

PROGRAMME

Welcoming of the Chief Guest

Hymn for Sri Lanka

Prayer - Mr. S.S. Kumarasinghe

Presentation of the Report - The Headmaster

Address by the Chief Guest - Professor Mohan de Silva

Dance Item - By Primary Students

Distribution of Prizes - Professor Mohan de Silva

Song by Upper School - "By the Rivers of Babylon"

Distribution of Prizes - Middle School

Musical Item - Winners of All Island Music Competition 2018

Distribution of Prizes - Upper School and Special Prizes

Vote of Thanks

Proposer: - Mr. Bandula Vithanage, Senior Vice President of the STCG OBA

Seconder: - Master M.I.M. Ifzaal, College Prefect

College Song

National Anthem

PRAYER

We give Thee humble and hearty thanks, O most Merciful Father for the memory and good example of James Chapman, first Bishop of Colombo, our Founder and for all our Governors and Benefactors, especially Dr R. L. Hayman, our first Headmaster, by whose benefit this whole College is brought up to godliness and good learning. We beseech Thee to give us grace to use these blessings to the glory of thy Holy Name, that we may answer the good intent of our religious Founder, and become profitable members of the Church and Nation, and at last be partakers of the immortal glory of the Resurrection through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

THE HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Our Chief Guest, Professor Mohan de Silva, Rev. Fathers, Members of the Board of Governors, Our Manager Mr. Senaka de Fonseka , Distinguished Guests, Loyal Old Boys, Parents, Well Wishers, Members of the Tutorial, Administrative and Support Staff and my dear Students.

We take great pleasure in extending to you all a very warm and cordial welcome to our Annual Prize Giving. Prize day gatherings are an indication of the goodwill and regard, parents, old boys, and well-wishers have for the School. We are indeed gladdened and encouraged by your presence this morning.

S Thomas' College at Gurutalawa considers it both a privilege and an honour to welcome Professor Mohan de Silva this morning as our Chief Guest, at the Annual Prize Giving 2018, which is the most important event in the academic calendar. We are deeply indebted to you for having found time to grace this occasion.

Professor de Silva is an eminent product of S. Thomas' College, Gurutalawa. He was born on 8th August 1953. He joined S.Thomas' College Gurutalawa in 1964 and left in 1967. His wife Dr. Mrs. Dhammika Godagama is a retired Anaesthetist. He is blessed with three daughters, two are Doctors and the other is a Consultant.

Professor de Silva is the Chairman of the University Grants Commission. In 2018 he was appointed a Member representing the Sri Lankan government for the United States – Sri Lanka Full Bright Commission. Since 2015 he has been a Member of the National Human Resource Development Council, National Education Commission (NEC) and Governing Council South Asian University in New Delhi. He was the Senior Professor of Surgery and Chair in Surgery in the Faculty of Medical Sciences - University of Sri Jayawardenepura-Colombo, Honorary Consultant Surgeon - Colombo South Teaching Hospital, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Honorary member of the Asia-Pacific Society of Digestive Endoscopy and temporary Advisor to WHO– South East Asian Regional Office on Patient Safety.

He was the Dean - Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of Sri Jayawardenepura from 2011 – 2014 and Vice President of the Sri Lanka Medical Association in 2009.

He conducted final MRCS Surgery Edinburgh Examination for candidates in the regional countries. Represented the Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of Sri Jayawardenepura and Sri Lanka in many international forums as an invited International Resource Person. Published a Text Book in Surgery in UK for international circulation. He was invited to write a chapter in one of the most sought-after Surgical Text books in the world as the first Sri Lankan to do so.

In sports, Professor de Silva was the Cricket Captain in the University of Colombo in 1977 and Basketball Captain at Nalanda College, Colombo in 1972. He is

competent in music and his songs are recorded at Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation.

He continued to add lustre to his profession in submission of several publications under his name and in the making of specialized presentations, a result of his research and observations.

He is a role model to many an aspiring student, and mirrors the advice given to Sri Lankan students by President Abdul Kalam of India, He Said; “Everybody around-school, College, Society will try to make you just another person. But remain unique – it is a challenge and perhaps the toughest battle to win for which you must have four tools – have a great aim, continuous acquisition of knowledge, hard work and perseverance”. Professor you are witness for this.

We thank you sincerely, for accepting our invitation, and welcome you most warmly to this function.

Rev. Fr. Nihal Fernando Former Headmaster

It has been a great privilege and deep honour to have had Rev. Fr. Nihal Fernando as our Headmaster from 2012 to 2017.

Farewells are neither forever nor are they the end. Although we may be separated by time and distance, nothing will diminish the important role Fr. Nihal played as the Headmaster at Gurutalawa. The service Father Nihal rendered cannot be appreciated in words.

He will be remembered for his guidance, leadership approach, and friendly nature. He has been an inspiration to all the thousands of students who have passed through the hallowed portals of this institution. As a principal he has excelled in his work, but he means so much more to us. He is a father-figure, deeply respected and loved by all of us.

Gurutalawa will always remember Fr. Nihal as one of those few who dedicated everything for the well being of the College and to the Guru Family.

In appreciation of the years of dedicated service to the college, the students, staff and parents held a special Farewell assembly on 19th January 2018 at the Canon A.J. Foster Memorial Hall.

The OBA also gave him a separate Farewell on 3rd February at a leading Hotel in Colombo. This was attended by several hundred old boys.

We Pray that God will keep Father Nihal and his family in the palm of His hand.

75th Anniversary Celebration

The 75th Anniversary of the College was celebrated on a grand scale on 12th and 13th May 2017.

On 12th May a Thanks Giving Service was held in the Chapel followed by a special Anniversary Assembly at the Canon A.J. Foster Memorial Hall. The Chief Guest was His Lordship the Bishop of Colombo, Rt. Revd. Dhiloray Canagasabay. It was attended by many clergy, Headmasters of our brother schools, special invitees, and members of the Board of Governors, distinguished old boys, well wishers, parents and students. The Bishop and the Warden of S. Thomas' College Mount Lavinia gave extremely inspiring speeches about the history of S. Thomas' College. The students entertained the audience with several cultural items in all three languages.

On 13th May 2017, a special 75th Anniversary Walk was held by all students, staff, parents and old boys of the College. To remember the STC Mount Lavinia students and teachers who walked from the Haputale Railway Station to Gurutalawa in 1942, current senior students and a number of old boys walked from Haputale to Gurutalawa. All the other students and staff joined this party at Boralanda and continued on to the College. It was one of the most memorable events of the year.

The Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi

Chaplaincy Team: The Headmaster

Master-in-Charge Mr. Sanath Kumarasinghe

Senior Sacristan in 2017: Master S.D.D. Ratnayake

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 too participate. The 75th anniversary was celebrated on the 12th of May 2017, the service was officiated by our Bishop Rt. Revd. Dhiloraj R. Canagasabay. On the 4th of October 2017 we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and the Headmaster was the celebrant and preacher.

The numbers in the School as at 31st December 2017 were:

Lower School	252
Middle School	214
Upper School	<u>162</u>
Total	628

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

Examination Results and Work

57 students were presented for the G.C.E. O/L Examination 2017 of which 88% qualified to follow Advanced Level courses. Best results were obtained by A.H.A. Naweed with 5 A's, 1 B and 3 C passes and P.V. Jayawickrama with 4 A's, 2 B's, 2 C's and 1 S pass .

56 students were presented for the Grade 5 Scholarship Examination in 2017 and one student obtained 166 marks.

S. Thoma's College, Gurutalawa

General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination, December - 2017 Results Analysis

No	Subject	Subject No	Medium	No Sat	A	B	C	S	W	No Pass	%	
01	Religion	Buddhism	11	Sinhala	37	04	10	13	08	02	35	96%
		Divinity	15	Sinhala	05	-	01	03	-	01	04	80%
				Tamil	02	-	-	02	-	-	02	100%
		Islam	16	Sinhala	04	-	-	03	01	-	04	100%
				Tamil	07	01	02	01	02	01	06	85%
Saivanery	12	Tamil	03	-	-	-	01	02	01	33%		
02	1 st Language	Sinhala Language	21	Sinhala	47	09	15	15	06	02	45	96%
		Tamil Language	22	Tamil	12	01	04	02	04	01	11	92%
03	International Language	31	English	59	10	14	20	13	02	57	97%	
04	Science	34	Sinhala	36	01	02	14	16	03	33	92%	
			Tamil	07	-	-	01	02	04	03	43%	
			English	16	-	01	05	09	01	15	94%	
05	Mathematics	32	Sinhala	36	01	03	20	10	02	34	94%	
			Tamil	07	01	01	01	03	01	06	86%	
			English	16	-	04	02	06	04	12	75%	
06	History	33	Sinhala	47	01	13	19	13	01	46	98%	
			Tamil	12	01	01	02	07	01	11	92%	
07	Option I	Business Studies	60	Sinhala	21	-	01	07	13	-	21	100%
				Tamil	07	-	-	02	02	03	04	57%
				English	13	-	-	02	10	01	12	92%
		Geography	61	Sinhala	15	-	03	10	01	01	14	93%
English	03			-	01	01	01	-	03	100%		
08	Option II	Art	43	Sinhala	22	04	05	10	03	-	22	100%
				Tamil	07	01	03	02	01	-	07	100%
		Music	40	Sinhala	10	02	05	03	-	-	10	100%
		Dancing	44	Sinhala	05	-	-	01	04	-	05	100%
English Lit	46	English	15	-	-	-	06	09	06	40%		
09	Option III	Agriculture	81	Sinhala	11	02	03	04	01	01	10	91%
				Tamil	09	01	02	04	04	01	08	89%
		Health	86	Sinhala	17	07	06	03	01	-	17	100%
				Tamil								
		ICT	80	Sinhala	10	05	04	01	-	-	10	100%
				English	12	-	04	06	02	-	12	100%

Staff

Staff numbers as at 31st December 2017 were as follows:

Academic	46
Administrative	20
Support	45

The Academic Staff

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 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.

Staff members who have completed 20 years of service– Mr. W.M. Bandulasena, Mrs. W.A.J. Dharmawardena, Mrs. R.C. Dikkumbura and Mrs. R.M.S. Rajapaksha

The following joined the Tutorial Staff in 2017

Miss J.M.U.A. Jayasiri, Mrs. D.M.D. Dissanayake, Ms. B.H.S.P. Buwanayaka, Miss A.H. Fernando, Mrs. A.H.S.Faika, Mrs. P.A. Nagomy & Mr. J.M.A.S. Weerakoon

The following left the Tutorial Staff in 2017

Mr. N.M.G.U. Nawarathne, Mr. P. Dhayalan, Ms. B.H.S.P. Buwanayaka, Mr. W.M. Dharmapala and Mr. B.M. Sufiyan

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.

Administrative Staff who has completed 20 years of service – Mr. A.R.A. Nayeem

The following joined the Administrative Staff in 2017

Miss A.H.D. Ruwanmalee, Mrs. M.F. Fairweather & Mrs. J.A.M. Perera

The following left the Administrative Staff in 2017

Mr. R.S. Liyanarachchi & Miss D. Abeykoon

The Support Staff

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.

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 endeavours.

The Board of Governors

Chairman (<i>Ex-Officio</i>):	The Rt. Revd the 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, Prabhath Jayasundara, Mrs. Nirmalie Wickremesinghe and Dr.Aritha Wikremanayake

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 2017

Ex Officio President:	The Headmaster Revd. Nihal Fernando
Senior Vice President:	Mr. Krishantha Weerawardane
Vice President:	Mr. S. Rajmohan
Vice President:	Mr. A.H.U. Halpage
Vice President:	Mr. A.V.D. Maddumage
Hony Secretary:	Mr Ruwan Weerasuriya
Hony Treasurer:	Mr. Raj Kandiah
Asst. Treasurer	Mr. Illanko Arunachalam
Asst. Secretary:	Mr. Athula Talagala
Over 50 Years	Mr.Athula Kumaranayake Mr. Gamini Jayasuriya Mr. Palitha Rajapaksha

40 – 50 Years	Mr. Chandana Fernando Mr. M.T. Moorthy Mr. Shiraz Khan
30 – 40 Years	Mr. S. Kaviharana Mr. Mujitha Mayuranath Mr. Leo Sebbastian
Below 30 Years	Mr. Malitha Ekanayake

The STCG OBA continued to support the School in 2017 as in the past.

Special thanks to Mr. Krishantha Weerawardane for his leadership. We also thank all the EXCO Members for all the support in all our needs.

At present they are trying to purchase a bus to the School. We thank them for their tireless efforts to their Alma Mater.

Infra Structure Development

My thanks to Hon. Minister Ravindra Samaraweera for concreting the roadway from Keble section up to the Co-op Shop.

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 4,080,498/- as at 30.9.2017. 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

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

Keble Matron: Miss A.M.D. Abeykoon/Mrs. M.F. Fairweather

Asst. Matron: Miss K. Hindumathy

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 Matron: Mrs J.A.M. Perera

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

Manager : 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

Domus: Mr. R.S. Liyanarachchi

We continued 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 cattle, 03 calves and a stud bull.

The College Shop

The College Shop provides all manner of items that are needed by children in the Boarding School, the Tuck Shop 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 had their films on Saturday afternoon. The film shows are looked forward to very much by the students and helps to break the monotony of the week's daily rhythm of studies and games. The Films were carefully chosen by the staff in charge.

The Library

Librarian : Mr. W.M. Bandulasena

The College Library is functioning well. The Daily Newspapers in all three languages are purchased for the students to develop reading habits. So, there are number of books and magazines in the reference section. There are about 150 members in the Library.

The students have the facility of using the Library till 4.30 p.m.

SOCIETIES & CLUBS

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

Buddhist Students Society

Master- in -Charge: Mr. W. M. Dharmapala & Mr.D. Jayasundara

The members of the Buddhist Society were very active in 2017. Daily meditation was conducted and students were taken to a nearby Buddhist Temple on Poya Days.

Hindu Students Society

Masters- in -Charge: Mr. A. Sivaprasath and Mr. P. Dhayalan

The students meet daily for morning prayers and the Society conducted meditation and other programmes for Hindu students on Hindu Holidays. On special Festival days during the year such as Mahasivarathri, Deepavali the Society organized visits to Kovils in Welimada for religious observances. The students sat for the Vivekananda Hindu Examination in November 2017. Special classes are held for students about Hindu Religion and its philosophy.

Islamic Students Society

Master- in- Charge: Mr. B. M. Sufiyan

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 Nabi Festival in the customary manner.

English Literary Association and Debating Society

Teacher –in-Charge: Mrs. Prabha Karunaratne

Students participated in many English Language Competitions conducted by the Zonal Department of Education. We gained three first places and six second places at the Zonal Level and qualified for the Provincial Level Competitions. After Provincial Level Competitions one student came first in Dictation and was selected

to participate in the National Level and Competitions held in Colombo.

In “Blooming Buds” English Competitions our students won the first places in the category – Compeering and Announcing and Sight-Reading. There were six first places and five second places.

Annual English Day was held on a grand scale where the students performed in the areas of Drama, Speech, Recitation and Singing. It was a collective effort of the teachers of English.

Sinhala Literary Society

Master- in -Charge: Mr. W. M. Dharmapala/ Mr. N.M.E. Lankathilaka

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.

Tamil Literary Society

Master -in- Charge: Mr. P. Dhayalan & Mr. A. Sivaprasath

The Tamil Literary Society continued to meet on a monthly 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.

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, 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

Master-in-Charge Oriental Dancing: Mr W.M.N.G. Wijesekera

Our Aesthetic Section has done well in the past 20 years

Oriental Music Society

Master-in-Charge: Mr. K.M.N.D.P. Sugathapala

Our Aesthetic section did well in the past 20 years. We performed well in the area of music at Zonal & Provincial level Competitions gaining first place and being selected for the National Level competition.

Western Band

Master-in-Charge: Mr. E.M.N.D.P. Sugathapala

Western Band Leader T.D. Wijesundara

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

Oriental Band

Master-in-Charge: Mr. W.M.N.G. Wijesekera

The Oriental Band was a prominent feature at all School activities like the Prize Giving, Children's Day and Teachers Day. Last year we won the 1st place at the Zonal level (SawulaWannama) and 2nd place at the Provincial level.

Art & Craft Club

Masters- in -Charge:Mr. A. Amsakumar and Mr. H.M.N.G. Herath

The students who belong to this Club took part in All Island Art Competitions and won many places. The Art Club students decorated the Main hall and vehicles for the 75th Anniversary of the College.

Agriculture Club

Masters-in-Charge: Mr. V. W. Dikkumbura and Mr. B.M. Sufiyan

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.

SPORTS AND GAMES

Sports Coordinator: Mr. Samantha Perera

House Masters

Mr. A. Sivaprasath – De Saram House

Mr. S. Kamalathithan– Garnier House

Mr. Peter Colin – Read House

Mrs. N. Chathurani – Hayman House

Athletics

Master- in -Charge : Mr. W.M.N.G. Wijesekera

Assistant: Mr. D.K. Rasika

The main event of the Athletics calendar 2017 was the Annual Inter House Athletics Meet held on 3rd February, 2017. The Chief Guest was Ven. Keerthisiri Fernando

Inter House Matches

Champion House - Read House

Zonal Athletic Meet - 2017

56 Students participated in the Zonal Meet held at Welimada M.M.V. Grounds. Places obtained 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places.

The Provincial Athletic Meet - 2017

09 students participated in the events held in July 2017

- U – 18 Javeling - H.S.C. Fernando
- U - 16 Javeling - C.U. D. Dissanayake
- U - 18 Discus - R.S. Samarakoon
- U - 18 Discus - K.T.T.H. Rupasinghe
- U – 14 4 x 100 m Relay - W.U Dilsara
S.M.M.S. Khan
M.R.H. Rafath
K.D.V. Hansaka

The Horse Riding Club

Horse Riding Master: Mr. K.M. C. Jayanath

The Horse Riding Club is functioning smoothly with over 30 members. Riding practises are held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school from 3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.

The students of the Riding Club took part in special ceremonies in the College such as the 75th Anniversary Walk from Boralanda to Gururtalawa on 12th May 2017, the Chapel Festival and the Inter House Sports Meet, with the two horses Faith and Angel.

Badminton

Master-in-Charge/Coach: Mr. N.R.E. Rupasinghe

Out Team came third at the Provincial Tournament held at S. Thomas' College Bandarawela and qualified for All Island matches. STC Guru came up to the quarter finals.

Rugby Football

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

Inter School W.T. Keble Trophy Inaugural Encounter 2017 was played in Colombo, STC Guru Vs STC Prep on the 15th of July 2017. STC Prep won the match.

Inter House Matches were played at the College Grounds on the 24th and 26th of October 2017.

Champion House – Read House

Runners Up –De Saram House

Cricket

Master- in -Charge: Mr. S. Kaviharana

Coach: Mr. K. Mohan Kumar

Uva Thomian Cricket Encounter 2017 was won by STC Bandarawela

The School team participated in the Sri Lanka School Cricket (all Island) 2017

U 13 – Played 04 matches, won 2, draw 1

Best performance S.M.M.S. Khan, H.M.C.Y Gattapola, K.G.M.C. Bandara, L.D.D. Shaminda, K.M.J.R. Sugathapala and T.D.M.B. Dikkumbura. Selected for the second round but could not play.

U 14 – President Cup Badulla District – Sri Lanka School Cricket (All Island) 2017. Played 06 matches won 04 matches lost 2 matches – became the runners up in the Badulla district in the finals.

Best performance – N. Hasith, M. Agash Sachin, J.K.C. Dhananjaya and U.H.R. Vikash

Sri Lanka School Cricket 2017

U 15 – Division II. Played 5 matches won 3 matches lost 2 matches

Best performance – N. Hasith, S.G.L.P. Imalka, M. Agash Sachin. Selected for the round

OBA Match – Present boys won the match

2 practise matches – Both won by STC Guru

Sri Lanka School Cricket Tournament – Played 03 matches won 2 matches

Best performance – R.S. Samarakoon, M.M. Dominic, A.K.A. Shakeef and K.R.S. Hussain

Our teams were selected for the 2nd round but did not Continuous due to the GCE O/L examination.

Five of our players were selected for participated in the U – 15 Badulla District Team 2017 against India. Badulla Team won.

Selected Players - (N. Hasith, M. Agash Sachin. P. Imalka, U.H.R. Vikash and

J.K.C. Dhananjaya.)

House Matches 2017

Primary - Garnier & De Saram (joint Champion)
Junior - Garnier
Senior - Garnier

Swimming

Master- in -Charge: Mr. W.M.E.P.B. Wijeratne

Coach: Mr. D.G.P.K. Wickramasinghe

Master W.W.M.L. Chandira and I.M.S. Premarathne represented the College in the “44” Open Two Mile Sea Swim event, conducted by the Dharmashoka College, Ambalangoda on 12th February 2017 for the first time in the College history and were placed 120th and 337th respectively out of about 500 contestants.

Four Swimmers participated in the 10th Annual Sri Lanka Schools All Island Age Group Novices Aquatic Championship”, conducted by the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Sports Association on at the Sugathadasa Swimming Pool complex, Colombo.

Master S.A.U.C. Subasinghe and two other swimmers participated in the ‘1 km River Swim – under 14 category” event. Conducted by the Dolphin Swimming Club, Ambalangoda at the Madhampa Aththabada riverbank and Master S.A.U.C. Subasinghe was placed 6th out of about 200 participants.

Fourteen swimmers represented the College in the “44” Annual Sri Lanka Schools All Island Age Group Aquatic Championship” conducted by the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Sports Association at the Sugathadasa stadium Swimming Pool complex, Colombo after a lapse of about three years and showed great sportsmanship qualities competing with the best of school swimmers in the Island.

Inter House Swimming Meet – 2017 was held at the College Swimming Pool with active participation of regular and fresh swimmers. Master D.S.I.L. Abeygunawardena (Garneir House) , W.W.M.L. Chandira (Hayman House), S.A.U.C. Subasinghe (Hayman House) emerged under 18, Under 15 and Under 13 swimming champions respectively. Ultimately it was Hayman House which emerged as the champion House in the Inter House Swimming Meet 2017.

Volleyball

As the Zornal Level Competition, Our under 16 team beat Keppetipola M.V and Darmapala M.V and qualified For the semi-final. Our under 16 team also reached the semi-final of the DSI volleyball Tournament.

Hockey

Coach – Mr. Shiraz Khan

Our Hockey players have performed extremely well this year.

Friendly Matches

Played against S. Thomas' College Mount Lavinia - STCG won

Played against Trinity College Kandy and STCG lost the match

The College Team competed in the Sri Lanka Inter Schools under 14 Boys Hockey Nationals 2017. STC Guru won the matches against D.S. Senanayake College Balangoda B.J. Vidyalyoka Galle and President's College Maharagama. STC Guru played in the finals and became runners up winning Silver Medals.

Squash

Coach – Mr. S.K.M. Azane

The boys were very keen in practicing squash. This year 17 boys took part in the All Island Novices Squash Championship.

U 16 - U.B.S.M. Fernando won the Novices Championship beating Royal College Colombo in the finals and two quarter finals.

U 18 - Four boys took part and two boys came up to quarter finals.

U 12 - Five boys took part and three boys won their matches.

Basketball

Coach – Mr. S.K.M. Azane

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

Significant Events During the Year

20 th January 2017	Road Race
1 st February	Induction of Prefects
3 rd February	Inter House Sports Meet - Chief Gaunt - Ven. Keerthisiri Fernando
10 th – 12 th February	Educational Tour
19 th February	PTA Meeting
17 th to 19 th February	STCGOBA Reunion weekend and 58 th AGM
23 rd February	Joint Prefects Day at STC Bandarawela
4 th March	Uva Thomian Cricket Encounter
12 th May	75 th Anniversary of the College Chief Guest Rt. Revd. Dhiloraj Canagasabey
13 th May	Guru Walk
18 th	Guru Day at Mount
17 th June	Prize Giving – Chief Guest Hon. Minister Ravindra Samaraweera
1 st July	Lower School Concert

6 th July	English Day
15 th July	Rugby Encounter
18 st September	PTA Meeting
21 st September	Keble Fair
3rd October	Teachers & Children's Day
29 th November	December vacation

Headmasters Comments

We live in the era of Information Technology. I see the three main sections of our school, namely the students, the Staff and the Parents, and Old boys jointly struggle daily to cope with it.

The students, present day ones are the millennium generation who were born after 2000

who are very different. These 21st century students have their sophisticated appliances which at times are more advanced than those of the staff.

The staff who were born in the 20th century, have to teach and train these students.. the parents and Old boys, who were also born in the 20th century, surprisingly, have forgotten how they were trained and disciplined, but then expect the staff not to behave like the then mentors of them, but to have a free hand.

There is a tendency and trend that either the school or teachers are no more the sole source of learning. The formal, structural teaching and learning is being confronted by multi faceted learning. Instead of obedience, the parents and old boys, let alone the students, demand solutions from the teachers. There is a genuine doubt that gaining knowledge is to learn or for their career or profession.

We must remember that the most important activity of a school is teaching and learning. In order to accomplish this, The Students, the parents and the Old boys should keep in mind that technology especially, the information technology, should facilitate the teacher and not to replace the teacher.

My Thanks

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. We thank Father Nihal for his leadership from 2012 to 2017.

Our Bishop-Rt. Revd Dhiloraj Canagasabey, the Chairman of the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors of the School, especially our Manager Mr. Senaka de Fonseka Senior Vice President of our OBA – Mr. Krishantha Weerawardane, the members OBA EXCO, the STCML OBA, branches abroad, especially the OBAs of Canada, Australia, New York, OBA 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 Divisional and Zonal Directors of Education and their staff at the Welimada office.

The Sectional Heads-Mr V. W. Dikkumbura, Rev. Saman Jayasuriya, Mrs. P.W. Karunarathne and Mr. A. Amsakumar and the Head of Aesthetic Unit Mr. Dushan Suagathpala all 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 Secretary Miss Jacintha Inch and 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. Mr. E.R.J.M. Rathnasiri, The Works Supervisor Mr.M. Maheer, the Food Warden Mr. A.U. Kodagoda, Manager of the College Stores Mr. Premadasa and all members of the College Support Staff. Last but not the least my thanks go to our Chief Operating Officer Mr. Samantha Perera who always come to share my heavy burden.

Donors of our many project all Parents, guardians and other well wishers. Thank you very much.

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 Jayatilleke. 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 2017
THE LOWER SCHOOL
GRADE ONE (KINDERGARTEN)

Prizes for General Proficiency

S.N. Withanachchi
A.B. Hirth
S.P.B.M. Pathirana
A.F.A. Perera
S.D. Rajapakshe
M.A. Ammar Ahamath
K.H.S. Liyanage
V. Thivedha
W.M.O.A. Jayasinghe
R.B.A.I. Senevirathne
A.G.T.L.B. Ekanayake
E.M.S.T.B. Ekanayake
M.R. RuzniAhamed
T.M.T.D. Thennakoon

GRADE TWO (FORM ONE)

Prizes for General Proficiency

M.G.G.I. Mudannayake
W.P.C.H. Wijesinghe
W.M.O.Y. Amarasekara
H.S.P. De Silva
E.B. Hirth
B.G.K.M.S. Ekanayake
A.A. AthibAhamed
N.M.M. Imaadh
S.H.M. Farhan
M.I.M. Ifaaz
P.C. JebaJoyshan
C.A.D. Roshan
M.F. Farha
U. Kidhushana

GRADE THREE (FORM TWO)

Prizes for General Proficiency

R.M.P. Nethsara
M.H.M.V.M. Samarasinghe
W.A.A.P. Gimhana
K.M.L. Nadeeja
M.A. NehanRahil
R.M.Y.K. Rajapakshe
A.S.F. Rizma
M.M.M. Zaireen
F.N. Azmil
R.M.D. Dulakara
M.K. Sangeshini
O.J.L.R. Francis
K.M. Joseph

GRADE FOUR (LOWER THIRD)

S.R. Surendran	-	Divinity
M.A. Basnayaka	-	Buddhism
P.D.T.B. Dabare	-	English Language
M.M.T.N. Mahalaksha	-	Sinhala Language ENV Dancing Singing
H.M.S.N. Samarasekara	-	Mathematics
V. Thaneshan	-	Mathematics Singing Link Language
M.R. Rila	-	Link Language
W.A. Adithya	-	Handwork
L.T.K. Perera	-	Art
Form Prize	-	M.M.T.N.Mahalaksha

GRADE FIVE (UPPER THIRD)

W.P.I.S. Wijesinghe	-	Buddhism Sinhala Language ENV Art Singing
M.A.M. Amazh	-	Islam English Language Link Language
M.R.M. Shamil	-	Islam English Language Link Language
W.J.M.A.S. Indrarathna	-	English Language
P.D.J.B. Wickramasinghe	-	Mathematics
G.N.D. Perera	-	Handwork
M.R.M. Rehlan	-	Handwork Art
D.S. Lehansa G. Dhakshanth	-	Dancing
M.H.M. Hafzal A.C.M. Manaz	-	Singing
Form Prize	-	W.P.I.S. Wijesinghe A.C.M. Manaz

Special Prizes

Singing

Grade 1	-	K.D.D. De Silva A.S. Fathima Samha
Grade 2	-	S.D. Hewage I.M. Fathaahi

Grade 3 - A. HanaanAhamed
R. Harish Mirunalan

Grade 4 - S.K. Hewage
T.O. Milakshini

Grade 5 - M.A.H. Senile
M. Nithish

Dancing

Grade 1 - M.J.A.C.S. Jayasinghe
M.F. Noora

Grade 2 - M.H.M.T.N. Samarasinghe
V. Thivedha

Grade 3 - A.A. Athib Ahamed
M.F. Farha

Grade 4 - M.H.M.V.M. Samarasinghe
M.K. Sangeshini

Grade 5 - M.M.T.N. Mahalaksha
V. Thaneshan

Art

Grade 1 - P.D.S.S. Pathirana

Grade 2 - M.A.M. Amhar

Grade 3 - V. H. Traveen

Grade 4 - W.M.N.N.S. Wijesekara

Grade 5 - R.A. Jayakody

Handwork

Grade 1 - M.D.S. Sadanjaya

Grade 2 - G.A.T.K. Gangodawila

Grade 3 - J.G. D.D. Jayasinghe

Grade 4 - W.A.A.P. Gimhana

Grade 5 - P.D.T.B. Dabare

**The Headmaster's Prize for the Best All round Student in the Lower School –
P.D.J.B. Wickramasinghe**

MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADE SIX (LOWER FOURTH)

J.J. Amath	-	Divinity
H.H.G. Shanan	-	Divinity
E.D.M Hendricus	-	Buddhism
K. Harisriwardhan	-	Hinduism
M.M.M. Hamdhan	-	Islam Health &Phy. Education
M.R.N.Ahamed	-	Islam
M.I.M. Inshaf	-	English Language Tamil Language Science History LCC Education Link Language PTS
A.M.D. Premanjana	-	Sinhala Language Mathematics Geography LCC Education
H.M.S.T. Padmasiri	-	Mathematics Health &Phy. Education
W.K.L. Lakshitha	-	Mathematics Science Geography LCC Education Health &Phy. Education Art

J.J.P. Pramoth - Science
Health &Phy. Education
Dancing
PTS

J.T.B. Jayasundara - History

M.R.N. Ahamad - Geography
Link Language

K.M.K.N.S. Konara - Music

Form Prize - W.K.L. Lakshitha
A.M.D. Premanjana

GRADE 7 (UPPER FOURTH)

L.K. Sheron - Divinity

S.W.A.S. Silva - Divinity

K.K.C.T. Rathnajeewa - Buddhism
Science

T. Vidushan - Hinduism
Tamil Language
Mathematics
Science
Geography
LCC Education
Health & Phy. Education

M.F.M. Fawad - Islam
History
Link Language
PTS

M.A.M. Akzhan - Islam
English Language
Sinhala Language
History
Geography
Link Language

		Health & Phy. Education PTS
S.M.M. Shaheed Khan -		Mathematics Science LCC Education
R.N. Milanka -		Mathematics LCC Education Health & Phy. Education
K.M.I.R. Sugathapala -		Geography Music
V. Hiroshan -		Art PTS
J.G.D.N. Jamburegoda -		Art
S.A.U.C. Subasinghe -		Dancing
Form Prize -		T. Vidushan M.A.M. Akzahan

GRADE EIGHT (FORM FIVE)

R.G. Praveen Thushara -		Divinity Mathematics Science Geography Link Language Health & Phy. Education PTS
J. Sri Kanth -		Divinity Link Language
T.M.C.H. Thennakoon -		Buddhism History LCC Education
S. Sayanthan -		Hinduism

M. F.M. Musharrif	-	Islam
M.H.M. Arkkam	-	Islam
T.D. Abeydeera	-	English Language Geography LCC Education Health & Phy. Education
H.K. Dharmasiri	-	Sinhala Language Mathematics Science Dancing PTS
A.M.F. Insaf	-	Tamil Language History LCC Education Art
R.M. Gamage	-	Mathematics Geography
M.R.M. Raafath	-	Science
R.S. Sayakkara	-	Health &Phy. Education
J.J.S.K. Fernando	-	Art
A.L.G.P.N.Karunarathna	-	Music
Form Prize	-	A.M.F. Insaf H.K. Dharmasiri

Special Prizes

The Prize for the Best All round student in the Middle school -
(Presented by the Old Thomian Association of the UK) - **T.D. Abeydeera**

UPPER SCHOOL
GRADE NINE (LOWER SIXTH)

L.G.A.I. De Silva	-	Buddhism Sinhala Language Mathematics Science LCC Education
M.F.M. Amry	-	Islam Mathematics
M.F.M. Azran	-	Islam
M. Hemeshkkan	-	Hinduism Tamil Language Science History Geography LCC Education Link Language Health & Phy. Education Art PTS
D.N. Senanayake	-	English Language Health & Phy. Education
N.M.P.S. Nawarathne	-	Mathematics History
N.M.M.B. Nawarathne	-	Science Art
J.P.S.B.J.L. Wimod	-	Geography LCC Education
A.J.R. Palihakkara	-	Geography Health & Phy Education Music
F. Rayan	-	Link Language

K.W.P. Kalpana - Dancing

K.A.L.Y.B. KodippiliArachchi - PTS

Form Prize - M. Hemeshkhan
L.G.A.I.De Silva

GRADE TEN (MIDDLE SIXTH)

A.M.I. Udara - Divinity
Health & Phy. Education

B.C.K. A. Bandara - Buddhism
Agriculture

M.H.M. Arham - Islam
Science
History
Art
Agriculture

M.R.M. Dilshard - Islam

R. Yugeshwar - English Language
Mathematics
Business Studies

W.A.S.S. Wijesinghe - Sinhala Language

M.K.A. Mendis - Mathematics

S.M.C.N. Siriwardena - Science

N.C. Liyanage - History

L.B.C. Weerasinghe - Geography

W.W.M.L. Chandira - Geography
ICT

A.W.R.M. Gunawardana - Business Studies

M.D.B.M. Jayawardana	-	Music
Y. Dilrukshan	-	Dancing
M.A.C.M. Faizam	-	ICT
Form Prize	-	M.H.M. Arham B.C.K. A. Bandara

GRADE ELEVEN (UPPER SIXTH)

W.M.A.K. Premarathna	-	Buddhism
A.H.A. Naweed	-	Islam Tamil Language Mathematics Science
M.F.M. Fazlan	-	Islam
R. Sham	-	Hinduism
R.A. Abeydeera	-	English Language Matematics
K.R.P.S.Ransika	-	Sinhala Language Science Business Studies
P.V. Jayawickrama	-	Mathematics
J.I.M. Sabrin	-	History Geography Agriculture
H.A.I.M..Sumanaweera	-	History Art Health & Phy. Education
D.G.H. Denuka	-	Business Studies
H.P.Gamage	-	Geography
K.M.R.M. Sugathapala	-	Music

P. P. Dewapura	-	Dancing
H.S.A. Fernando	-	Agriculture
M.H.M. Hajan	-	ICT
D.I.I.C. De Silva	-	ICT
Form Prize	-	J.I.M. Sabrin K.R.P.S.Ransika

SPECIAL PRIZES

The Chapel Prize

[Presented to the Senior Sacristan]

- **S.D.D. Rathnayake**

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

- **U.B.S.M. Fernando**

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

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

- **S.M.C.N. Siriwardena**

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

Sukunda Sudanthri Memorial Prize for Hinduism

- **M. Hemeshkkan**

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

The Shakir H. Marikkar Memorial Prize for Islam

- **M.S.M. Rifkan**

[Awarded to a student in the Upper School]

The Cyril Perera Memorial Prize for Excellence in English

[Presented by the Members of his Family]

Senior

- **M. Agash Sachin**

Junior

- **M.A.M. Akzhan**

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

[Presented by the Members of his family]

- **S.M. Rifkhan**

- **R. Yugeshwar**

- **M.K.A. Mendis**

The Mr. L.A.M. Chandrasekera Memorial prize for the Best IT Student
[Presented by the Members of his family] - **W.A.S.S. Wijesinghe**

The Wijewardene Science Prize - **M.C.N. Siriwardena**
- **R.H.M. Rukshan**
- **D.N. Senanayake**

The Mr. A. K. Chapman Scholarship Award for Science
[Presented by Mrs Betty Chapman and Members of the Family]
Senior - **K.A.L.Y.B. Kodippli Arachchi**
Junior - **M.R.M. Raafath**

The D. W. Sooriyarachchi Memorial Prize for Agriculture - **M.H.M. Arham**
B.C.K.A. Bandara

The David Paynter Memorial Prize for Best Artist - **S.S. Weesinghe**
M.H.M. Arham

The Prize for Best Oriental Musician - **U.B.S.M. Fernando**

The Prize for Best Oriental Dancer - **L.D.D. Shaminda**

The English Essay Prize **Senior** **S.S.A. Marikkar**
Junior **M.A.M. Akzhan**

The Sinhala Essay Prize **Senior** **B.C.K. Bandara**
Junior **K.M.K.N.S. Konara**

The Tamil Essay Prize **Senior** **R.H.M. Rukshan**
Junior **V. Hiroshaan**

The English Oratory Prize **Senior** **M.D.C.S. Karunaratne**
Junior **S.M.M. Shaheed Khan**

The Sinhala Oratory Prize **Senior** **R.K.N.H. Ramanayake**
Junior **W.M.A.D.K.O. Welikanna**

The Tamil Oratory Prize **Senior** **R.G. Praveen Thushara**
Junior **T. Vidushan**

Special Sports Awards for the Year 2017

Athletics	Senior Junior	R.S. Samarakoon R.K.N.H. Ramanayake
Badminton	Senior Junior	H.A.I.M. Sumanaweera U.B.S.M. Fernando
Rugby	Senior Junior Primary	H.S.A. Fernando K.A.M. Sandeepa S.D. Watawala
Cricket	Senior Junior Primary	C.M. De Silva M. Agash Sachin K.R. Samaraweera
Swimming	Senior Junior	W.C.M.L. Chandira S.A.U.C. Subasinghe
Volleyball	Senior Junior	R.S. Samarakoon R.K.N.H. Ramanayake
Football	Senior	M.F.M. Azran
Horse Riding	Best Rider Best Groomer	A.A.T.D. Wijesundara D.I.I.C. De Silva
Squash	Senior Junior	U.B.S.M. Fernando K.R. Samaraweera
Hockey	Senior Junior	M.F.M. Amry S.M.M. Shaheed Khan
Best Orchestra Player Junior	-	M.L.M.T.N. Mahalaksha
Best Western Bandsman	-	A.A.T.D. Wijesundara
Prize for Best Oriental Bandsman	-	Y. Dilrukshan
The most outstanding Cricketer	-	A.K.A. Shakeef
The most outstanding Squash player-		U.B.S.M. Fernando

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

R.K.N.H. Ramanayake

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

M.M. Dominic

Upcoming Cricketer of the School 2017/2018

J.K.C. Dananjaya

The D. A. Seneviratne Memorial Challenge Cup for the Champion House at the
Inter-House Athletics Meet 2017

Read House

The Canon R. S. de Saram Memorial Challenge Shield for the Champion House at
the Inter-House Rugby Football Tournament 2017

Read House

The Champion House at the Inter House Volleyball Tournament 2017 -

De Saram House

The A.C.M. Laffir Memorial Challenge Cup for the Champion House at the Inter
House Hockey Tournament Junior 2017 -

Hayman House

The Bahar Memorial Shield for the Champion House at the Inter-House Cricket
Tournament 2017 -

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 2017-

Hayman House

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 2017

[Presented by the Headmaster]

P.D.J.B. Wickramasinghe

The Canon A. J. Foster Memorial Scholarship Prize

[Presented by the STCG OBA]

U.B.S.M. Fernando

The R. L. & Mary Hayman Memorial Scholarship Prize

[Presented by the STCG OBA]

S.M.C.N. Siriwardena

The Cyril Perera Memorial Prize for the Best Scholar in the Middle VIth Form 2017

[Presented by his Family Members]

A.V.R.M. Gunawardana

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

[Presented by Members of the Jayatilleke Family]) **M.K.A. Mendis**

The Ronnie Weerakoon Memorial Challenge Shield for the Most Outstanding Student in Sports 2017

[Presented by Members and Friends of the Weerakoon Family]

R.S. Samarakoon

The R. G. W. Nilaweera Memorial Prize for the Scholar obtaining the Best Results at the G. C. E. Ordinary Level Examination 2017

[Presented by Members of the Family]

A.H.A. Naweed

Canon A.J. Foster Memorial Prize for Best results at the GCE O/L examination

[Presented by Mr. S.K. Wickramasinghe]

A.H.A. Naweed

The Dr. R. L. Hayman Memorial Trophy for the Best All Round Student of the School – 2017

K.P.R.S. Ransika

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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*