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**News Letter**  
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*"Generous people themselves will be blessed, for they share their food with the poor"*

*Proverbs 22:9*

**"How blessed are those who show mercy, for they will be shown mercy".**

We send you greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It's my pleasure to share many current and past events that occurred at MBKGP (Family Village Farm) in our quarterly publication, through which we have been highlighting the important events that may be of interest to our sponsors, friends and well-wishers.

Firstly, we thank all our benefactors who keep remembering us through prayers and greetings for the children at MBKGP during Christmas festival and New Year 2008.

The New Year 2008 began with a spiritual retreat conducted for all the staff from home and Kings School. The eighth death anniversary of our founder Dr. Pauline E King (MUMMY) was remembered through a thanksgiving service led by our local pastor. The Alumni of MBKGP held a special gathering in remembrance of MUMMY and praised God for her life and witness. It was an exciting and wonderfully rewarding day. Many of the Alumni gave moving testimonies and valuable reminiscences of their experiences at MBKGP for the benefit of both the present and past students of the home.

This year, we are very pleased with the academic performance of our children; especially the children who appeared for tenth and twelfth standard government board examination. All our children passed with flying colours and made us proud. The children were very happy with success in their examinations and we would like to convey a special "Thank You" to all our sponsors, friends and well wishers, whose prayers and remembrance have given strength and academic support to our children. We have been taking efforts to improve the quality of education for our children and on this regard; we would like to thank the Clyde Work family for donating a program called Destiny Education Services in memory of Janice. This program helped a remarkable change in the quality of education being delivered at King's School.

We thank our Lord for all the blessings He has been giving through our sponsors; Global Ministries – USA, COMENOI – Italy, and Anna Hunter of the Belgravia Gallery – London, well-wishers and friends. Consequently, it is only through all your support and prayers that we are able to make a difference in the lives of all these needy children and old aged under our care at MBKGP.

Jesus Christ came to this world bringing the message of love and peace. As we move forward into the future, we hope that this message of love and peace will be seen and shared in all the work that we do at this institution. We ask for your continued support and prayers to help us to further carry this good work started by MUMMY, and to ensure that we may continue to live and witness Jesus Christ in our service at the MBKGP.

May God Bless You All.

Y. Kirubahara Daniel,  
Deputy Director.

**From Principal's Desk...**

**'To God be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done'**

King's Matriculation School was founded by Dr. Pauline E King in 1978 to provide physical, spiritual and educational development for the underprivileged and needy children. It was Dr. King's vision that every child should be given the best possible opportunity in life to succeed. It was this vision that led to the establishment of the MBKG and set a foundation for many underprivileged children to receive the necessary tools to build a more promising future for themselves.

Inspired by Dr. King's vision, it was decided that the School reaches out to include the children of the 27 neighbouring villages. Most of these children come from economically and socially underprivileged backgrounds. It was essential that these children who came to the King's School should be given the opportunity to broaden their horizons through a good English education. The expansion of the school has allowed these children to receive a full English-based education and proudly become the first of their generation to attend a schooling institution.

Our school's resources and facilities are some of the best in the area and have become even better, thanks to the generosity of our donors and sponsors. We now have 20 brand new computers in the Sebastian Computer Lab, which was kindly donated by Mrs. Anna Hunter from the United Kingdom. This resource was previously unavailable due to limited funds and the rural setting of the school. Now our children have full internet access and are receiving regular computer classes. This much-needed contribution to the school has helped accelerate the learning of our children and has given them the opportunity to receive the necessary skills to compete in this rapidly modernizing and technological world.

We have now also started a lunch program which is being supported through the generosity of our sponsors. It came to our attention that there were 60 students in our school who were not having lunch every day because the children's parents were having financial difficulties and did not have enough funds to provide their children with lunch. Concerned at this situation we appealed to our donors and we have now successfully ensured that each of these children is receiving a healthy and nutritious meal each day. We are looking for more sponsors to fund this programme.

# SCHOOL NEWS

Since the well-being of our children is of utmost importance to us, we seek to find the necessary tools to pave the brightest path for their future. We strive to find the best methods to consistently improve the quality of our teaching and the children's learning abilities. In pursuing this goal we have started an on going training programme for all the teachers at the school which is conducted by the Destiny Education Services, Mumbai. The program at the King's School has been under the guidance and supervision of an American Educational Specialist, Ms. Mindy Eichhorn. We remain grateful to Mindy for all the changes that she has brought at the King's School. We would like to express our gratitude to Dr. Clyde Work for funding this program to improve the quality of life and learning and are looking for more sponsorship to help us continue this programme.

We are delighted at the success stories of our graduating children. Many have risen from underprivileged backgrounds and have moved on to lead successful careers in engineering, teaching, and nursing. Many have gone to work in areas such as in Europe, the Middle East and North America. We continue to commend the success of these students and encourage our children to strive and achieve similar goals. We would like to congratulate all of our Standard 10 students for striving for excellence and achieving 100% pass in this year's board exams. They have made us proud.

We owe the heartfelt thanks to all our sponsors and donors who make all these dreams and possibilities a reality.

We at the King's family, endeavour to provide the best possible education for our children so as to equip them for the challenges that they would face in the future. It is our prayer that the world continues to hold the torch of tolerance, patience and understanding so as to provide a bright future for the students of King's Matriculation School.

**God doesn't call the qualified, but He qualifies the called.**

**Mrs. Vatsala Vijaya Kumar, Principal.**

The culture of India has been long shaped by its unique geography and absorption of customs, traditions and ideas from its neighbours as well as by preserving its ancient heritages. It is our desire to develop patriotism among children and we have learnt that school education is one of the better mediums through which these traditions could be imparted to our children; to ensure that they should later carry this torch of knowledge on traditions, customs and identity into the next generation which form a part of our rich heritage and culture and moreover, this would make them as proud citizens of India.

## Republic Day Celebrations

On Saturday, January 26, we vividly celebrated Republic Day, one of the most colourful and prestigious national festivals. The day has acquired the status of a social celebration in which students participated wholeheartedly in a big way. Children raised our national flag during the Republic Day parade. Though the parade is the main ceremony, various activities were held from the early morning which was followed by homage (by silence) to Mahatma Gandhi, the father of our nation and other national leaders. It was then followed by sport events and the variations in culture were displayed through colourful attires and folk dances.

## Annual Day

On Monday, January 28, the annual day extravaganza for all the classes in King's School was held in the senior school campus. On this exciting day, Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji, the Director, CMC Hospital lit the lamp as an act of initiating the start of an auspicious moment-one that the students had been waiting for the entire year. The Secretary, Mr. Tharyan K. Koshi gave the welcome address while the Principal, Mrs. Vatsala Vijaya Kumar, gave the annual report. The Guest of honour, Dr. Suranjan Bhattacharji delivered an inspiring message on Undiminishing Love, one of the finest qualities of human beings. It was succeeded by tenth standard graduation ceremony and cultural programmes demonstrated by the children. Prizes were distributed to encourage the talents and ability of the students through out the year in various activities. We wish to assure all our sponsors and well-wishers that we are constantly putting much effort and hardships to improve the quality of education at school through better teaching methods and course curriculum.



**Dr. Suranjan,  
Director CMCH  
at the Annual Day  
Celebrations**



## HOME NEWS

### STAFF RETREAT

The New Year of 2008 started with a staff retreat on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2008. Prof. D. Christhu Doss from Department of Chemistry, Voorhees College, Vellore joined us and helped us to renew our faith.

### EIGHTH DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF MUMMY

The eighth death anniversary of our founder, Dr. Pauline E. King was remembered on 20<sup>th</sup> of January, 2008. The local pastor conducted the thanksgiving service followed by children, staff and alumni visiting the grave of MUMMY and placing flowers on her grave. Later, Mrs. Achyamma John, our former Deputy Director gave a glowing tribute to our late founder. In addition to the main ceremony, it was succeeded by a special service and gathering by the Alumni of MBKG Pannai. Presently, the Alumni comprises more than 150 families who shared their loving memories and their developmental stages from childhood to this moment. They had a lunch

together with the present home children. Games were conducted for the children and prizes were distributed to the winners and participants. In order to show their love in return which they received from this institution, the alumni came forward to support six children from the school. We congratulate their initiative and we are grateful to them for their support and the cooperation.



### RETIREMENT

Mr. G. Chandrasekhar, Warden and Public Relation Officer (PRO), retired from MBKGP on January 17, 2008, after more than 28 years of illustrious service to the children. After obtaining degree and training for warden and public relations, he was working as KNH warden and later joined the MBKGP family in 1979 as boys' hostel warden and has been here till his retirement. Mr. Chandrasekhar was responsible for the boys' daily activities and health, admitting children, site interview during admission to every village, gathering information and certificates for admission, finding child's eligibility for admission in home, conducting Sunday classes and Vacation Bible School. He has been a great motivator and leader for more than 200 boys who passed out from this institution and who had witnessed his vital contributions which made them to have good positions and responsibilities in the society. He was a diligent and spiritual man whose parting was felt sad during his farewell. We thank our Lord for all the blessings we had received through him and we offer our prayers and good wishes for all his further endeavours in his life and for his family.

### VISITORS

Almost all the visitors of MBKG Pannai have given the feedback that our place particularly is very serene and beautiful full of trees and well maintained gardens. We always welcome all our sponsors and well-wishers to this beautiful place and will be delighted to make necessary arrangements for your stay with us.

A group of eight sponsors from St John the Baptist Church in Alresford, Hampshire, UK visited MBKGP in the month of January. Among this group, we thank all, and especially Rev. Phill Collins and Mr. David for their continued support for MBKGP. They were involved in various activities at Pannai and also at the King's Matriculation School. We were also very happy to receive Mr. John and Mrs. Mary White in the month of January. During their stay at Pannai, all the children enjoyed their presence and we thank them for their generous donations and gifts for the development of our School Library.



Hello everybody! I am Eruchappan and was admitted at MBKG Pannai last year at the age of 2 ½ years. I was so weak and there was nobody to take care of me. I lost my mother and was left alone with my father. My father is a coolie, and was unable to provide the necessary care to me. Due to his inability to look after me, my father admitted me in MBKG Pannai. Now I am happy along with my brothers and sisters. I go to King's Matriculation School and am in L.K.G. I thank God for giving me such a wonderful place to live in. I would also like to thank my sponsor for supporting me.



**Solar Heater Donated by Students of VIT**



**Miss. Sujantha David at First Aid Class**



**Alresford Sponsors with their Sponsored Children**



**Cultural Program**



**Rev. Don Asman, USA with the Children**



**Rev. Phill Collins, UK with the children**

## FLASH NEWS

Mr. J.P. Peter has recently become our new Vice Chairman who is an incumbent of General Superintendent Position in CMC Hospital. We welcome Mr. Peter and look forward to have his contributions to the life and growth of MBKGP.

We would also like to thank Dr. R.Selvakumar, former Vice Chairman of MBKGP and also former General Superintendent of CMC Hospital for his service to MBKG Pannai.

We are very glad to inform all our sponsors and well-wishers that Miss. S. Persia Reena Kumari, the sponsorship coordinator of MBKGP has an opportunity to participate as volunteer in the Slumber Fall Camp in the USA. This opportunity is generously sponsored by Global Ministries, the USA. We are very grateful to the Global Ministries for providing this opportunity and we are highly confident that she will receive a wonderful and blessed experience volunteering at the camp and on her return with these experiences, she will add value to her job at the MBKGP. We ask you to uphold her and her family in your prayers.

## Please, partner us by

- Praying for the children in the home and school, our mothers and grand parents that they may be comforted and blessed and that we remain good stewards of all of God's Mercy, Grace, Care and love to all the precious lives that He has placed in our hands to care for and love.
- Sharing your love with the little children who love being carried and cuddled. So, please pay us a visit and spend time with our children.
- Sponsoring a child for a month, a quarter or a year (Approx-Rs.1350 per month or US \$30).
- Sponsoring a house mother or grandparents. Sponsoring a grand parent or a house mother for a month would be Rs.1350 /- or US\$ 30, which provides for food, shelter, clothing, medicine and recreation. This is an urgent need as many of our mothers and grandparents are not sponsored.
- Supporting our Endowment Fund for Higher Education. This fund goes towards funding our out of sponsorship children who are doing their professional course in different disciplines like Engineering, Physical Education, Para medical education etc.
- Sponsor a meal for all our children during your family functions, Anniversary, birthday, festivals and other special occasions [Cost: Breakfast-Rs.1500/-, Vegetarian meal-Rs.2500/- and Non-Vegetarian meal-Rs.4000/-]



YES ! I Want to keep the light of hope alive by;

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