunate enough to listen to the wisdom of some professors of IIT.



Karunya university was one among the several universities visited.



The team returned with new things in their trolleys and new ideas in their heads.



<u>ADVANCED LEVEL SCIENCE STREAM</u>



Mr.P.Sriharan is following the Postgraduate Diploma.



Mr.K.Kalaichelvan has begun his Postgraduate Diploma.



Mas.K.Kirushanth obtained 1st place in 10,000 m race.He also got 100% attendance this term

- AL results ourScience Stream became 3rd in the island.
- Our Olympiad team, led by Mr.S. Sriskantharaja isgoing to take part in the National Level competitions.

All Island Titration Competition

Mas.Livindan.S and Mas.Kajeevan.G got 2nd and 3rd Place in the competition respectively.



Bio Stream 9As - 2015-O/L



Joy Vithusan.EMalaravan.S

AustralianQuizCompetition- National Level 2nd Place

T.Braman.HD Excellence Dhuhinthan .G -Julius Charoon.D Newton.M

High Distinction Sivakajan.K



Subakaran.R

Gold Medal Speech 1stPlace T.Ragavan



St.John **Ambulance** President Mithursan.A



JeguDilaksha n.S President SCM



Sharujan.S President Hindu Union



Ron Clever.F President Science Union



Jaffna Academy & School of Technology



Trilingual studies Gr.1C Classroom activity.



Trilingual studies
Gr.2C Classroom activity



Trilingual studies
Gr.3C Classroom activity



Trilingual studies
Gr.4C Classroom activity



Trilingual studies
Gr.4D Classroom activity



Discussion with the LVI Commerce students regarding AAT course



Conducting AAT classes for LVI commerce students

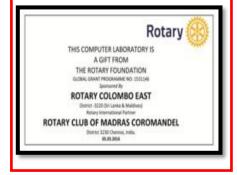


Our staff - registering for the OUSL Pre & Primary School Teacher course.





A section of the staff who successfully completed the OUSL Advanced certificate in English for Business and Professional Communication—Stage 01. Total number completed - 19







Mr.V.S.B.Thuseetharan Senior Vice Principal



Rev.V.DanielJeyaruban Asst.Chaplain



Mr.A.H.Gnanarajan
Newly Appointed Vice Principal



Mr.S.Chandramouleesan Supervisor, Senior Secondary



Mrs.S.Sivapalan Primary Head Mistress



Mr.R.S.Bavananthan Supervisor,



Mrs.E.I.Thevamithiran
Supervisor, Upper Primary



Mrs.K.N.Arularj
Supervisor, Middle School



Mrs.M.J.Jeno Supervisor, Lower Primary



Mr.T.Nanthakumaran

Jubilarian



Mrs.C.M.Jeyasingam
Jubilarian



Mr.M.M.Alphons 60th Birthday



Technology Stream

Educational Tour to India

BOARDERS' UNION 1 STERM 2016



Theme: Train up child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Vision: To provide a sweet homely environment for the children.

Goal: To attain all-round development.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET: - 2016



S.Elilan

Un.19 Champion



S. Michel Daniel

Ground Secretary



M.Nilojan

Un.21 Champion

Pictures taken at Lunch& MusicalShoworganized byour Old Boys from abroad for hostellers.







Achievement in the O/L Examination 2015







J.Kirubavan 6A,B,2C

M.Mathumithan 5A,2B,C,S

R.Kubendran 5A,2C,2S





Both the Hostellers playedfor the First XI Cricket team.

From the Principal's Pen:

This term has been a rather busy. Before I proceed any further, I wish to thank everyone who made the Scouting Centenary a gigantic success.

I wish to write about the educational tour to India that was undertaken by 7 students, four teachers and me. This was the first foreign educational excursion organized by St. John's College according to available records. This was made possible due to the support of Mr. Leslie, one of the Consultant Engineers who has undertaken to upgrade the Technology Faculty to Engineering Faculty standards. It must also be mentioned at this juncture that it was Mr. Leslie who donated Rs.1 million to build the hostel washrooms in 2013/2014. I am greatly indebted to Mr.Leslie Gunaratnam and all his friends for all the help rendered.

We visited six Engineering Institutions and four Major Manufacturers. The teachers and students now have a better understanding of the higher education system of India. They now have a clear idea of the pathways available after A/L for a Sri Lankan student in India.

St. John's is in the process of linking with Karunya University and RVS College affiliated to Anna University. Why? Because about 250,000 students sit for the Advanced Level exam in Sri Lanka every year but there are only seats for 1500 engineering students.

The tuition fees, accommodation and meals are not too expensive in India. It has been found that a student needs to spend about \$ 2,400 per annum to study in Colombo whereas \$ 3,000/= would suffice to follow an Engineering Degree in reputed universities in India.

Now arrangements are being made to get Engineering/ Dental and all the other degrees up to PhD. Sri Lankan students offering subjects in the Technology Stream for Advanced Level can take a Bridge Course in India and enter the Engineering Faculty in India.

After grade 10, students can take a three-year (Indian Polytechnic Diploma Programme (vocational training programme) and join the Engineering faculty in the second year. In Sri Lanka, however, a student has to sit for the O/L exam in grade 11 wait for about six months for the results, study A/L for two years and wait for 1½ years to get into a university. Therefore, one could save two years by studying at Karunya.

Alternatively, one can get admission to the first year (Engineering), if he/she gets at least 50 for Maths, Physics and Chemistry.

During our stay in India, we also visited Geedee Public School, a link school of St. John's College, under the British Council's Connecting Classrooms and Schools online programme. The visit served to strengthen the partnership between the two schools.

A student who came on the excursion requested Mr. Leslie to organise similar excursions in the future for the benefit of the others in the Technology stream. This 'invitation' is not restricted to Mr.Leslie alone. Anyone who has an urging in the spirit to help can help. You may sponsor the visit of a child to India for just Rs. 50,000. It can be a life-changing excursion / experience for him.

Rev. N.J.Gnanaponrajah Principal St. John's College