# Newsletter- October 2023

# **Rev. Fr. John Suresh Social Projects**

Prayerful Greetings from Rev. Fr. Backia Regis, Rev Fr Davidnesan and Nandhini Krishnan. We are very happy to pen a few words of our activities that happened in Neerpair campus. We wish you all had a great idea from our newsletter.

## Dr R Arulappa Higher Secondary School

#### **Reopening School:**

After a long summer vacation, the schools were reopened on June 12. The management gave a warm welcome to all the students. During the prayer service, the headmaster gave instructions to be followed by the students for this academic year. The students were very happy to see their friends after a long time.

#### Admission:

This year we had good admissions at our school. Currently, we have 870 students, out of whom 492 are boys and 378 are girls.

## Free Text Book and Note Book:

On the reopening day itself, we provided free text books and note books issued by the government. The students were very happy to get books and notes to pursue their studies



#### Literary Association:

The formation of literary associations is part of our academic activities. For all the subjects, an association was formed and students were divided equally for all the associations. Then we had the inauguration of the association on July 15. The main motto of the association is to conduct various activities that will bring out the hidden talents of the children. Every month, the associations will conduct programmes for the students.

#### **Independence** Day Celebration:



In every country, Independence Day celebrations are something special and unique. Our nation got independence on August 15, 1947. Rev. Fr. Amul Raj, the parish priest of Kadapakkam, presided over the function. The students gave various cultural programmes insisting on the importance of the day.

## **Cycle Distribution:**

We never fail to get government programs that are useful to students. We applied for the free bicycle scheme through the government, and when we got it, we provided it to the students. Our local MLA Mrs. Maragatham Kumaravel (Member of the Legislative Assembly) presided over the function and she distributed it to the students on August 9th and also, she promised that she will help to construct girl's toilet from MLA fund. The students were very happy to ride the bicycle, and some students come to school by bicycle.

#### **Medical Camp:**

Every month the doctors and nurses from Nallamur Primary Health Centre come to our school and conduct medical checkup for our students freely. If the students are found with any disease they recommend to the hospital for the treatment. The students benefit a lot from this medical camp.

#### **Benefactors Day Celebration:**

The backbone of our school and our beloved Pappa Dr. Johannes Mispagel, and friends from Germany visited our school. The day of their visit to school and boarding was celebrated as Benefactors Day by our students. Our students and teachers were very happy to receive them and gave various programs to entertain them. Our students interacted with our German friends and shared their love and joy among themselves.

The most important event of that day is our Dr Johannes Mispagel and German friends, took part in the foundation laying ceremony for the girl's toilet in our school campus.

Also, they inaugurated and visited the science exhibition prepared by our students. The students explained very well about their experiments with the help of the teachers. Few of our German friends remembered their valuable time during previous visits to the school and boarding. At the end of the day, team have presented their electronic gadgets to the school for the student's development.



# **<u>R C Primary School:</u>**

The R C Primary School in Neerpair is also a part of our Dr. Arulappa School. Nearly 120 students are studying in primary school. During the visit, students of the Mariano-Josephinum, German friends interacted with our primary students and spoke about their team Kanavu – dream.



World Food Day which fell on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Main aim of this day is to eradicate the hunger fight of the poor in the world. To make our school students to aware of this day and the importance of the food, Ms. Nandhini Krishnan and LEAD students provided food (Briyani) to all Primary School Students. Our Children were so much happy and they enjoyed the food. After lunch, LEAD students played games and did some activities with our Primary students.





## **St John's Home:**

## Visit to St John's home

After the visit to Schools, Our Team have visited the Home and inquired about the wellness and comfort of our students and provided Toys & play kits to the boarding children.



Our Boarding Warden, Mr. Samson and our School Teacher Ms. Jenifer have started their life together on September 2023. Ms. Nandhini Krishnan joined the occasion and blessed them.

## **Sponsoring Food and Play Materials:**

A team from JEEVITHAM trust visited our hostel on 14th of August and sponsored lunch and play materials for our children and spent the whole day with our children.

## Yoga and Meditation Training:



The ASSEFA trust from Pooriyambakkam village gave three days of yoga and meditation training for our children in the evening. They also gave practices how to concentrate on studies and other things.

## Pappa Dr Johannes Mispagel and His Team Visit



While our German Friends visit, the Bishop of Diocese Most. Rev. Neethinathan welcomed our guest and had a small gathering.



Thereafter, The Team visited the one of the booming IT companies, Facilio and met Mr. Prabu Ramachandran, founder of Facilio and brought up of our Rev Fr John Suresh. We had great times there.



The following days, The Nodal Agent and The Parish Priest of Chrompet, Rev. Fr. Backia Regis have arranged a mass and a dinner to our team. They received us with their fulfilled heart.

# Homage to Rev. Fr. John Suresh's Tomb:

Our Beloved Pappa Dr Johannes Mispagel and German friends paid tribute to our Rev. Fr. John Suresh's tomb at Diocesan Bishop House, Chinglepet.



# WE Group:



The WE group members are really in heavenly joy to see our Pappa, Dr. Johannes Mispagel, Mrs. Kathrin Haase and our friends of Mariano-Josephinum and other friends from Germany. There was a small gathering at CHEER HOME, Siruseri. The WE group gave a PowerPoint presentation about Our Visionaries and about Indian society. Some of our members shared their experiences and how the WE group has changed their lives. After the gathering, few students shared their joyous occasion with German Friends.

## **CHEER HOME:**

Damma Yatra (Rally of Peace), plan to lay the Statue of King Ashoka in Nagpur an historical event in India. This Yatra (walk) starts from Kerala, Andhra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, finally will lay in Nagpur, Maharashtra. During the yatra through Tamil Nadu, Yatra group have visited our CHEER home and stayed here. Happy to be the part of this historical moment.

Rev Fr John Suresh's formed a group named Nila Dhamma, they all part of our CHEER Home. They gathered here on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023, to discuss about the yatra and we celebrated the occasion.



## SUCCESS STORY

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Raj Prasad, hailing from Chennai. I would like to share my success with



you all through this Newsletter. I lost my mother at a very early age. I have one brother. My father is not educated; therefore, he goes for daily wages. With my father's earnings, it's too difficult to run the family and get an education. My father somehow came to know about Rev. Fr. John Suresh and placed my brother and me at Dr. R. Arulappa Higher Secondary School. I started to study in 5th grade, and my brother in 6th grade. My brother and I completed our school education there completely with the help of Rev. Fr. John Suresh and Ms. Nandhini Krishnan. Soon after my school studies, I did my college studies at MCC (Madras Christian College) through our WE group. I studied in the physical education department. At present, I am working for SS Enterprise

as a sales executive. I earn, and I take care of my family. At this juncture, I sincerely thank Rev. Fr. John Suresh and Ms. Nandhini Krishnan, who helped me in all ways to have a bright future. I could stand on my own. I also sincerely thank our loving Pappa, respected Dr. Johannes Mispagel, and friends from Europe. Because of your kind heart and support, many get an education like me to have a dignified life in society. Once again, I thank everyone for helping me have a good education. Thank you.

## **True Story:**

Greetings of love and joy from Rishika from St. John's Home for Children in Need. I am



studying in the 8th standard at Dr. R. Arulappa Higher Secondary School. When I was two years old, my father died, and my mother married another man and left me. From then on, my aunty takes care of me and my sister. I stay in our St John's Home. I enjoy both school and boarding. The teachers are very kind and talented. They teach us very well. I am given a lot of opportunities to develop my skills. I also enjoy St John's Home. The wardens, rector, and workers take good care of us. We get good food and there is a very nice atmosphere here. Our sister, Ms. Nandhini Krishnan, often pays a visit and inquiries about our well-being. She gives good care to all the students. I am very happy and lucky to be here. Thank you.

## Action in Progress - Nodal Officer - Nandhini Krishnan



Our Rev Fr John Suresh very immensely participated in the Political and Social affairs. As I have been with him for long time, I Knew his political knowledge, he supported many political parties by his thoughts. Somehow, he was inspired and got a thought to give awareness about our The Constitution of India to the people. Later it had become as the one of the visions of our Rev Fr John Suresh.

The one of the Visions of our Beloved Rev. Fr. John Suresh, that is Our Constitution have to be reach out to all people of our country. To reach this vision, we distributed "The Preamble" an introductory part of the Constitution in the frame format at CHEER'S HOUSE by our Pappa Dr Johannes Mispagel during their Visit. Till now I have distributed more than 600 Preamble Frame to the people in various occasions. I hope this small initiation will give a good result to Fulfil the one of the dreams of our Rev Fr John Suresh.

The most important action, The German Club was formed last week and the student details have furnished through email to our German team.



And the Third most action in progress, We are planning to start a weekend class for Mathematics and English for our St John's Home students with the help of our WE group students. They felt that it will be their contribution to the society in good manner. I wish these classes will broaden up our children's thoughts and improve their knowledge in subjects.

Thank you, all our benefactors, in Germany, Belgium (Mr Jacque Vellut from Mercy Home, and Mr Dirk Portier and friends) and other Europe friends by your heart filled support and guidance for our project in India. Through your unconditional love and care to our Children, many marginalized families are able to meet their daily needs through the Education.

- From Rev Fr Backia Regis, Rev Fr Davidnesan, Ms Nandhini Krishnan and Editorial Team