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- ★ School will be closed from Friday, 07 April, 2017 & will be re-opened for students on Wednesday, 03 May, 2017
- ★ School will be re-opened for teachers on Tuesday, 02 May, 2017
- ★ Please note that parents will not be allowed to visit the school office on the last day of every term, as the staff will be busy with internal matters of the school.

#### UPCOMING CALENDAR MONTH OF APRIL - 2017

03 Apr.	Test Paper Corrections (Holiday for Gr. 11 & 12 students) Avurudu Celebrations - (Gr. 1 to 5)
04 Apr.	Paper Discussion - Gr. 1 to 12
05 Apr.	Paper Discussion - Gr. 1 to 12 Avurudu Celebrations - (Gr. 10 & 12)
06 Apr.	Finalising Marks & Reports (Gr. 1 to 12) (Holiday for Gr. 1 to 11 students) Issue of Reports to Gr. 12 (Camb.) students
07 Apr.	Avurudu Celebrations - (Gr. 6, 7, 8, 9 & 11) Issue of Reports School closes for students

#### HEALTH PAGE

Please note that it is not mandatory for all parents to complete Page 42 of the SRB.

#### Message from our Founder

**Mr. Mohan Lal Greero**



### The unbeatable power of perseverance

**T**hink of a world famous person who is very successful; someone from any field. The chances are that this person failed once, then twice and plenty more times before he actually hit the pot of gold, or in other words became world renowned.

For instance, what if the founder of Sony Corp, Akion Morita, gave up when his first product, a rice cooker, turned out to be unsuccessful? It didn't cook rice so much as it burned it! What if Bill Gates gave up after his failed attempts? What if Walt Disney had actually believed the editor who fired him from a newspaper company saying that he lacked imagination? And what if Albert Einstein believed his parents and teachers who thought he was mentally retarded, slow and anti social. The world would have lost so many great discoveries and inventions if these people had not persevered.

Has anyone ever told you "You must be either crazy or a genius"? That phrase may very well describe what a person who perseveres looks like. The person who perseveres usually goes against the current of what people think is possible or popular, they have odds stacked up against them, but they will push through and make their own waves in the sea of discovery.

Perseverance means keeping at it even when you've tried and tried and done all that you think you can. Perseverance is when you've reached your limit and you still keep going. Winston Churchill is a golden example of perseverance; he not only experienced failures during his school career, having failed sixth grade, but also lost several elections in his political career. It was only at the ripe old age of 62 that he was finally elected Prime Minister of Britain. Who inspires you? Who is your hero that failed many times but never gave up? Think about that person next time you feel like giving up and draw encouragement. Remember, the most important thing is to keep on trying.

Thank you!

Success is not achieved by one person but by a team that comes together as one.

### ISAC - 2017

The prestigious three day ISAC meet organized by Lyceum Nugegoda, successfully concluded recently at the Mahinda Rajapaksa Stadium, Diyagama with Lyceum Nugegoda coming 2nd runners up after achieving 774 points.

I am sincerely grateful to everyone who came together to make this event a success, with a special thanks going out to all the Lyceum Nugegoda staff, comprising of around 400 academic staff, office staff, security staff, support staff and drivers, who formed 25 teams in order to organize and coordinate this mega event.

I am also sincerely grateful to Mr. Palitha Jayatileka - Director General of the Meet and the Director of Sports for all Lyceum International Schools from Lyceum Gampaha, as well as Ms. Dilumini Guruge - Secretary of the Meet from Lyceum Panadura, for their guidance and support.

I also wish to thank all the prefects, scouts, cheering squad, athletes and all other students who contributed their valuable time, hard work and commitment towards the ISAC 2017 as well as the parents who supported their children to participate.

Also, a very big thank you goes out to the incredible officials from the Army Head Quarters, Panagoda, Police Department and Bomb Disposal Squad, Mattegoda for providing excellent coverage of security and ensuring the safety of all those present at the three day meet.

Thank you to everyone and well done all! Until we meet again at ISAC 2018.

Mrs. Kumari Grero (Chairperson - ISAC 2017)



### ENGLISH SINGING COMPETITION - 2017

The final round of the English Singing Competition was held on 21 February, 2017 at the New Aeolian. Following students were the winners;

#### JUNIOR CATEGORY-BOYS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Pawan Gulawita
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Vidul Pitigala
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Methuja Anthony

#### JUNIOR CATEGORY-GIRLS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Maheli Maggonage
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Menushi Jayasena
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sithuli Samaranayake

#### INTERMEDIATE CATEGORY-BOYS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Aneek Mubarak
- 1<sup>st</sup> - Dumidu Ranaweera
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Bevin Ranasinghe

#### INTERMEDIATE CATEGORY-GIRLS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Sathindie Tilakarathne
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sanathmi Jayasekara
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Senushi Jayasena

#### SENIOR CATEGORY-BOYS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Dinith Hathurusinghe
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ravindu Ranasinghe
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Isuru Ehelepola

#### SENIOR CATEGORY-GIRLS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Venessa Gregory
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Acme Munasinghe
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Theekshana Jayasuriya

### INTER HOUSE CHOIR COMPETITION - 2017

Inter House Choir Competition was held on 21 February, 2017 at Aeolian Hall.

- 1st Place - Cygnus
- 2nd Place - Cetus
- 3rd Place - Ursa

### AN APPEAL TO PARENTS

Parents are kindly requested to check your child's timetable daily and send only the relevant books for the day to avoid children carrying unnecessary weight in their bags. Carrying weight in excess increases physical stress, which eventually leads to fatigue and serious back problems.



The stage drama 'Nari Bena with Jasaya & Lenchina' will be performed for the students of Grades 2 to 12 on Tuesday, 04 April, 2017 from 9.00 a.m. onwards at the New Aeolian Hall. Tickets will be priced at Rs 350/- per head and can be purchased from Ms. Mali at the school office.

### SUSPENSION (GRADE 4 TO 12)

Students who continuously disturb during classes, will be given 2 days suspension by the Principal.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: TERM FEES

We regret to inform you that we will be withholding the Progress Reports of your child if you have not settled your child's outstanding term fees. You will also not gain access to your child's Progress Report in the Lyceum website.

In such cases, you may pay your child's outstanding fees and produce the deposit slip to the Accounts Department to obtain your child's Progress Report.

**NOTE : Students who have not paid their first term fees will have their studentship cancelled with immediate effect.**

## FROM A PAST LYCEUMER...

### And always wherever we are, your name, to appraise



Once again it gives me immense pleasure to pen a few words about Lyceum and of my school days, reminiscing on those nostalgic memories of past. It feels much more “at home” walking on this soil than it ever would at home, perhaps because a considerable amount of my childhood and teens was spent

here. Times where troubles were so little. The green walls would testify to the quality time I had within this institution. The education I acquired through Lyceum has helped me reach heights and take on challenges that I would only have dreamt of. This was because it meticulously taught us a range of life skills, social skills, discipline and empathy apart from academics.

Mr. and Mrs. Grero always lent their ears to our concerns with the affectionate demeanor that parents would to their children. Their humble and highly contagious smile at the front gate would help you go about the worst of days. Disputes were minimal as all the stakeholders were involved: The Student Body, Prefects' Guild, the Senior Management, the Academic and Support Staff, worked conscientiously to overcome difficulties. We held on to each other in times of tragedy and roared out L-Y-C-E-U-M with such enthusiasm and devotion at heart. Even when situations did escalate we would bite the bullet for the sake of our alma mater and the name we diligently built over the years.

I have been taught by many teachers, throughout my primary and secondary school, undergraduate and postgraduate levels. One thing I learnt through experience was that good teachers are hard to find and not everyone has what it takes to be a good one. Fortunately, many of the teachers I've come across at Lyceum since primary school had this rare trait. They were fueled by the passion to teach and were committed to bringing out the best in their students. Especially the A/L teachers, how they combined simple harmonic motion or photophosphorylation with life lessons and moral conduct, was absolutely genius. At the end of the day, students often bagged an 'A Star' simultaneously developing a brilliant civic consciousness. Your teachers deserve endless respect as they too are ready to mold you into fine ladies and gentlemen.

As Sri Lankans we inherit a complex and unique fabric of fine arts, music and customs that are renowned globally. Those of you planning on studying or living abroad, trust me on this, if you are incapable of exhibiting who you

are and where you come from to the world, your education would be pointless. If you do, you will win true applause and respect from them. Having studied in the United Kingdom for nearly four years, I was able to experience this first hand. Today, I can never thank Lyceum enough, not only for the brilliant education but also the opportunity to learn our culture, values and most importantly to be a Sri Lankan.

Lyceum is not really a single entity, but the combined efforts of many men and women who sacrificed and continue to sacrifice their time and energy to develop it to what it is today. You may very well exercise your freedom of speech to justify what you think is right or wrong, but exaggerating it on social media is not sensible as it would only add insult to injury. It is quite easy to jump onto bandwagons and go with the trend, but the real act of heroism lies in the ability to differentiate yourself, being unique and being true to your inner consciousness or “Knowing Thyself”. Think of how you can give back to the institution through which you achieved and will achieve so much, the institution that taught you the very English, logical thinking and reasoning skills that you use to assess the legitimacy of school rules.

For all the reasons above I am eternally grateful to Lyceum and always proud to be a Lyceumer! I sincerely hope that many generations continue to grow and blossom in the shade of this massive tree! And always wherever we are, Your name, to appraise!

- Jeewantha Wickremasinghe-

Please note that important notices are in every newsletter. Therefore, it is compulsory for every parent and student to read the newsletter.

### BIRTH CERTIFICATES

If the Sports Department requests the original birth certificate for sports activities, please submit a certified original from the AGA's office & do not give the original.

### LOOK SMART IN YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

If your child's uniform is shabby, please get him/her a new uniform. Please note that shabby uniforms bring disrepute to the school.



### LYCEUM CAPS

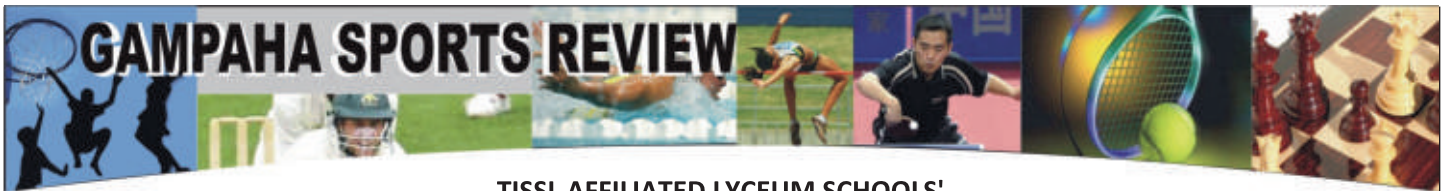
Please note that if any student needs to wear a cap with the school uniform, it should be a Lyceum cap. Also, unless it is raining, caps should not be worn inside the school premises.

## EXTRA CLASSES DURING APRIL VACATION, 2017

DATE	TEACHER	DURATION	SUBJECT	CLASS	VENUE
18 Apr.	Mr. Ravindra	08.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	ENV	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	11 L - Sc.
18 Apr.	Ms. Daleena	08.00 a.m. - 02.00 p.m.	Computing	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	11 Sc. Mat. / ICT Lab
18 Apr.	Mr. Hasitha	08.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	Maths	9 (National) - A & B	11 Sc. Bio.
19 Apr.	Mr. Ravindra	08.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	ENV	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	11 L - Sc.
19 Apr.	Ms. Piumi	12.00 noon - 03.00 p.m.	Business St.	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 L - Sc.
19 Apr.	Ms. Navoda	08.30 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Science	10 (National) - A & B	11 Sc.- Mat.
19 Apr.	Mr. Sandaruwan	08.00 a.m. - 02.00 p.m.	Maths	12 (Cambridge) - Science	11 Sc. - Bio.
20 Apr.	Mr. Hasaranga	08.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Maths	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	Confe. Hall
20 Apr.	Ms. Sagarika	08.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	ICT	10 (National) - A & B	ICT Lab - 1
20 Apr.	Ms. Oneshi	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Economics	12 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 L - Sc.
20 Apr.	Ms. Oneshi	12.00 noon - 04.00 p.m.	Economics	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 L - Sc.
21 Apr.	Mr. Hasaranga	08.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	Maths	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	Confe. Hall
21 Apr.	Mr. Sandaruwan	08.00 a.m. - 02.00 p.m.	Maths	12 (Cambridge) - Science	11 Sc.- Mat.
24 Apr.	Ms. Anusha	08.00 a.m. - 01.00 p.m.	English Lit.	10 Commerce	ICT Lab - 1
24 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	08.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Physics	12 (Science) - A	12 L - Sc.
24 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Physics	10 (Science) - A	12 L - Sc.
25 Apr.	Mr. Hasitha	08.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	Maths	9 (National) - A & B	11 L - Sc.
25 Apr.	Mr. Dinakara	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Accounting	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc.- Mat.
25 Apr.	Ms. Oneshi	12.30 p.m. - 04.30 p.m.	Economics	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc.- Mat.
25 Apr.	Ms. Oneshi	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Economics	12 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc. - Bio.
25 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	08.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Physics	12 (Science) - A	12 L - Sc.
25 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Physics	10 (Science) - A	12 L - Sc.
26 Apr.	Ms. Navoda	08.30 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Science	10 (National) - A & B	11 L - Sc.
26 Apr.	Mr. Dinakara	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Accounting	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc.- Mat.
26 Apr.	Ms. Piumi	12.30 p.m. - 03.00 p.m.	Business St.	10 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc.- Mat.
26 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	08.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	Physics	12 (Science) - A	11 Sc. - Bio.
26 Apr.	Mr. Ravi Deepali	10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Physics	10 (Science) - A	11 Sc. - Bio.
26 Apr.	Mr. Santhush	08.00 a.m. - 02.00 p.m.	Physics	10 (Science) - B	12 L - Sc.
27 Apr.	Ms. Anusha	08.00 a.m. - 01.00 p.m.	English Lit.	10 (Sc.) - A, B & Commerce	ICT Lab - 1
27 Apr.	Mr. Dinakara	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Accounting	12 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc.- Mat.
27 Apr.	Ms. Thilanka	08.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.	B.S & Acc.	10 (National) - A & B	11 Sc. - Bio.
27 Apr.	Ms. Thilanka	11.00 a.m. - 01.00 p.m.	B.S & Acc.	9 (National) - A & B	11 Sc. - Bio.
27 Apr.	Ms. Thilanka	01.30 p.m. - 03.30 p.m.	B.S & Acc.	9 (Cambridge) - Commerce	11 Sc. - Bio.
27 Apr.	Ms. Deepani	08.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon	Economics	12 (National) - Commerce	11 Com.
27 Apr.	Mr. Chaminda	12.00 noon - 04.00 p.m.	Accounting	12 (National) - Commerce	11 Com.

Students are kindly reminded that all school rules must be followed when they stay after school for extra classes or attend classes during holidays. The students attending such classes must observe the following requirements.

- **Should bring the SRB on the days of Holiday classes & show it at the security point.**
- **Should wear the school uniform when attending holiday classes (not the PE Kit).**
- **Wear the right shoes that go along with the school uniform.**
- **Students are not permitted to walk into school or classes with electronic equipments, Cameras, Cell Phones, CD's, Pen Drives, etc... Such items will be confiscated.**
- **Boys should come in a decent hair cut with no side burns & gel, should be clean shaven. Girls should come in neatly combed & plaited hair.**
- **Students should leave the school premises within fifteen minutes after the end of the session. They are not permitted to remain in the premises after that.**
- **Any student violating any of the above requirements will not be admitted to the class. They will be asked to leave.**
- **Parents are kindly requested to make arrangements to pick children as soon as the classes are over.**



### TISSL AFFILIATED LYCEUM SCHOOLS'

There are 25 International Schools affiliated with the International Schools of Sri Lanka (TISSL). 4 Lyceum Schools (Nugegoda, Panadura, Wattala and Ratnapura) are TISSL schools. Lyceum, Gampaha currently participates under Lyceum Ratnapura and all other schools (ie. Lyceum Nuwara-Eliya, Anuradhapura, Kandana and Kurunegala) may take part under any of the 4 Lyceum Schools affiliated with TISSL.

## ATHLETIC



### INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP (ISAC) - 2017

International School Athletic Championship was held on 25, 26 and 27 February, 2017 at Mahinda Rajapaksha Sports Complex, Diyagama. Winners of Lyceum International School - Gampaha.

Mithula Himanka	Under 09 - Boys	High Jump	0.99 m	3rd place (Bronze Medal)
Dithmi Wijesekara	Under 13 - Girls	High Jump	1.27 m	3rd place (Bronze Medal)
<b>Thimeth Kasthuriratne</b>	<b>Under 15 - Boys</b>	<b>Shot Put</b>	<b>10.38 m</b>	<b>1st place (Gold Medal)</b>
Imasha Gamage	Under 15 - Girls	Shot Put	7.93 m	2nd place (Silver Medal)
		Discus Throw	20.06 m	2nd place (Silver Medal)
Sandesh Perera	Under 19 - Boys	4 X 400 m Relay	3:35.80 sec	3rd place (Bronze Medal)
Navam Panditharathne	Under 19 - Boys	4 X 400 m Relay	3:35.80 sec	3rd place (Bronze Medal)
Dulya Gamage	Under 19 - Girls	Shot Put	7.41 m	3rd place (Bronze Medal)
<b>Rakitha Jayasinghe</b>	<b>Under 20 - Boys</b>	<b>Shot Put</b>	<b>9.64 m</b>	<b>1st place (Gold Medal)</b>
		<b>Discus Throw</b>	<b>25.22 m</b>	<b>1st place (Gold Medal)</b>

### GAMPAHA EDUCATIONAL CIRCUIT MEET - 2017

Gampaha Educational Circuit Meet was held on 07, 08 and 09 March, 2017 at Sri Bodhi Grounds, Gampaha.

NAME	EVENT	PLACE
Maxmillian Munasinghe	60 m	2nd
	Long Jump	1st
	4 X 50 m Relay	2nd
Vidura Phorambahewage	High Jump	1st
	4 X 50 m Relay	2nd
Sajith Liyanaarachchige	4 X 50 m Relay	2nd
Daham Bandara	4 X 50 m Relay	2nd
Pramuditha Wijesinghe	80 m	2nd
	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
	100 m	3rd
Thimesha Gamage	Long Jump	1st
	80m	1st
	100 m	1st
	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Agitha Wijesinghe	100 m	2nd
	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Sathnidu Damsara	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Sonal Wijyasinghe	High Jump	2nd
Thimeth Kasthurirathne	Discus Throw	3rd
Lakindu Adhikari	4 X 100 m Relay	2nd

NAME	EVENT	PLACE
Euka Dahanayake	4 X 100 m Relay	2nd
Rishan Manan	4 X 100 m Relay	2nd
Rusith Gamage	Shot Put	3rd
Nawam Panditharathne	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Daham Panditharathne	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
	Long Jump	2nd
	100 m	3rd
Sandesh Perera	Triple Jump	1st
	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Rashila Hapange	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Hijaz Ahamed	4 X 100 m Relay	1st
Rakitha Jayasinghe	Discus Throw	1st
Sanka Wijesinghe	Discus Throw	3rd
<b>GIRLS</b>		
Ravishi Alagiyawanna	High Jump	3rd
Imasha Gamage	Javelin Throw	1st
	Shot Put	2nd
	Discus Throw	2nd
Dulya Gamage	Shot Put	1st

# CRICKET



## INTER-INTERNATIONAL UNDER 13 CRICKET TOURNAMENT

The Match was played on 01 March, 2017 at Prison Grounds, Mahara. Lyceum Rathnapura won the toss and elected to bat first.

**Gateway College - Kandy - 83 for 7 (25 overs).**

Tishan - 5 for 14, Isul - 2 for 7.

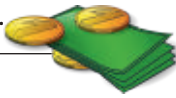
**Lyceum Rathnapura - 84 for 02 (14.2 overs).**

Kavitha - 45 (not out - LR), Raedh - 11 (not out - LR), Theneth - 07, Tishan - 03.

★ **Lyceum won the match by 8 wickets.**

## GIVING MONEY TO YOUR CHILDREN

Do not give more than Rs. 200/- to your kid to take to school as you may not know what he / she is spending it on. Also send changed money for canteen.



## PRE GRADE & GRADE 1 CDs

The CD with songs for the Pre Grade students and the model CD for the Oxford Reader - Grade 1 can be purchased at the School Office. (Price Rs. 100/-)



## READING BOOKS

From Grade 1 upwards please encourage your child to develop the habit of reading.

1. There are books with large letters and colourful pictures in bookshops where a small child's interest will be aroused.
2. Remember to read a bedtime story to your child everyday. This will also give you quality time with your child.
3. Build a mini library in your child's room with a small bookshelf with story books.
4. Please do not give your child a computer. This will kill their reading habit.



Reading will make your child knowledgeable, creative and make it very easy for him / her to learn any other subject.

## HOMEWORK (Gr. 1, Gr. 2 & Gr. 3)

Please note that any homework / incomplete school work sent home should be completed by the student; however it is **not compulsory**.



## LOSS OF SRB AND SHB

The loss of SRB is a serious matter, it must be reported to the class teacher, the same day or the very next working day. The parent / guardian must submit a written report giving full details of how the loss occurred, to the class teacher which in turn will be submitted to the Registrar. The parent will be liable for the cost of replacement which is Rs. 1,000/-. If the SHB is lost, a new copy can be obtained from the School Office at the cost of Rs. 200/-.

## ATTENDANCE / ABSENCE

Students should be absent only due to illness or family emergencies. The school should be informed in writing by the parent of the reason for such absence on the first day when the student reports back to school. This should be written in the Student's Record Book. If a child is sick and is absent for three consecutive days or more, a medical certificate should be submitted. There should be a written entry in the S.R.B. duly signed by parent / guardian, with the same signature provided as specimen on page 4 of the S.R.B.

A student who suffers from an infectious disease should keep away from school until the full contagious period is over and should submit a medical certificate by an accepted medical practitioner. The medical certificate should be handed over to the school nurse before the student can be permitted to attend class sessions.



THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING IN THIS WORLD IS TO SEE YOUR PARENTS SMILING AND KNOWING THAT YOU ARE THE REASON BEHIND THAT SMILE.

# NETBALL



## INTER HOUSE NETBALL TOURNAMENT - 2017

Inter House Netball Tournament was held on 09 March, 2017 at school grounds.

### 1ST PLACE - URSA

Theekshana Jayasuriya
Shenone Wijewardhana
Hansika Mannapperuma
Ransiluni Kandededara
Dasuni Wijesinghe
Linaru Wataraka
Himethma Munasinghe
Kithmi Rathnasena

### 2ND PLACE - CYGNUS

Lakni Jayakody
Shashini Pathiraja
Darani Wasala
Gihansa Malporu
Yayanga Jayakody
Benushi Rajapaksha
Thushini Kaushani
Sethmi Ovitigala
Prabodha Perera
Nethmi Sarah



- ★ **Best Player - Theekshana Jayasuriya (Ursa)**
- ★ **Best Center Court Player - Shenone Wijewardhana (Ursa)**
- ★ **Best Shooter - Benushi Rajapaksha (Cygnus)**
- ★ **Best Defensive Player - Darani Wasala (Cygnus)**