



St John's Campus - Neerpair

News Letter-December 2023

Dear Pappa and Dear Friends,

Prayerful Greetings from Rev Fr Backia Regis, Rev Fr Davidnesan, Nandhini Krishnan, Staff and Students of St John's Campus and WE Group Students

I hope everyone is doing well and anticipating the wonderful day that will be joyfully enjoyed. We have the same expectations for the celebration. As the year draws to a close, we would like to share a few of the events that took place here.

Children's Day Celebration



In India, November 14th is observed annually as Children's Day. Regretfully we missed owing to cyclone and lot of rain. Later it was celebrated on October 20, 2023.

Medical Camp

We have been holding periodic medical camps in November at our school since early 2001. The proponent and advocate of this programme is Our Rev. Fr. John Suresh. This year, the Nallamur Primary Health Centre served as the organising hub for the camp. Medication assistance was provided to the students. This was a very beneficial programme for our students.

Commencement of Examination



The half-yearly examination for this academic year began on December 13 and ended on December 22. The schools will reopen on January 2. Due to the exam, both our teachers and students are quite busy.

Christmas Celebration in School



As everyone knows, Christmas is a joyful season that is observed by a huge number of people worldwide. As Christmas as a public holiday prior to it we celebrated it on 19th December. Our teachers received beautiful Christmas gifts and our kids presented a variety of activities.

Cultural Festival

At the district level, the Tamil Nadu government organised cultural festivals. Our pupils took part in numerous cultural activities and took home numerous awards. A few of our pupils have been chosen to compete at the state level. We are proud of our kids for their outstanding participation in the cultural events.

St John's Home Christmas Celebration:



This month's 22nd is designated as Christmas Day at St. John's Home for Children in need. In addition to giving vibrant performances, the students received beautiful gifts. The kids also created a gorgeous crib.

Cyclone & Flood:

We experienced a cyclone and significant rainfall in November. As a result, the entire city of Chennai as well as three districts in Tamil Nadu—Chingleput, Thiruvallur and Kanchipuram were under water. People quickly suffered, as result it took many days for them to return to their regular lives. They were left malnourished, without access to food, shelter, electricity, or clean water. Many of the impoverished people's belongings were lost in the flood. By the third week of December, the southern region of Tamil Nadu—particularly Kanniyakumari, Thirunelveli, Tuticorin, and Thenkasi was submerged under water, with severe consequences for the local populace. The dwellings suffered significant damage from this flood, and several of them were completely wiped away. As whole, the December turned a disaster to certain regions of Tamil Nadu.

Relief works



Due to flood, people lost many things. We collected some relief material from our friends distributed to affected and the needy people.

Belgium Friends Visit:



We had two Belgian friends Tino and Bouddhi, with us in November. After spending two weeks with us, they left to go back home. They travelled to several locations while they were here, primarily our school and the boarding house.

Christmas is the season which not only brings happiness and joy but also unites our family, relatives and friends. Also, it gives happiness and an opportunity to remember and to wish our loved ones whom we cannot meet on this day. We wish and may all these be yours at Christmas. **"MAY THE JOY THAT FILLED THE WORLD AT THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST BE FOUND IN YOUR HOME."** May the Infant Jesus lighten your burdens, strengthen you and guide you in all aspects of your life. In midst of Christmas Eve, we



remember Rev. Fr. John Suresh to shower his blessings to each one of us. Wishing you a season full of light and laughter for you and your family. **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MAY YOU HAVE THE YEAR 2024 BE FILLED WITH GREAT HOPE. Pray that God may shower his abundant blessing and keep you all in his providence all through this year.** Take care and We always remember you all in our prayers.

-Rev Fr Backia Regis, Fr Davidnesan, Ms Nandhini Krishnan & Editorial Team .