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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I extend my sincere congratulations to the new committee. Thank you Sudharshana, for accepting once again the position of the President of the PPA and agreeing to carry out the many duties and responsibilities.

I thank all outgoing members for the dedicated services rendered during your tenure. You worked with deep commitment and worked tirelessly for the progress of the school and focused on maintaining Familian traditions and values. Thank you.

I am aware that each one of you is ready to support the school with a deep sense of loyalty and sincere gratitude which you possess towards your Alma Mater where you were nurtured and moulded to be the responsible individuals you are today.

The services rendered by the past pupils are truly wonderful. At various times the past pupils work for the progress of the school and the students in different ways. They share their knowledge, experience and expertise with students and also extend financial support to some students who require such assistance due to personal reasons. My sincere thanks are extended to each and every one of these great individuals for their generosity and support.

With God's blessings may the activities of the PPA progress from strength to strength.

Rev. Sr. Deepa Fernando
Principal

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

My Dear Past Familians!

As the Association enters the 85th milestone year, I consider it a great honour to give leadership for another consecutive year. I wish to thank each and every one of you for placing your trust and confidence in me and my new committee.

The warm and welcoming community is a reflection of Familian values, care and commitment. The continuing support of the Familian community is what helps make the difference.

I look forward to the threads we will add to our tapestry this year and celebrating the continuing journey.

Let's uphold the rich and old traditions whilst exploring the possibility of nurturing new ideas.

Let's together uphold the dignity of our Alma Mater.

I pray to the Almighty to guide us and our youth and help us in doing His will.

Sudharshana Sathianathan Peter
President



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PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2019/2020

As a new year dawns on the 85th year of the PPA, we the newly elected committee, are pleased to bring to you a series of exciting events that we hope will renew the spirit of our school days and bring together Familians from all walks of life. Each event has been chosen to cater to different preferences and is an opportunity to leave behind the mundane daily grind and reminisce and reconnect the friendships made all those years ago.

We look forward to your enthusiastic participation.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION – WAY OF THE CROSS - Saturday, 30th March 2019

Confirm Participation to: Shereen – 0727652521, Sowtha - 0777769021

We will commence this year's events with a special Day of Recollection which will feature a Way of the Cross as it is the season of Lent, followed by Holy Mass. It will be held in the School Chapel. Mass offerings will be given to the elderly Rev. Sisters of Holy Family at Shantha Samaya Retirement Home, Wennappuwa. There are 40 sisters at present including the former Primary Principal Rev. Sr. Violet and former Superior Rev. Sr. Amelia. Therefore, cash offerings are much appreciated.

8.00 a.m. – 8.30 a.m. – Refreshments
8.30 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. – Way of the Cross
9.30 a.m. – 10.30 a.m. – Holy Mass

This program is open to family and friends of all past and present Familians.

FAMILIAN SOCIAL – Saturday, 4th May 2019 – ‘Diamonds & Sapphires’

Contact: Arundika – 0777685483, Anukshi – 0773416497, Aloka - 0772404207

It is our ‘Diamond & Sapphire’ Anniversary. We invite you to deck yourself in the finest blues and whites and come ready to enjoy a night of true Familian camaraderie at Eagle Hall, Waters Edge, Battaramulla. Tickets priced at Rs.3500/- will be available from Wednesday, 3rd April 2019 with committee members.

FUNDRAISER – Friday, 5th July 2019 - ‘Rhythm of the Night 2’

Contact: Sandhyamalie - 0773131723, Anusha – 0777669066, Rohini - 0711455690

Tune up your vocal chords and grab your dancing shoes as we present ‘Rhythm of the Night 2’ at Hilton Colombo Residences (former JAIC Hilton), Union Place. An evening of music, dancing and just letting your hair down with C Plus. Those of you who missed last year, please book your tickets in time to avoid disappointment. Await more details on the PPA website and on our social media pages.

MEDICAL CAMP – Saturday, 21st September 2019

Confirm participation to: Avanthi – 0722316396, Nishika – 0774544233

After a lapse of several years we are bringing back the medical camp for PPA members. As everyone is busy with life, we ladies often push back attending to our own health. This opportunity is for you to avail yourself to a full medical check up. Please note, this is open to only past Familians and past teachers. Preregistration is required. Please bring your PPA cards on the day of the medical camp. More details will be posted on our social media and website closer to the date.

MASS FOR THE DEAR DEPARTED SOULS – Saturday, 16th November 2019

Contact: Shirmila - 0774418686, Malaika - 0718738505

In remembrance of the dear departed Rev. Sisters, teachers, secretarial and support staff and Familians, a Holy Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, 16th November, at the School Chapel. Await more details closer to the date. Please keep us informed of any demise.

ARCHIVES

Contact: Sudharshana – 0773369729, Pathumka - 0777541165

We are planning to upgrade the archives this year. We appeal to all of you to please donate if you have medals, trophies, brochures or material that is connected with significant achievements and help the future generations be aware of our glorious past Familians and their contribution to society.

BATCH REPRESENTATIVES

Contact: Lilanka – 0777192444, Pathumka - 0777541165

We require all batches to register an official representative with the PPA. A maximum of two representatives per batch can register and we invite batches that do not have a representative to please appoint one and get in touch with the PPA.

MEMBERSHIP

Applications for PPA membership are available at the school gate and on the website. Completed forms can be handed over to the Coordinator Mrs. Rangika Warnesuriye at the School office on Thursdays from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. Those who require their membership cards to be posted to them are kindly requested to submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with the completed application form, or pay an additional Rs.60/- for postage.

SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Contact: Sudharshana – 0773369729, Pathumka - 0777541165

The Special Membership Drive will continue for another year up to **31st December 2019**. Past Familians who wish to join must submit the following;

- Duly filled Application Form with endorsement from 2 PPA members
- Life Membership fee – Rs.2,000/- plus postage of Rs.60/- for the card

The Special Application form is available on the PPA website - **hfcppa.org**. Please inform Familians who are not members, to make use of this opportunity.

For any queries please email **ppahfcb1934@gmail.com** and follow us on Facebook – **Holy Family Convent Bambalapatiya PPA** and Instagram **HFCB PPA**.

Glory Be To God Alone!

**Lilanka Botejue/ Pathumka Cooray
Joint Secretaries - 16th March 2019**