



PAST PUPILS' ASSOCIATION

Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya

2017 / 2018

Newsletter

Message from the Principal, Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya



Congratulations to Mrs. Nirmaline Jayalath-Perera the newly elected President of the PPA and her Committee and my best wishes for a successful year. Nirmaline is an experienced Committee Member of the PPA and I believe that this familiarity with the Association will enable you to implement novel activities to realize Familian values.

My sincere gratitude goes out to Mrs. Gowrie Indraratne, immediate Past President. You were a strong pillar, providing strength to the PPA and doing your duty to the fullest. Though a Buddhist, you showed everyone that religion is not a barrier to be a true Familian. I have keenly observed your generous support and the readiness you have shown towards all activities organized by the school. You always respected the school rules and reminded others to abide by them. The Familian Walk, which was organized under your purview, to bring the present and past Familians together for a common cause, will always be cherished.

My dear ladies, you as members of the PPA, are engaged in a great mission. It is you who have to hand over the heritage of the Holy Family to the future generations. I am aware that you have manifold tasks to fulfill, to make the Familian spirit fly high, and to create the real Familian image.

As our vision statement states, "Light up the world with women of virtue and wisdom", let's strive together, walking in the correct path towards our common focus, to bring glory to God alone, through Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

To conclude, we remind ourselves of a saying in the Holy Bible about women of virtue and wisdom: "Strength and Honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come". (Proverbs: 31:25)

God Bless You!

Rev. Sr. Deepa Fernando

Message from the President Past Pupils' Association, Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya for the year 2017/2018



Dear Members,

I am humbled to accept the Presidency of the Past Pupils' Association of Holy Family Convent, Bambalapitiya for the year 2017/2018.

I take this opportunity to thank our Patroness Rev. Sr. Euphrasia Rodrigo, Principal of the School Rev. Sr. Deepa Fernando, Principal of the Primary School Rev. Sr. Jessica Kulathunga and Vice Principal Ms. Rositha Dissanayake for the confidence placed in me. I also thank the membership for appointing me to lead the PPA and my team for accepting to come forward to assist me in driving the PPA towards its goals.

My focus this year will be to bring together all the batches of the past pupils and to build a network through them, which will help the PPA to achieve the primary goal of serving our Alma Mater.

My ambition is to take our Association to greater heights from where other past presidents before me have brought it to. For this, I seek the assistance of all 3842 members. Together as a team let us rally around the mother who has nurtured us to be who we are today, so that she will be strengthened to nurture and raise our children and our children's children to greater heights.

Thank you and look forward to a great year!

Nirmaline Jayalath Perera



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PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2017/2018

Praise and Worship session with Rev. Fr. Kalana Peiris – Saturday the 6th of May 2017

God gives us all things, without him we are nothing. Let us start our year praising and thanking the good Lord for the abundant blessings he has so generously showered upon us.

We eagerly look forward to having our school chapel filled with past and present Familians and their families at our praise and worship session with our celebrant guiding us through a morning filled with prayer and adoration. On this day we will reflect on our lives and on the teachings of mercy and love in our families and day-to-day life. Let us learn to become families that grow in love and live in harmony as the Family of God.

Join us at the school Chapel at 9:00 am until 12:00 noon, bring along your family too. The monies collected as offertory will be used to fund our CSR projects. Please do confirm your participation with any Committee Member on or before the 3rd of May 2017.

Annual Social – Arabian Nights - Saturday the 27th of May 2017, 6.30 pm onwards

The most awaited annual social... a fun-filled evening with your Familian Sisters. We may not have a Genie in a Lamp, but we can assure you an evening of magical entertainment. Our social with the theme “Arabian Nights”, calls our lovely ladies to a grand and enchanting evening in the make-believe Middle Eastern Desert of our school grounds. Keep this date free, plan your attire and book your tickets early to kick off your heels and enjoy your night with your Familian family. We have planned for you a delightful buffet, exciting games and fantastic prizes.

Tickets will be priced at Rs. 2,750/- and will be available in school on Mondays and Thursdays from 4th May 2017 and with Committee Members.

Networking with Batch Representatives – Friday the 16th of June 2017, 6.00 pm

The objective for the year being that the PPA gather and include the Batch Groups in all planned events of the PPA, we have planned an Evening of Fellowship to encourage the formation of Batch Groups comprising Past Pupils who are Members of the Association. We hope to achieve a wider reach-out and foster greater support to the activities of the PPA through them. We invite the Representative of each batch registered with the PPA to come share your ideas with the Committee.

Fundraiser ‘Musical Eve’ – Saturday the 30th of September 2017

A night of musical entertainment is what we have planned for you. Get your toes tapping and hands clapping to the music of renowned bands, artistes and other guest performers. Bring along your family and your friends, the young as well as the young at heart to our evening of live song and dance to the Auditorium of St. Joseph’s College, Colombo 10.

Funds raised from this project will be utilized for school projects and our planned PPA projects. We call all Familians to come forward and support this event through canvassing for sponsorships. It will be a great opportunity for sponsors, with an expected audience of 2000 or more. Please contact Nirmaline or any of the executive committee members for more details.

Do await further details on the event.

Holy Mass for Dear Departed Souls – Saturday the 11th of November 2017

“Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord and as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened, so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants also find new strength. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen”

It is time to give thanks to the lives of those who had lived and gone before us. As customarily done during this time of the year we dedicate time and prayer to the memory of our ‘dear departed’.

The thanksgiving service in memory of our dear departed Familians, Teachers, Rev. Sisters and Support Staff, will be held at the school Chapel on the 11th of November 2017 at 9.00 am. Further details will be published in the Catholic Messenger, our Website and the Facebook page.

Annual CSR Project - Share

God has blessed us in abundance. The clean water we drink, the assortment of food we eat, the designer clothes we wear, the branded stationery our children use..... yes we are blessed. There are children in our own society who go hungry, who have no books to study and no clean drinking water. Again, yes we are blessed..... blessed in plenty. Let us reach out to those in need and share. The PPA looks to reach out to a school in need and share our plentiful blessings. If you wish to contribute in any means or would have any suggestions please do contact Nirmaline.

INFORMATION

Batch Groups

According to the PPA Constitution, it is important that each Batch Group register with the main PPA body. Each batch group should have a Batch Representative and once registered will be recognized as active support group of the PPA. Please contact

Jt. Secretary – Sharmila on 0773339132 or e-mail ppahfcb1934@gmail.com with the name and contact number of your batch representative.

Our thanks to the following batches, already registered with the PPA:

Batch	Name of Representative	Contact
1986	Feryal Cassim Sheriff	0773869005
1989	Amali Munasinghe Peiris	0773572097
1992	Shervonne Perera	0777566261
1994	Marina Samaratunga	0777840737
1995	Hiroshi Silva	0759631531
1996	Dedunie De Silva	0722225477
1997	Suranjika Bartholomeuz	0772278878
1998	Shamila Kellapatha	0773633044

Batch	Name of Representative	Contact
2000	Dinoshi Manawadu	0773595568
2001	Dilini Gunawardane	0718720740
2002	Michelle Weerakoon	0773315724
2003	Lilanka Botejue	0777192444
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2008	Nishani Perera	0773022038
2011	Dinithi Warnasuriya	0777575877

E-Newsletters

Ready for a change and contributing in saving the environment at the same time? Change the traditional way of receiving your newsletters and PPA notices by switching to paperless E-Newsletters. Please send a mail to ppahfcb1934@gmail.com with your full name and your PPA Membership Number with “E-Newsletter” on Subject to register. Help us reduce our annual snail mail cost.

Membership

Application forms for new memberships are available with the School Coordinator Mrs. Premila Preena or with the Joint Secretaries. You could also download the application form from our website www.hfcppa.org. Completed form with the payment of Rs 2,000/= for Life Membership should be handed over to Mrs. Premila Preena for processing. Please note that you can meet Mrs. Premila Preena only on “Thursdays” between 9 am and 12 noon in school.

Duplicate Cards

If you require a duplicate card, please handover a written request with your details and requirement with a payment of Rs. 250/= to School Coordinator Mrs. Premila Preena on Thursdays between 9 am and 12 noon.

Change of Address

We have many newsletters being returned to us due to changes of addresses. If you have moved residence, please do keep the joint secretaries informed via email or post

Facebook Page

Be our friend, follow us on Facebook and be updated with the PPA activities on “Holy Family Convent Bambalapitiya PPA”.

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