

S. Thomas' College Gurutalawa

Prize Day 2019

HEADMASTER'S REPORT



CHIEF GUEST:

The Rt. Rev. Dulcep De Chickera

(Emeritus Bishop of Colombo)

and

Mrs. Geetha De Chickera

Chairperson

Mr. Senaka De Fonseka

(Manager-STC-Gurutalawa)

Saturday 21st September 2019

at

Canon.A.J. Foster Memorial Hall @ 10.00 A.M.

HYMN FOR SRI LANKA

O Father, thou hast promised
The isles shall wait for thee
The joyous isles of ocean,
The jewels of the sea
Lo! We this island's watchmen,
Would give and take no rest
For thus hath thou commanded
Till our dear land be blessed.//

Then bless her, mighty Father,
With blessings needed most,
In every verdant village
By every palmy coast
On every soaring mountain
O'er every spreading plain,
May all her sons and daughters
Thy righteousness attain.//

Give peace within her borders,
That there may be goodwill
The love all unsuspecting
The love that works no ill,
In loyal, lowly service
Let each from other learn
The guardian and the guarded,
Till Christ himself return.//

To him our land shall listen,
To him our land shall kneel
All rule be on his shoulders
All wrong beneath his heel,
O consummation glorious
Which now by faith we sing
Come, cast we up the highway,
That brings us back the king.//

Rev. Walter Stanley Senior (1876 – 1938)
Poet of Sri Lanka, Seeker of Soul, Servant of God

PROGRAMME

1. Welcoming the Chief Guests
2. Lightning of the Traditional oil lamp
3. Hymn for Sri Lanka
4. Opening Prayer - Rev. Fr. Charles David -Chaplain
5. Headmaster's Report - Ven. S. P. Nesakumar
6. Special Item I - Middle & Upper School
7. Address by the Chief Guest - The Rt. Rev. Duleep De Chickera
8. Distribution of Prizes - Primary School
9. Special Item II - Middle & Upper School
10. Distribution of Prizes - Middle School
11. Special Item III - Primary school
12. Distribution of Prizes - Upper School
- Special Prizes
14. Vote of Thanks
Proposed by: - Mr. Bandula Vithanage,
(Senior Vice President -OBA – STCG)
Seconded by: - Master. Agash Sachin -College Prefect
15. College Song
16. National Anthem

THE HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Your Lordship Bishop Duleep De Chickera and Mrs. Geetha De Chickera, our Manager and chairperson of today's event Mr. Senaka de Fonseka, Rev. Fathers, OBA (Snr) Vice President Mr. Bandula Vithanage, members of the Board of Governors Distinguished Old Boys, parents, Well Wishers, Members of tutorial staff, Administrative staff, Support staff, friends and my dear students.

Gurotalawa extends a very warm and cordial welcome to you all to the most important event on our College calendar –the annual Prize Day. We are indeed glad and encouraged by your presence this morning.

We consider it a privilege and pleasure to have with us at this function The Rt. Rev. Duleep De Chickera and Mrs. Geetha De Chickera as our Chief Guests. Bishop Duleep you are a product of Royal College where you excelled both in studies and games. After completing a bright career, you entered the Theological College and obtained the Bachelor's Degree in Theology from the University of Serempore in 1972. You also obtained the Master's Degree in Education at the University of Oxford.

You have been the Chaplain of Bishop's College and S. Thomas' College Mount Lavinia and later Sub-Warden of S. Thomas' College Mount Lavinia. We know and witness your specialty and Theological bent lie in Reconciliation and Peace. The award you received from the Faculty of Ecumenical Studies of the University of Geneva amply testifies to your eminence. You were consecrated as Bishop of Colombo on 24th May, 2001. Since then, your care and concern for us continued to increase daily for which we give you our bountiful thanks.

All of us here specially the old boys and the teachers are grateful for your role in the revival of STC-Guru in 2007. Today we are able to stand on our own because of your guidance. Your constant support and encouragement are highly appreciated. You made it a point to visit every section of the college, meet the teachers and the students during your pastoral visits. We thank you and wish you God's choicest blessing for a fruitful period of continued ministry.

Mrs Geetha De Chickera is an Old Girl of Methodist College Colombo. You are a Lawyer by training but a teacher by profession. You have taught in leading schools like S. Thomas' College Mount, Bishop's College and Methodist College. Your experience both in the legal and educational fields, contributed a lot to his Lordship in his ministry. We trust you will be able to sense the anxiety our children are experiencing to receive their prizes from your gracious hands.

On behalf of Gurotalawa, I thank you for gracing this occasion and welcome you both most warmly.

Mr. Senaka De Fonseka our College Manager and the Chairperson of this function. This is an appropriate occasion to express our gratitude to you for your concern and guidance. We are indeed pleased to welcome you today.

Mr. Bandula Vithanage, the (Snr) Vice President of the OBA, your presence is a source of encouragement to us. We thank you and your team for your deep interest in the affairs of the school.

Beyond the veil

Rev.Fr. Harold Goodchild, a great servant of the Lord passed away at the age of 96 on the 6th of January 2018. The Funeral service was held at the chapel of Transfiguration, S.Thomas' College-Mount Lavinia. The Headmaster Staff & Students of Guru participated in the funeral service.

Since his retirement Fr. Goodchild had been with the family of Athuala Senaratne, an old boy of STC Gurutalawa. Their commitment in this endeavour of taking care of him is highly commendable.

Rev.Fr. Harold Goodchild was appointed as a chaplain in 1964 and also served as the acting Headmaster from 1989-1990. His most significant contribution was the faith he invested in the children. Fr. Goodchild had been named "Cuthbert" because when he was born in 1923 the Church calendar has celebrated the feast day of St. Cuthbert Bishop of Lindisfarne on the 4th of September. St. Cuthbert had been a famous teacher, pastor and a shepherd and Fr. Goodchild has certainly proved worthy of the name by his ministry at Gurutalawa. Despite the many years of dark and sad experiences he knew that there was a silver lining in each dark cloud. Fr. Goodchild had been the closest advisor, confidante and a friend to the Headmaster in spite of the difference in age and years in the priesthood.

Rev.Fr. Goodchild had been a mentor a guiding light an inspiration to many who were in the College during the spells he had in the School on the hills. He also contributed much to scouting, hockey and to the discipline of the students. May his soul rest in peace.

Mr. K. Mohan Kumar – our cricket coach; We also record with deep regret the passing away of Mohan on 30th April 2019. We remember with gratitude his many acts of kindness and dedication to our school. Our deepest sympathies are with his wife Sivadharshi and children Agash and Sangeshani.

Appreciation

I would like to appreciate the following persons for the services rendered to the College.

Mr.Samantha Perera who assumed duties on the 1st of May 2016 as the Chief Operating Officer. He served till the 10th January 2019. He was dedicated and very conscious of his duties assigned to him. Being an old boy of Guru he did his very best to take the College to greater heights.We wish him and his family every success in the future. We wish him good health, and happiness in the years to come.

Miss. Jacintha Inch, who had been the Secretary for nearly Ten years, rendered a great service. She was very duty conscious and performed all her duties to the best of her knowledge. We wish her a happy retirement and a healthy life.

Rev. Saman Jayasooriya joined the College as an assistant teacher in 2008 and served until 2018.He was promoted to the post of Supervisor in 2016 and served in that capacity till 2018. He did his best to develop the students by getting them involved in various programmes. We Thank Rev. Saman Jayasooriya and wish him all the best.

The report I am presenting today covers a period of one year, since our last Prize Day in July 2018.

The Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi

Chaplaincy Team: The Headmaster

Chaplain; The Rev.Fr.Charles David

The College Chapel, which has been a place of peace and tranquillity not only to the Christian community, but also to others, continues to be the spiritual hub of the School. Christian children gather in the Chapel every morning for meditation and prayers led by a member of the staff, before school commences. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist is held on Sundays for which the Christian staff and students and a few outsiders to participate. We celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on the 4th of October 2018. Rev. J. Shadract from Holy Trinity Church –Nuwara-Eliya was the celebrant and preacher.

Enrolment

The current number on roll is 678 the break down

Lower School	208
Middle School	224
Upper School	<u>246</u>
Total	<u>678</u>

Christians 10.66%, Buddhists 57.80%, Muslims 24.20% Hindus 7.64%

Examination Results and Work

49 students were presented for the G.C.E. O/L Examination 2018 of which 92% qualified to follow Advanced Level courses. Best results were obtained by B.C.K.A. Bandara with 5 A passes, 3 B passes and 1 C pass and S.M.C.N.Siriwardana with 2 A passes, 5 B passes, 2 C passes.

33 students were presented for the Grade 5 Scholarship Examination in 2018 and one of the students obtained 163 marks.

S.Thoma's College, Gurutalawa

General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination, December - 2018 Results Analysis

No	Subject		Subject No	Medium	No Sat	A	B	C	S	W	No Pass	%
01	Religion	Buddhism	11	Sinhala	30	7	7	13	2	1	29	97%
		Divinity	15	Sinhala	2		2				2	100%
				Tamil	1				1		1	100%
		Islam	16	Sinhala	7			3	2	2	5	71%
				Tamil	7			3	3	1	6	86%
Saivanery	12	Tamil	2		1	1			2	100%		
02	1 st Language	Sinhala Language	21	Sinhala	39		10	17	11	1	38	97%
		Tamil Language	22	Tamil	10		3	5	2		10	100%
03	International Language		31		49	7	17	16	8	1	48	98%
04	Science		34	Sinhala	31		4	16	2	1	30	97%
				Tamil	4				4		4	100%
				English	14			3	7	4	10	71%
05	Mathematics		32	Sinhala	31	1	3	15	11	1	30	97%
				Tamil	4			2		2	2	50%
				English	14			6	6	2	12	86%
06	History		33	Sinhala	39	3	6	27	3		39	100%
				Tamil	10		1	5	4		10	100%
07	Option I	Business Studies	60	Sinhala	17		4	9	4		17	100%
				Tamil	2				2		2	100%
				English	10		1	1	8		10	100%
		Geography	61	Sinhala	14		4	9	1		14	100%
				English	3				3		3	100%
Link (Tamil)	65	Sinhala	3	2	1				3	100%		
08	Option II	Art	43	Sinhala	20		1	18	1		20	100%
				Tamil	8		2	5	1		8	100%
		Music	40	Sinhala	8	3	5			8	100%	
		Dancing	44	Sinhala	4		2	1	1		4	100%
English Lit	46	English	9				3	6	3	33%		
09	Option III	Agriculture	81	Sinhala	6	1	1	4			6	100%
				Tamil	7		1	3	3		7	100%
		Health	86	Sinhala	22	2	8	12			23	100%
				Tamil								
		English										
ICT	80	Sinhala	7		1	6				7	100%	
		English	7		1	5	1		7	100%		

Staff

Academic	54
Administrative	21
Support	<u>47</u>
Total	<u>122</u>

The Academic Supervisors

Mr. Samantha Perera	- Chief Operating Officer
Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura	- Senior Head - Lower School
Rev. K.S. Jayasuriya,	- Sectional Head - Sinhala Section
Mr. A. Amsakumar	- Sectional Head - Tamil Section
Mrs. P.W. Karunaratne	- Sectional Head - Bilingual Section

The above system has been changed to the following from January,2019.

Rev.Fr.Charles David - Chaplain & Sectional Head Lower School

Mr.A.Amsakumar -Sectional Head –Middle School

Mr.V.W.Dikkumbura : Sectional Head - Upper School.

The Tutorial Staff

The present Tutorial Staff is a credit to the School. They play a significant role as educators and have the heavy responsibility of not just teaching subjects, but helping to fix principles and form character.

The following Tutorial Staff joined in 2018/2019

Mrs. P.A. Nagomy, Mrs. R.M.A.Thilini, Ms. A. Pradeepa, Ms. A.V. Hewage, Mrs. I.P.Alawathugoda, Mrs. S.C.M. Senavirathne, Mr.N. Manimuththu, Mrs. M.V. Devi, Mrs.R.S.T. Karunaratne, Mrs. S.D.L.M. Samarawickrama, Miss.R.M.S. Anusha, Mrs. D.Balasoundary

The following left the Tutorial Staff in 2018/2019

Mr.B.Arun, Mr.H.M.N.D. Herath, Mr.W.M.E.P.B. Wijerathne, Mr.N.M.E. Lankathilake, Mrs.A.K. Priyadarshani, Mrs.P.A. Nagomy, Mrs.G.M.B. Azane, Mrs.M.A.B.T. Cooray, Mrs.A. Harshani

We welcome those who joined us during the year and we bid farewell to those who left us with gratitude for their time spent with us and wish them all success and happiness in their future endeavors.

The Administrative Staff

The Administrative Staff of the School play a very important role and is often forgotten due to their silent service of support in the College Office or other departments. They are an important part of the School and my thanks to them cannot be overstated.

The following Administrative Staff joined in 2018/2019

Ms.C.P.Fernandez, Mr.W.Jesus Fernando, Mr.K.Samuel, Mr.A.U.Kodagoda,
Mr.M.M.Shake Mazeen

The following Administrative Staff left in 2018/2019

Mr.D.K.Rasika, Mr.D.G.P.K.Wickramasinghe, Mrs.M.Fairweather,
Ms.A.H.D.Ruwanmalee, Ms.C.P.Fernandez, Mrs.J.A.M.Perera, Miss.M.J.Inch

The Support Staff

Staff members who have completed 20 years of service– Mr.A.H. Karunadasa

The Support Staff too continued to offer their support to the School and were in many ways, indispensable to the smooth running of the School, performing services that no one else can provide.

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The Board of Governors

Chairman (*Ex-Officio*): The Rt. Revd Diloraj Canagasabey-Lord Bishop of Colombo

Hony Secretary: Mr.Rajan Asirwatham

Hony Treasurer: Mr. R. Renganathan

Finance Consultant Mr. Maxwell Gunasekera

Manager of the School: Mr. Senaka de Fonseka

Staff Representative: Mr. Mithra Edirisinghe

Other Members: Ven Perry Brohier, Messrs. Kavinda Dias Abeysinghe,
Ray Abeywardena, Channa de Silva, R. Jayasinghe,
M. Hettiarachchi, PrabhathJayasundara, Mrs.Nirmali
Wickramasinghe and Dr. ArithaWickramanayake

The Board, as the owners of the School, continued to monitor and support the Administration in the running of the School and provided extra funding from time to time. The Manager visited the School on a number of occasions. My special thanks to Rt. Rev. Dhiloraj Canagasabey, the Bishop of Colombo and the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Mr. Senaka de Fonseka, Manager and Mr. Mithra Edirisinghe, Staff Representative of our School.

The Old Boys' Association 2018

	NAME	TITLE
1	Ven. Fr. S. P. Nesakumar	Hon. President
2	Bandula Vithanage	Hon.Snr. Vice President
3	M.T.M. Moorthy	Hon. Vice President
4	Athula Kumaranayake	Hon. Vice President
5	Leo Sebastian	Hon. Vice President
6	Raj Kandiah	Hon. Secretary
7	Mano Gnanaraj	Hon. Treasurer
8	Peter Pereira	Hon. Asst. Secretary
9	Ilanko Arunachalam	Hon. Asst. Treasurer
	Senaka De Fonseka	Manager
10	Athula Thalagala	Over 50 Years
11	Prof. I. Gowaramana	
12	Bimal Bandaranayake	
13	Upul Jayawardana	40 - 50 Years
14	Chandana Fernando	
15	MAM. Rizwan	
16	M .Anzari Afsar	30 - 40 years
17	MAV. Dhushantha	
18	S. Kaviharana	
19	S. Rajmohan	Co Opted Member
	Nihal Wanniarachchi	

We are very grateful to the OBA for the following gifts & donations during the year.

1. A Small playground within the campus. 80 % of the work is completed.
Project management and technical advice were given by Mr.Chryshantha Jayawardana, Mr. Uditha Wijesena, Mr. Banduala Vithanage. Donation were made by the following :Mr.Anil Gammampila, Mr.Arjun Rajawasam, Mr. Chrysantha Jayawardana, Ceylon Tobacco Co. , STCG OBA.
2. A 32 seater school bus.
3. Jerseys for Tournaments and big match.
4. Donation towards the prize giving.
5. A very high quality master dining table set was donated by Mr.K.T. Chandana Fernando of the OBA and We sincerely thank him for his generosity.

In addition the OBA as always has been there to support the college as and when the need arises.

Infrastructure Development

Few Staff Quarters were repaired within the available School funds. There is need to repair another four staff quarters and it will be done when the funds are available.

Old dining hall has been converted in to a prep hall and few dormatries were repaired.

As the student numbers have increased there is a need for additional class rooms in the primary , middle & upper Sections.

A Biogas plant has been installed and it is our hope that gas produced from this project will benefit the kitchen needs.

The Hayman Foundation.

Trustees: The Headmaster, Rev. Marc Billimoria, Messrs: Rajan Asirwatham, Senaka de Fonseka, Merril Aluwihare and A.H.M. Razeek.

The Hayman Foundation Trust Fund reached Rs 4,549,699/- as at 31.03.2019. However, it was decided not to utilise the funds until the Fund has grown further.

The objective of the Foundation is to raise funds on a long term basis for the benefit of the College. The Board of Trustees comprises the Headmaster (Ex Officio), three nominated members of the College Board of Governors [one of whom is the Manager] and two nominated members of the STCG Old Boys' Association.

Any old Thomian who would like to be part of this venture may become a member of the Hayman Foundation by depositing a sum of not less than 1/3rd of the approximately Rs.300, 000/- bequeathed by Mrs Mary Hayman.

CAMPUS FACILITIES

Boarding

Senior Boarding House Master: Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura

Prefect of Discipline: Mr. Samantha Perera (Till 10th January 2019)

Full time Hostel Superintendent- Senior: Mr. E.R.J.M. Rathnasiri

Full time Hostel Superintendent-Junior ; Mr. W.J.Fernando.

Keble(Primary) Matron:Ms. C.P. Fernandez

Asst. Matron: Miss K. Hindumathi

The Senior Boarding House Master ensured the efficient running of the College Hostel both junior and senior with the support of Dorm Masters and House Masters. A Hostel Council chaired by the Headmaster and a number of staff looked into various aspects of the hostel such as food, maintenance etc. and met on a regular basis.

The Sick Room

Sick Room Nurse: Ms. K.G.M.Ranjani

The Sick Room continued to serve the School community. The facilities need to be upgraded to meet the demands of our resident staff and students.

The College Stores

Store Keeper: Mr. R.P. Premadasa

The College Stores is doing well under the management of Mr. R. P. Premadasa and we are grateful for the untiring job done by him.

The College Kitchen & Bakery

Food Warden: Mr.A.U.Kodagoda

We continue to provide a balanced diet for our Boarders. The children continued to have fresh vegetables from our own cultivation plots and fresh milk during the week. The cost of running the College Kitchen was very high and the management had to take measures to cut down the cost while maintaining the quality of food provided.

The Bakery too continued to provide the required items for the consumption of the College community.

The College Farm

Supervisor:Mr.K.M.C.Jayanath

The College Farm is functioning smoothly and it provides fresh milk and fresh vegetables to the School and the excess is sold to the staff and outsiders.We have 06 milking cows, 03 heifer cows and a stud bull.

The College Co-op Shop

The College co-op shop provides all items that are needed by children in the Boarding School. It also provides short eats and other items for the children's consumption.

Film Shows

Seniors continued to have their films on Friday nights while the Juniors have their films on Saturday nights. The film shows are looked forward eagerly by the students and helps to break the monotony of the week's daily rhythm of studies and games. The Films are carefully chosen by the staff in charge.

The Library

Librarian: Mr.W.M. Bandulasena with Mr. K. Samuel

The College Library is functioning well. The Daily Newspapers in all three languages are purchased for the students to develop reading habits. There are number of books and magazines in the reference section. The students have the facility of using the Library till 4.30 p.m.

SOCIETIES & CLUBS

This Report includes only of those Societies and Clubs that have been active during the year under review.

Buddhist Students Society

Master- in -Charge: Mrs. Y.H.P.S.S. Pathirathne

The members of the Buddhist Society were active in 2018. Daily meditation was conducted and students were taken to a nearby Buddhist Temple on Poya Days.

Hindu Students Society

Master- in -Charge: Mr. A. Sivaprasath

The students meet daily for morning prayers and the Society conducted meditation and other programmes for Hindu students on Hindu Holidays. Vani Vizla was celebrated in a grand scale, and happy to note that all the students participated enthusiastically. During Deepavali the Society organized visits to Kovils in Welimada for religious observances. The students sat for the Vivekananda Hindu examination in November 2018. Special classes are held for students about Hindu Religion and its philosophy.

Islamic Students Society

Master- in- Charge: Mr.M.R. Shibly Ahamed

Apart from the conducting of the Morning Prayers to start the day, the Islamic students were permitted to attend Friday Prayers, as in the past, at the Gurutalawa Jummah Mosque under the supervision of Muslim members of staff.

The Islamic students also observed the Ramazan Fast for which the School allowed them to occupy a separate dormitory and were provided with other facilities such as special food, etc. They also celebrated the Meelad-Un-Nabi Festival in the customary manner.

“Ifthar” programme was organized on the 12th day of the Ramazan to break fast. The Headmaster, member of the staff, muslim students and their parents were invited.

Sinhala Literary Society

Teacher- in -Charge: Mrs.S.D.L.M. Samarawickrama

The Sinhala Literary Society continued to meet on a monthly basis and conducted literary activities and competitions among the Sinhala students to enhance their knowledge of Sinhala Literature. The main objective of this Society is not only to strengthen their knowledge but also to provide opportunities for the members to display their hidden talents and creative skills, and to motivate the children of the Sinhala medium.

The students participated in the Divisional, Zonal & Provincial Level Sinhala Day Competitions.

English Literary Association and Debating Society

Teacher –in-Charge: Mrs. Prabha Karunaratne

Students performance at the Divisional Level and Zonal Level English Day Competitions was very high gaining many first places. Three students were selected to take part in the Provincial Competition held in Badulla.

College Annual English Day was held on the 18th of June,2018 on a grand scale.The Assistant Director of Education Mrs.Thusari Wijekoon graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Tamil Literary Society

Teacher -in- Charge: Mrs.P.A. Nagomy

The Tamil Literary Society continued to meet on a termly basis and conducted literary activities and competitions among the Tamil students to enhance their knowledge of Tamil literature.The main objective of this Society is not only to strengthen their knowledge but also to provide opportunities for the members to display their hidden talents and creative skills, and to motivate the children of the Tamil medium. As they participated in competitions, they had achieved a 1st place in Tamil Drama District Level and got a place in speech at the Provincial Level.

Student Saving Centre

Teachers in charge - Mr. A. Amsakumar and Mrs. R.M.S.K. Rathnayake

Seylan Student Saving Centre was reopened in the year 2019 and new co-ordinators were appointed.

During the year several programmes were conducted to encourage the saving habit among the students. Specially year 10 & 11 students were trained by the bank official in the bank premises. It was a great experience for the students who dealt with the bank for the first time.

Information & Communication Technology Club

Master-in- Charge: Mr. S. Kaviharana

ICT Unit is now equipped with additional 15 new PC's with the latest specifications.

The ICT Resource Centre continued to provide facilities to the students to develop their technological skills. The students try their hands on multimedia presentations, short films, and designing stickers and gather information for their day to day studies.

Thomian Society.

Master in Charge: Mr. S. Kaviharana

The members contributed much for the development of the infrastructure of the College. Hayman Foster Memorial Museum provides the historical background of the College to the members, whenever the need arises.

AESTHETIC UNIT

Head of Aesthetic Unit: Mr. K.M.N.D.P. Sugathapala

Under this unit following sections function.

Oriental Music Society

Our students performed well at Zonal and provincial level competitions gaining 1st place and won the 1st place at national level in 2018.

Western Band

Western Band Leader-Master. M.K.A.Mendis

The students performed in all the College functions and participated on invitation in the procession held on the feast of St. Anne's Church Welimada.

Oriental Band

The Oriental Band was a prominent feature at all School activities like the Prize Giving, Children's Day and Teachers Day.

Art & Craft Club

Teachers- in -Charge: Mr. A. Amsakumar and Mrs. R.M.A.Thilini

The students who belong to this Club took part in All Island Art Competitions and won many places.

Agriculture Club

Masters-in-Charge: Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura and Mr.N. Manimuththu

The Club organized Tree Planting Campaigns from time to time. The students visited the Boralanda Farm, Highland Milk Factory, New Zealand Farm at Ambewela and the Botanical Garden in Hakgala to gain practical knowledge of their subject.

College Museum

We have given a new look to our museum and shifted next to the De Saram Memorial Library. This is a good opportunity for our children to access easily and get to know the history of our College and heritage.

SPORTS AND GAMES

Sports Coordinator: Mr.M.M.S. Mazeen

House Masters

Mr. A. Sivaprasath – De Saram House

Mr. S. Kamalathithan– Garnier House

Mr. Peter Colin – Read House

Mrs.R.K.N.Chathurani – Hayman House

Athletics

Coodinator:Mr.M.M.S.Mazeen

The main event of the Athletics calendar 2018 was the Annual Inter House Athletics Meet held on 3rd February, 2018. The Chief Guest was Mr.Ranjith Gunarathne-distinguished old boy in our college.

Events

Road race was held on 26th of January 2018 and Master. A.J.R. Palihakkara of the Hayman House won the first place.

Champion House- De Saram House
Runners Up - Hayman House

Zonal Athletic Meet - 2018

48 Students participated in the Zonal Meet held at STCG Grounds, and obtained 4 first places, 5 second places and 2 places.

The Provincial Athletic Meet -2018

18 students participated in 19 events that was held in July 2018 at Badulla Vincent Dias Stadium.U-16 and U-14 relay teams placed 04th in 4x100 relay events.

Master A.J.R.Palihakkara was placed 3rd in 800m running event with a timing of 02:06:04 and Master K.A.J.K.Kodippiliarachchi came second in the Javeline throw event with 46.40m distance. Both of them were selected for the all island school games 2018.

National Athletics Meet 2018

Master K.A.J. Koddippiliarachchi marked his personal best of 47.02 meters in the javelin throw event. Master A.J.R.Palihakkara finished being among the top 10 by being placed 8th with a timing of 02:07:02 minutes in the 800 meters finals at “ All Island School Games 2018” held from 1st -5th October 2018 at Sugathadasa Stadium in Colombo.

The Horse Riding Club

Master in Charge & Riding instructor: Mr. K.M.C. Jayanath

The Horse Riding Club is functioning smoothly with over 40 members and riding practises held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays after school from 3.30 p.m to 5.00 p.m.

The student of the riding club took part in competitions dressage at Premadasa Riding School, Equeistrain Federation on 8th April 2018 and our boys won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals under the group A, B, C categories, and also took part in special ceremonies parade, the sports meet & annual prize giving ceremony with the horse “Angel”.

Badminton

Masters-in-Charge: Mr.R.M.S.P.K. Medawela (Snr)/ Mr. S. Sivanujan(Jnr)

Our boys performed well this year.

Places obtained,

Provincial

U 17 and U 20 teams came fourth at the provincial tournament held at S Thomas' College Bandarawela and qualified for the semi finals.

National

Two students were qualified for the quarter finals of "Junior National Badminton Championship" held at S Thomas' College Bandarawela.

Rugby Football

Master- in- Charge/Coach: Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura

Our U 16 team took part in the Inter school 10-A-side "Milo" Rugby tournament On the 22nd and 23rd of September 2018 at Maliyadewa College ground in Kurunegala.

1st Round

1st Match

Debarawewa President College Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa (Nil / 29) Won.

2nd Match

DadleySenanayaka College Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa (Nil / 12) Won.

3rd Match

PadukkaPiyarathna College Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa.(7/7) match drawn.

4th Match

Wickramabahu Central College Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa (Nil / 45) won.

We became the group Champion.

2nd Round

Cup Quarter Final

Sri Sumangala College Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa (17/ Nil) Lost.

Plate Semi Final

Asoka Vidyalaya Colombo Vs S Thomas' College Gurutalawa (15 / 7) Lost.

Inter School W.T.Keble Trophy Inaugural Encounter 2018 was played in Diyatalawa SLMA ground, S Thomas' College Gurutalawa Vs STC Prep on the 29th of September 2018. STC Prep won the match.

Inter House Senior & Junior matches were played at College grounds on the 13th and 14th of October 2018.

Senior

Champion House – Hayman House
Runners Up – De Saram House

Junior

Champion House – Hayman House
Runners Up – De Saram House

Cricket

Master- in -Charge: Mr. S. Kaviharana

Coach: Mr. K. Mohan Kumar

The Under 17 Captain Mas. R.K.N.H.Ramanayake.

Uva Thomian Cricket encounter 2018-STC - Bandarawela won the match.

House Matches 2018- (Champions)

Primary - Hayman House
Junior - De Saram House
Senior – Garnier House

Sri Lanka Schools Cricket Association 2018 matches played according to the SLCA Rules & Regulations.

Under 13

Played five matches during the season and won all of them.

Under 15

First Round Matches

Five matches were played and won one match and drew three lost one.

Selected for the Second Round.

STCG vs. Royal College Colombo - Royal College won the match

STCG vs. Harischandra National College – Match drawn

Total of matches played for the Cricket Season in 2018 was Seven.

Under 17

STCG vs. Badulla MMV - Match drawn

STCG vs. Chandananda MV - Match drawn

Played a friendly match with Police Training School and STCG won the match.

Swimming

Master- in -Charge:Rev. C. D. David

Coach: Mr. Nimal Hettiarachchi

After a long await we were able to get the services of Mr. Nimal as our swimming coach, since then regular practices were carried out and we were able to participate in a coaching camp organized by “Sri Lanka Schools’ Aquatic Association”.

10 students participated and they were able to complete it successfully.

We hope to compete in many events in coming days.

Hockey

Master in Charge – Mr. Peter Colin

Coach – Mr. Shiraz Khan

Our Hockey players have performed extremely well this year.

Friendly Matches

Played against Sri Buddha Jayanthi College - STCG won (10/Nil)

Annual Hockey Encounter

Played against S.Thomas’ College-Mount Lavinia and STCG won the match(3/Nil)

The College team competed in the “Sri Lanka Inter Schools U 14 boys Hockey Nationals 2018 and Guru won the match against Sri SumangalaCollege (2/1 goals)

The match played against Nalanda College Colombo, was also won by Guru. Guru also claimed victory once again, against Sirimawo College Matale.

Finally Guru also won the match against ParakramaVidyalaya and succeeded in achieving Gold star in group J category.

STCG emerged as the unbeaten team in their particular group.

Notable performance: Master S.M.M.S. Khan

: Master S.A.U.C. Subasinghe

: Master H.M.R.M. Herath

Under 16 Boys Nationals 2018 STCG won the match against St. Benedict’s and Hindu College Matale.

The match against Kingswood College Kandy was Drawn Nil all.

The only match we lost was against Mahinda College Galle (1 / nil)

Notable Performance : Master U.H.R.Wikash and : Matser M.F.M. Amry

Squash

Master in Charge- Mr.Indika Perera

Coach – Mr. S.K.M. Azane

The boys were very keen in practicing squash. This year U 18 boys took part in the “All Island Novices Squash Championship”.

U 16 -Master P.M.Dharshika became the Third Runner Up.

U 18 -Master S.Jayasinghe became the Third Runner Up.

U 12 -All boys won their matches , Four boys won the Novices championship.

Football

Master in Charge-Mr.A. Sivaprasath

Coach:Mr.M.M.S.Mazeen/Mr.A.M.M.Maheer

Zonal

After a laps of few years , this year our U 16 Football team participated for the school football tournament at Zonal Level and emerged as the runners up.

Played 3 matches won two and lost one.

Provincial

Our U 16 football team participated at the provincial football tournament which was held at Badulla Vincent Dias Stadium.

Played two matches won one and lost one.

In June 2018 our U 12 team participated for “Road to Barcelona” Football carnival held in “Vincent Dias Stadium in Badulla”, and M.I.Ammar was selected for the Badulla District Football pool.

Basketball

Master in Charge:Mr.B.G.D. Balasooriya

Coach – Mr. S.K.M. Azane

Regular practices took place.However we could not play any matches due to the bad condition of the Court.

Cadet Platoon

Cadet-in-Charge:Mr.M.M.S.Mazeen

Sergeant:Mas. U.H.R. Vikash

I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Shake Mazeen for re-organizing the cadet platoon at our College from September 2018. Our Congratulations to the cadets for their achievements in this short period of time.

It provides the boys an opportunity to develop in the areas of discipline, honor, trust, obedience, dependability, punctuality, to be well mannered and, protect & to respect all beings and environment. They also learn how to be attired appropriately on duty at events, at sports & leisure, how important is health hygiene, house keeping & neatness and also very specially the proper use of cutlery at meals and table manners and so much more.

Cubbing

Teachers in charge-Miss P.L. Mirando /Mrs. R. Sivadarshani

The cubbing moment of the College continued to function and has gathered interest among primary school students with sessions held every Tuesday after school. At present there are 35 students who actively take part in activities and games centered around the cubbing moment. After grade 5 these students are automatically enrolled into the scouting moment.

Scouting

District Scouting leader -Mr.M.M.Mahanama Bandara

Masters in charge: Mr.M.R.Shibly Ahamed

We are happy to note that scouting has been reorganized under the guidance of the District Commissioner Mr. Thilak Jayasiri and Mr. Mahanama. There are over 165 members and regularly meet for their programmes such as walks, hikes, educational trips and voluntary service to the community.

Chess

Masters in charge: Mr.S. Sivanujan(Jnr)/Mr.A. Amsakumar(Snr)

Chess training programmes are conducted every Wednesdays after school hours. Two officers from chess federation voluntarily train our children and prepare them to take part in various tournaments in the near future.

Significant Events During the Year 2018

10 th January	Installation and induction of Ven.S.P.Nesakumar at 10.00 a.m As the 15 th Headmaster of the College
13 th January	The Quentin Israel Junoir Rugby Carnival 2018
26 th January 2018	Road Race
22 nd February	Inter House Sports Meet -Chief Guest – Mr. Ranjith Gunasekara
23 rd -25 th February	STCG OBA Reunion Weekend and 59 th AGM & Formal Dinner
2 nd March	Joint Prefects Day and staff get together with STC Bandarawela & STC Guru
10 th March	Uva Thomian Cricket Encounter 2018 at STC Guru
22 nd March	Middle & Upper PTA Meeting
23 rd March	Lower School PTA Meeting

12 th May	76 th Anniversary of the College-Chapel Service
7 th June	Lower School PTA Meeting
14 th June	English Day-Middle & Upper School
21 st June	English Day-Lower School
7 th July	Annual Prize Giving
26 th September	Middle & Upper PTA Meeting
27 th September	Lower School PTA Meeting
1 st October	Universal Children day
04 th October	Paternal Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.73 rd Dedication of the College Chapel
05 th October	Teacher's day
10 th October	Vani Vizla
08 th November	Commencing of the Pre O/L Examination
20 th November	Formal Dinner (O/L Students)
21 st November	End of pre O/L Examination and Valedictory Service
07 th December	Annual Carol Service 6.00 p.m and Boarders Night

Our Needs

- 1.Ceiling for two hostel dormitories
2. Additional washrooms for the hostel and upper school
- 3.New staff room with good facilities for primary and upper school.
- 4.Additional classrooms for primary and middle school(three each)
- 5.Carpeting the Basketball and Badminton court.
- 6.Western music rooms for primary and upper school.

Headmasters Comments

Many parents focus attention on their children's grades and extra curricular activities, such as by making sure kids study, do their homework, and get to soccer practice or music lessons prepared and on time. But very often, we forget to put time and effort into nurturing another component of child success and development—one that is just as important, and perhaps even more essential, than good grades, awards, and trophies—being a good person.

If we want to raise children who are pleasant and genuine nice people, we can help guide our kids toward habits and behaviors that promote positive character traits like kindness, generosity, and empathy for those who are less advantaged or who need help.

As C.S. Lewis famously said, "Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching." How can we raise a Good child, one who will do the right thing, even when no one may see them do it, and when there may be no reward? While there is no guaranteed formula, here are some ways parents and adults can build good character and help their child grow into a good person.

Consider your own way of speaking, acting, and even thinking, and try to choose a friendly and polite tone and manner with your child, even when you are talking to him about a mistake or misbehavior. As soon as you see behavioral problems handle them with love, understanding, and firmness. Teach him how to be thankful, teaching your child how to be grateful and how to express that gratitude is a key component of raising a good child. If you want to raise a good child, conduct yourself in the way you want your child to act.

Acknowledgement

Whatever has been possible over the year has been due to the hard work and dedication of so many. My thanks are due to them for all that they have contributed over the past years through their efforts, financial contributions and other acts of solidarity and support.

Once again I wish to place on record for our Lord Bishop-Rt.Revd Dhiloraj Canagasabay, the Chairman of the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors for their wise counsel and sympathetic understanding of our needs.

Specially our Manager Mr. Senaka de Fonseka, for his interest and concern in the affairs of the College. Senior Vice President of our OBA – Mr. Bandula Vithanage, the members of OBA EXCO, the STC-Mt OBA, branches abroad, specially the OBAs of Canada, Australia, New York, UK and other old boys who have rallied round us.

The Warden and Sub Warden of our parent School at Mount Lavinia and the Headmasters of our brother schools at Kollupitiya and Bandarawela.

The Director Private Schools and the Provincial , Zonal and Divisional Directors of Education, for their guidance and support in the implementation of the curriculum.

The Sectional Heads-Mr V. W. Dikkumbura , Mr. A. Amsakumar and Rev. Charles David , the academic staff of the three sections who have been a very hard-working team ensuring academic standards.

The Accountant Mr. Nishada Wijeratne and the staff of the Accounts Department, the staff of the Secretary's Office.

The House Master Messrs Mr. Peter Colin, Mr. S.Kamalathithan, A. Sivaprasath and Mrs.R.K.N. Chaturani the Senior Boarding House Master –Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura and the Hostel masters,

The sports Coordinator Mr.Shake Mazeen and the Master in Charge for the Games and the respective coaches.

The Works Supervisor Mr. M. Maheer, the Food Warden Mr. A.U. Kodagoda, Manager of the College Stores Mr. Premadasa and the College Farm Supervisors Mr. K.M.C. Jayanath and Mr.Upali Rathnayaka, all members of the College Support

Staff for their hard work to keep the environment clean.

College Security personnels for their dedicated work,

The College prefects for their spontaneous help in the activities of the College.

And to you ladies and gentlemen for being patient listeners.

Finally, I thank and praise the Almighty God who guided us for the past 77 years ,and pray that He continues to lay His hands abundantly upon this Institution to bless, and protect and guide us into the future.

Thank You.

ESTO PERPETUA

Ven. S.P. Nesakumar
Headmaster

OUR BENEFACTOR

Leslie de Saram (1877 – 1961)

Leslie William Frederick de Saram, was educated at Royal College, Colombo. Having studied to be a Lawyer in the United Kingdom he succeeded his father as head of the prestigious law firm M/s F. J. & G. de Saram in 1918. In February 1942 when the State Council decided to close all schools in Colombo due to the threat of Japanese air raids and the premises of S. Thomas' College Mount Lavinia were requisitioned by the military authorities, Leslie de Saram anonymously donated his 35 acre Farm at Gurutalawa to the School – an act that the Warden Canon R. S. de Saram described as 'providential'. The one and only condition attached to the donation was that Farm facilities available should be used to educate children in agriculture.

To remember this generous act a House is named after Leslie de Saram (De Saram House) and Agriculture continues to be taught from the Lower IVth to Upper VIth.

“Leslie de Saram's generous gift of Gurutalawa Farm in April 1942 gave S. Thomas' College a Branch with a distinctive ethos characterised by a spartan outlook, a proclivity for outdoor life, a reverence for nature and the unselfish values engendered by communal living in a rural environment.” [Summarised from an article by Nihal H Guneratne]

In 2014 we honoured the memory of Leslie de Saram by awarding for the first time 'The Leslie de Saram Memorial Prize for Outstanding Achievement' presented by Mr Lakshman Jayatileke. It is hoped that the recipients of this prize over the years to come will display the same generous spirit of philanthropy that was shown by the man whose memory we seek to honour.

**PRIZE LIST 2018
THE LOWER SCHOOL
GRADE ONE (KINDERGARTEN)**

Prizes for General Proficiency

1. A.S Fathima Samha
2. M.J.A.C.S . Jayasinghe
3. M.D.S . Sadanjaya
4. P.D.S.S . Pathirana
5. M.F. Noora
6. D.N.S.P. Serasinghe
7. R.K.V.C. Ramanayaka
8. H.M.O.S. Hearth
9. H.G.R .Thanuwara
10. K.D.D. De Silva
11. P. Sabishan
12. M.I.M Yoosuf
13. W.M.C.M. Amarasekera
14. S. Nadeeshan
15. S.L. Rubasinghe

Grade Two (Form I)

Prizes for General Proficiency

1. V. Thivedha
2. A.B. Hirth
3. S.N. Withanachchi
4. M.R. Ruzni Ahamed
5. S.P.B.M. Pathirana
6. W.M.O.A. Jayasinghe
7. S.M.D.G. Vidwath
8. E.M.S.T.B. Ekanayaka
9. A.F.A. Perera
10. M.A.M. Amhar
11. S.D. Hewage
12. S.D. Rajapakshe
13. M.A. Ammar
14. K.H.S. Liyanage
15. A.G.T.L.B. Ekanayaka

Grade Three (Form II)

Prizes for General Proficiency

1. B.G.K.M.S. Ekanayaka
2. C.A.D.Roshan
3. M.F. Farha
4. W.P.C.H. Wijesinghe
5. V.H. Traveen
6. M.G.G.I. Mudannayaka
7. P.C. Jeba Joyshan
8. N.M.M. Imaadh
9. K.Y. Nidarshana
10. M.A.M. Farhan
11. M.J. Thambawita
12. M.I.M. Ifaaz
13. W.M.O.Y. Amerasekara
14. A.A. Athib Ahamed
15. R.H. Mirunalan

GRADE FOUR (LOWER III)

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| M.K. Sangeshini | - Hinduism
Tamil Language (Joint winner)
Handwork
Dance (Tamil)
Singing (Tamil) |
| T. Milakshini | - English Language (Joint winner)
Tamil Language (Joint winner)
Link Language (Sinhala) |
| V.M. Samarasinghe | - Handwork
Dance (Sinhala medium)
Link Language (Tamil)
Sinhala Language |
| F.N. Azmil | - Buddhism
Mathematics' (Sinhala medium) |
| M.M.M. Zahireen | - Islam (Tamil medium)
English Language (Joint winner) |
| R.M.P. Nethsara | - Mathematics' (B/L)
- Link Language (Sinhala) Joint winner |
| K.M. Joseph | - Divinity (Sinhala Medium) |
| R.M.Y.K. Rajapaksha | - ENV (Sinhala medium) |

K.M.L. Nadeeja	- ENV (B/L)
K.M.L. Chamuditha	- Singing (Sinhala)
N.A.A.P. Gimhana	- Art (B/L)
P.N.H. Bandara	- Art (Sinhala)
M.R.Nehal Rahil	- Islam (Sinhala Medium)
FORM PRIZE	- T. Milakshini (Bilingual Medium) - V.M Samarasinghe (Sinhala Medium)

GRADE FIVE (UPPER III)

R.A. Jayakody	- Mathematics (B/L) ENV (B/L) Singing (Sinhala Medium)
T.N. Mahalaksha	- Buddhism Sinhala Language Dance (Sinhala)
S.N. Samarasekara	- Mathematics (Sinhala) ENV (Sinhala)
V. Thanishan	- Tamil Language Dance (Tamil) Singing (Tamil) Hinduism
W.A. Adithya	- Art (Sinhala medium)
L.T.K. Perera	- Handwork
J.A.S. Fernando	- Divinity (Sinhala medium)
A.N. Najath Ahamed	- Islam
J.A. Misbah Ul Haq	- Link Language (Sinhala)
M. Nithish	- Link Language (Tamil) Dancing (Tamil Medium)
FORM PRIZE	- T.N Mahalaksha (Sinhala Medium) R.A Jayakody (Bilingual)

Special Prizes

Singing

- Grade 1 - M.I.M. Akeef
D.A.G. Dissanayake
- Grade 2 - M.F. Noora
H.M.N.A. Bandara.
- Grade 3 - I.M . Fathahi
A.B. Hirth
- Grade 4 - P. Jeba Joysan
V.H. Traveen
- Grade 5 - T. Milakshini
K.M.L. Chamuditha

Dancing

- Grade 1 - Shalisha T. Subani
H.M.M. Vidara
- Grade 2 - A.S. FathimaSamha
W.M.T.R. Wijesundara
- Grade 3 - V. Thivetha
A.B. Hirth
- Grade 4 - R.H. Mirunalan
B.G.K.M.S. Ekanayaka
- Grade 5 - M.K. Sangeshini
V.M. Samarasinghe

Art

- Grade 1 - A.G.T.L.B. Ekanayake
- Grade 2 - M.D.S. Sadanjaya
- Grade 3 - A.B. Hirth
- Grade 4 - V.H. Traveen
- Grade 5 - A.G.P. De Silva

Handwork

- Grade 1 - O.L. Dambagharawa
- Grade 2 - P.D.S.S. Pathirana

- Grade 3 - A.B. Hirth
- Grade 4 - M.J. Thambawita
- Grade 5 - V.M. Samarasinghe (Joint Winner)
R.M.Y.K. Rajapaksha (Joint Winner)

**The Headmaster's Prize for the Best All round Student in the Lower School
S N Samarasekera**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADE SIX (LOWER IV)**

- W.D.K. Fernando - Divinity
- A.K.Tiron Hasan - Divinity
Science
Health &Phy.Education
- W.P.I.S.Wijesinghe - Buddhism
Geography
LCCE
Art
PTS
- M.A.M. Amazh - Islam
- M.I. Ammar - Islam
Geography
LCCE
Health &Phy.Education
PTS
- P.D.J.B. Wickramasinghe- Sinhala
English Language
Maths
Geography
Dancing
- M.I.M. Atheef - Tamil Language
Mathematics
Science
- R.H.M.J.L. Hathagoda - Mathematics

M.R.M. Ransath - Science
Health &phy.Education

W.M.N. Bashana - History

M.H.M. Shaad - History
A.C.M. Manaz - Art

J.S.L. Dilnuka - Music

S.M. Ubaith - Link Language(Tamil)

M.R.M. Shamil - Link Language (Sinhala)

Form Prize - W.P.I.S.Wijesinghe
A.K.TironHasan

GRADE 7 (UPPER IV)

H.G.G. Shanan - Divinity
Art

W.K.L. Laksitha - Divinity
Tamil Language
Mathematics
Science
LCCE
Health &Phy.Education
PTS

A.A.B.H. Abayasinghe - Buddhism

K. Harisriwardhan - Saivaneri

M.R.M. Ahmed - Islam
- Link Language (Tamil)

M.I. Inshaf - Islam
Link Language (Sinhala)

A. Jebesh Johnson - English Language

		Mathematics LCC Art
A.M.D. Premanjana	-	Sinhala Language Mathematics Geography
J.J.P. Pahan Pramoth	-	Science Health &Phy.Education
H.M.S.T. Pathmasiri	-	Science Health &Phy.Education
M.N.M. Fawmi	-	Geography
K.M.K.N. Konara	-	LCCE
M.H.Thambawita	-	Dancing
E.D.M. Henricus	-	PTS
Form Prize	-	A.M.D. Premanjana W.K.L. Lakshitha

GRADE EIGHT (FORM V)

S.W.A.S. Silva	-	Divinity
R. Sheron	-	Divinity
T.D.N.B. Dikkumbura	-	Buddhism History
K.K.C.T. Rathnajeewa	-	Buddhism Mathematics
T. Vidushan	-	Saivaneri Mathematics Science History LCCE

		Health &Phy.Education
S.M.M. Shaheed Khan -		Islam English Language Mathematics Science Geography LCCE Art Health &Phy.Education
M.A.M. Akzhan -		Islam Sinhala Language
M.F.M. Fawad -		Islam - Art - Link Language (Sinhala)
B. Hiroshan -		Tamil Language Geography PTS
R.N. Milanka -		Mathematics Science PTS
K.M.I.R. Sugathapala -		Geography - Music - Health &Phy.Education
T.D. Hewage -		LCCE
S.A.U. Subasinghe -		Dancing
S. Greshan -		Link Language (Tamil)
Form Prize -		S.M.M. Shaheed Khan M.F.M. Fawad

Special Prizes

The Prize for the Best All round student in the Middle school

(Presented by the Old Thomian Association of the UK)- **S.M.M. Shaheed Khan**

UPPER SCHOOL
GRADE NINE (LOWER VI)

H.K. Darmasiri	-	Buddhism Sinhala Language P.T.S History Geography Science Dancing Health &Phy.Education L.C.C.Education
R.G. Praveen Thusara		Divinity Health &Phy.Education Science Geography Link Language
M.F. Inshaf Ahamed		Mathematics History Geography P.T.S L.C.C.Education Tamil Language Islam Art
Y. Prabaraj		Hinduism
M.R.M. Raafath		Islam Health &Phy.Education Link Language Science
H.A.S. Hettiarachchi		Mathematics Science Music
R.S. Sayakkara		Art Geography

T.D. Abeydeera Mathematics
 English Language

J. Srikanth Link Language

T.M.C.H. Thennakoon L.C.C.Education

Form Prize - H.K .Darmasiri
 M.F. Inshaf Ahamed

GRADE TEN (MIDDLE VI)

K.P.O. Nimesh - Buddhism
 Art

M.F.M. Amry - Islam
 Link Language
 History

M. Hemeshkhan - Hinduism
 Mathematics
 Science
 Tamil Language
 Agriculture
 Art
 Business Studies

K.A.LY.B.M. Koddipiliarachchi- Dancing
 Mathematics

K.W.P. Kalpana Sinhala language

A.J.R. Palihakkara - Music
 ICT
 History
 Geography

N.M.M.B. Nawarathne Mathematics
 English Lit.
 Science

K.B.N. Nemsith		Business Studies
J.P.S.B.J.L. Wimod		ICT Business Studies
D.N. Senanayake		English Language Science
M.F.M. Azran		Link Language
M. Agash Sachin		Health &Phy.Education
G.H.B.D. Silva		Health &Phy.Education
Form Prize	-	D.N. Senanayake M. Hemeshkhan

GRADE ELEVEN (UPPER VI)

S.M.C.N. Siriwardana	-	Buddhism Science
M.R.M. Dilshard	-	Islam History
B.C.K.A. Bandara	-	Sinhala Language Mathematics Agriculture
R. Yugeswar	-	English Language Business Studies ICT
R.H.M. Rukshan	-	Mathematics
Y. Dilrukshan	-	Dancing Business Studies

J.M.S.C. Jayasinghe	-	Art
W.W.M.L. Chandira	-	ICT
M.H.M. Arham	-	Art
M.D.B.M. Jayawardana	-	Music
R.K.N.H. Ramanayake	-	Health &Phy.Education
A.M.I. Udara	-	Geography
S.M. Rifkhan	-	Tamil Language
M.H.M. Ifzaal	-	Link Language
Form Prize	-	B.C.K.A.Bandara R.Yugeswar

All Island Music Competition 2018

Group Song (Folk Wannam) 1st place

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| 1. K.M.I.R. Sugathapala | 12. H.T.D. Fernando |
| 2. M.D.B.M. Jayawardana | 13. A.J.R. Palihakkara |
| 3. L.D.D. Shavinda | 14. J.P.S.B.J.L. Wimod |
| 4. Y. Dilrukshan | 15. D.V.M. Nadeesha |
| 5. M.A. Ashik | 16. R.C. Abeykoon |
| 6. A.L.G.P.N. Karunarathne | 17. P.H.S. Hansana |
| 7. S.S.Weerasinghe | 18. W.V. Dilsara |
| 8. T.T. Wickramarachchi | 19. T.D. Abeydeera |
| 9. U.B.S.M .Fernando | 20. S.M.M. Shaheed Khan |
| 10. K.V.J. Chanuka | 21. R.M. Gamage |
| 11. M.K.A. Mendis | 22. K.G.M.C. Bandara |

Harmonium (solo)

All Island-2nd Place:

Master.K.M.I.R. Sugathapala

SPECIAL PRIZES

The Chapel Prize

[Presented to the Senior Sacristan]

-U.A.Y.M.S.J. Udawatta

The Dr. & Mrs I. G. Gunawardene Prize for Divinity

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

- K.S.R. Fernando

The M. B. N. W. Gawarammana Prize for Buddhism

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

- H.D.S. Perera

Sukunda Sudanthri Memorial Prize for Hinduism

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

- M. Hemeshkkan

The Shakir H. Marikkar Memorial Prize for Islam

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

- M.I.Ahamed Razmi

The Cyril Perera Memorial Prize for Excellence in English

[Presented by the Members of his Family]

Senior

- S.S.A. Marikkar

Junior

- M.R.M. Shamil

The Perpetual Prize for Mathematics in Memory of Headmaster E. L. Perera

[Presented by the Members of his family]

- D. Senanayake

- D.N. Senanayake

-M. Agash Sachin

The Mr.L.A.M.Chandrasekera Memorial prize for the Best IT Student

[Presented by the Members of his family]

-N.M.P.S. Nawarathne

The Wijewardene Science Prize

-B.U.O.E. Amarathunga

- M. Agash Sachin

- N.M.P.S. Nawarathne

The Mr. A. K. Chapman Scholarship Award for Science
[Presented by Mrs Betty Chapman and Members of the Family]

Senior - **M. Hemeshkhan**
Junior - **J.J. Pahan Pramoth**

The D. W. Sooriyarachchi Memorial Prize for Agriculture - **S.K.R.D. Fernando**
M. Hemeshkhan

The David Paynter Memorial Prize for Best Artist - **M.I.A .Razmi(S/M)**
M. Hemeshkhan(T/M)

The Prize for Best Oriental Musician - **A.J.R. Palihakkara**

The Prize for Best Oriental Dancer -**K.W.P. Kalpana**

The English Essay Prize **Senior** **D.N. Senanayake**
Junior **S. Shalom Joseph**

The Sinhala Essay Prize **Senior** **A.J.R. Palihakkara**
Junior **J.T.B. Jayasundara**

The Tamil Essay Prize **Senior** **M. Hemeshkhan**
Junior **W.K.L. Lakshitha**

The English Oratory Prize **Senior** **S.M.M. Shaheed Khan**
Junior **M.R.N. Ahamed**

The Sinhala Oratory Prize **Senior** **K.W.P. Kalpana**
Junior **M.A.L. Aknila**

The Tamil Oratory Prize **Senior** **M. Agash Sachin**
Junior **V. Hiroshan**

Special Sports Awards for the Year 2018

Athletics	Senior	M.F.M. Azran
	Junior	E.W.M.E.G.K. Madugalla
	Primary	M.R.M. Rashath
Badminton	Senior	R.K.N.H. Ramanayake
	Junior	G.M.B. Perera
Rugby	Senior	K.A.M. Sandeepa
	Junior	L.N.N.K. Rajapaksha
	Primary	M.N.B. Perera
Cricket	Senior	A.K.A. Shakeef
	Junior	K.M.I.R. Sugathapala
	Primary	T.D.N.B. Dikkumbura K.R. Samaraweera
Swimming	Senior	A.J.R. Palihakkara
	Junior	R.M. Gamage
Football	Senior	M.F.M. Azran
	Junior	A.N.M. Nasmi
	Primary	M.I. Ammar
Squash	Senior	J.M.S.C. Jayasinghe
	Junior	K.R. Samaraweera
Hockey	Senior	U.H.R. Vikash
	Junior	S.M.M. Shaheed Khan
Horse Riding	Best Rider	L.B.C. Weerasinghe
	Best Groomer	R.M.Y.G. Rathnayake

Participated show jumping competition at Diyatalawa

Mr.K.M.C. Jayanath(Horse Riding Instructor)

Master A.J.R. Palihakkara

Master M.D.D.T .Prabath

Best Western Bandsman

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M.K.A. Mendis

The most outstanding Cricketer - **R.K.N.H. Ramanayake**

The most outstanding Squash player- **P.M. Darshika**

The Gamini Dissanayake Memorial Challenge Trophy for the Cricketer of the Year
Presented by Mr. S. Perera]

M. Agash Sachin

The Ralston Tissera Memorial Prize for the Most Outstanding Ruggerite
[Presented by his brothers]

R.K.N.H. Ramanayake

Upcoming Cricketer of the School 2018/2019 **L.D.D. Shaminda**

Best Cadet of the year 2018/2019 **Sergeant U.H.R. Vikash**
[Presented by Mr.A.H.M. Razeek]

The D. A. Seneviratne Memorial Challenge Cup for the Champion House at the
Inter-House Athletics Meet 2018

De Saram House

The Canon R. S. De Saram Memorial Challenge Shield for the Champion House at
the Inter-House Rugby Football Tournament 2018

Hayman House

The Champion House at the Inter House Volleyball Tournament 2018-
N/A

The A.C.M. Laffir Memorial Challenge Cup for the Champion House at the Inter
House Hockey Tournament Junior 2018 - **Hayman House**

The Bahar Memorial Shield for the Champion House at the Inter-House Cricket
Tournament 2018 - **Garnier House**

The Dr R. L. Hayman Memorial Challenge Shield for the Champion House at the
Inter-House Swimming Meet- **Hayman House**

The Champion House at the Inter House Football Tournament 2018-
N/A

The D. A. Seneviratne Memorial Challenge Shield for the House with the Best Scholastic Achievement [*Presented by Mrs. D. A. Seneviratne*]

Garnier House

The W. A. Ratwatte Memorial Challenge Shield for the Best All Round House [*Presented by Mr A. T.Ratwatte*]

Hayman House

The Headmaster M. L. C. Illangakoon Memorial Prize for the Best Performance at the Grade Five Scholarship Examination 2018

[*Presented by the Headmaster*]

T.N. Mahalaksha

The Canon A. J. Foster Memorial Scholarship Prize

[*Presented by the STCG OBA*]

K.A.L.Y. Kodippiliarachchi

The Dr. R. L. & Mary Hayman Memorial Scholarship Prize

[*Presented by the STCG OBA*]

M. Hemeshkhan

The Cyril Perera Memorial Prize for the Best Scholar in the Middle VI th Form 2018 [*Presented by his Family Members*]

A.J.R. Palihakkara

The Headmaster's Award of the Willie Jayatilleke Memorial Scholarship Prize for the Best All Round Student in the Middle VI Form

[*Presented by Members of the Jayatilleke Family*)] **A.J.R. Palihakkara**

The Ronnie Weerakoon Memorial Challenge Shield for the Most Outstanding Student in Sports 2018

[*Presented by Members and Friends of the Weerakoon Family*]

R.K.N.H .Ramanayake

The R. G. W. Nilaweera Memorial Prize for the Scholar obtaining the Best Results at the G. C. E. Ordinary Level Examination 2018

[*Presented by Members of the Family*]

B.C.K.A. Bandara

Canon A.J. Foster Memorial Prize for Best results at the G.C.E O/L examination 2018

[*Presented by Mr. S.K. Wickramasinghe*]

B.C.K.A. Bandara

The Dr. R. L. Hayman Memorial Trophy for the Best All Round Student of the School – 2018

B.C.K.A. Bandara

The Leslie de Saram Memorial Prize for the Most Outstanding Achievement of the year [*presented by Mr.LakshmanJayathilake*] for having passes at the G.C.E. Ordinary Level Examination 2018

B.C.K.A. Bandara

THE COLLEGE SONG

Thomians young and Thomians old,
Thomians staunch and true!
Rally round the College Flag,
The Blue, the Black and Blue
To your Alma Mater sing,
Thomians near and far
Loudly let the echoes ring,
For all we have and are.

Esto Perpetua

Esto Perpetua

Esto Perpetua

The Blue, Black and Blue forever!

In the field of intellect
Many a prize we've won,
And upon the field of sport
Thomians yield to none.
Be it work, or be it play,
We will do and dare.
To the College therefore sing
For all we have and are.

Chorus

*The Lyrics were written by Edmund de Livera, an old boy of Royal College in 1916
and the melody was composed by Warden W. A. Stone*

H7; IAK` j`w6k g7y

H7; IAK` m`w`

ap H7; IAK`, n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 m`w`
s\l1qr s6r6br6n7, s\,[7 aw6 2s`1bm`n IAK`
z`n8 zny 2nk ml1 plw=r3 p6r6 jy x+Zy rm8`
apht s3p s6r6 2sw sqn` j7vn2y1 m`w`
p6L6gn\ m3n ap xk1w7 plj`
n2m`1 n2m`1 m`w`
ap H7; IAK`, n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 m`w`

ob 2V ap Cq8` - ob m y ap sw8`
ob 2V ap Hk1w6 - ap hq w=L xk1w7
ob ap a`2l`12k1 - ap2g1 an\p;`2N1
ob ap j7vn 2V - ap m\k1w6y ob 2V
nv j7vn 2qZ2n1 n6w6n ap p\b\q\ krn1 m`w`
F`n :Ry vdvZn ,2gn yn\ m3n jy x+Z kr`
ek mvk2g qr3 k3l b3Cn`
ym\ ym\ : 2n`pm`
2p1;m vd` s3m 2x1q q\,r q` n2m`1 n2m`1 m`w`
ap H7; IAK`, n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 n2m`1 m`w`

ஸ்ரீ லங்கா தாயே - நம் ஸ்ரீ லங்கா
நமோ நமோ நமோ நமோ தாயே

நல்லெழில் பொலி சீரணி
நலங்கள் யாவும் நிறை வான்மணி லங்கா
ஞாலம் புகழ் வள வயல் நதி மலை மலர்
நறுஞ்சோலை கொள் லங்கா
நமதுறு புகலிடம் என ஒளிர்வாய்
நமதுதி ஏல் தாயே
நமதலை நினதடி மேல் வைத்தோமே
நமதுயிரே தாயே - நம் ஸ்ரீ லங்கா
நமோ நமோ நமோ நமோ தாயே

நமதாரருள் ஆனாய்
நவை தவிர் உணர்வானாய்
நமதோர் வலியானாய்
நவில் சுதந்திரம் ஆனாய்
நமதிளமையை நாட்டே
நகு மடி தனையோட்டே
அமைவுறும் அறிவுடனே
அடல்செறி துணிவருளே - நம் ஸ்ரீ லங்கா
நமோ நமோ நமோ நமோ தாயே

நமதோர் ஒளி வளமே
நறிய மலர் என நிலவும் தாயே
யாமெல்லாம் ஒரு கருணை அனைபயந்த
எழில்கொள் சேய்கள் எனவே
இயலுறு பிளவுகள் தமை அறவே
இழிவென நீக்கிடுவோம்
ஈழ சிரோமணி வாழ்வுறு பூமணி
நமோ நமோ தாயே - நம் ஸ்ரீ லங்கா
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