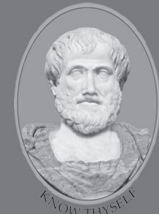


# Lyceum Newsletter

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

15 <sup>th</sup> September	Grade 1 & New Admissions Grade 2 to 12 Meeting with parents
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Inter House General Knowledge Quiz Competition Senior
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting with Parents Grade 12
18 <sup>th</sup> September	Seminar - PG
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Inter House General Knowledge Quiz Competition Junior
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Holiday - Hadji Festival Day
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Seminar - Grade 1 Inter House Athletic Meet Senior Field Events
26 <sup>th</sup> September	Maathra 8 - 1 <sup>st</sup> Rehearsal
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Holiday - Binara Poya
28 <sup>th</sup> September	Monthly Test Grade 10X
29 <sup>th</sup> September	Monthly Test Grade 10, 10X
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Monthly Test Grade 10, 10X, 12
01 <sup>st</sup> October	Singing Competition Sinhala Junior Semi Finals
02 <sup>nd</sup> October	Seminar - Nursery Maathra 8 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rehearsal
06 <sup>th</sup> October	Meeting with parents - Grade 9
07 <sup>th</sup> October	Singing Competition Sinhala Senior Semi Finals
09 <sup>th</sup> October	Maathra 8 - Final Rehearsal
10 <sup>th</sup> October	Maathra 8

**Monthly test for 10N has been cancelled.**

## ISAC 2016

Lyceum Nugegoda will be hosting the Inter International Schools Athletic Championship 2016 in February 2016 where athletes from 24 International Schools will take part. If any parents would like to give us sponsorship it will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mr. Daya Liyanage on Tel. No. 0112822387 and email: [sponsors.isac@lyceum.lk](mailto:sponsors.isac@lyceum.lk)

## Message from our Founder Mr. Mohan Lal Grero

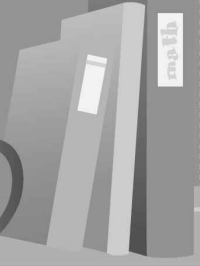


One day a lecturer was speaking to a group of students and used an illustration those students will never forget. He brought a one-gallon bucket and set it on the table in front of the class. Then he produced about a dozen fist-sized rocks and carefully placed them, one at a time, in the bucket. When it was filled to the top and no more rocks would fit inside, he asked, "Is this bucket full?" Everyone in the class said, "Yes." Then he said, "Really?" He reached under the table and pulled out a bag of gravel. Then he dumped some gravel in and shook the bucket causing pieces of gravel to work themselves down into the space between the big rocks. Then he asked the group once more, "Is the bucket full?" By this time the class was on to him. "Probably not," one of them answered. "Good!" he replied. He reached under the table and brought out a bag of sand. He started dumping the sand in the bucket and it went into all of the spaces left between the rock and the gravel. Once more he asked the question, "Is this bucket full?" "No!" the class shouted. Once again he said, "Good." Then he grabbed a pitcher of water and began to pour it in until the bucket was filled to the brim. Then he looked at the class and asked, "What is the point of this illustration? The truth this illustration teaches us is: If you don't put the big rocks in first, you'll never get them in at all" he said. What are the 'big rocks' in your life? Time with your loved ones? Your faith? Your education? Your dreams? A worthy cause? Teaching or mentoring others? Remember to put these BIG ROCKS in first or you'll never get them in at all. So tonight, or in the morning, when you are reflecting on this short story, ask yourself this question: What are the 'big rocks' in my life? Then, start putting them in your jar of life before it's too late.

"Knowledge is a treasure but practice is the key to it."



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## PLEASE HELP THIVINDU

In 2014, the Lyceum Nugegoda community collected approximately 5 million rupees to help our student Thivindu Udesinghe during his bone marrow transplant for Leukemia treatment. He is presently studying in the Grade 10 National Class.

He and his family are forever grateful for your kindness and generosity. His doctors have informed him that he needs periodical treatment for 3 years in India. The estimated cost per year is one million rupees.

We would therefore like to request that you extend your support to help save Thivindu's life by way of donations. Please contact Mrs. Prasangika Udesinghe on 0775540693 or deposit your donations to the following account:

**Bank : BOC - Pelawatte, Account No.: 70314790, Account Name: R.A.C. Prasangika**

## SEPARATION OF BOYS AND GIRLS IN GRADE 6

This is to inform you that we have separated the boys and girls into separate classes as a pilot project. We will be comparing this grade with the Grade 6 classes of last year on all aspects such as exam marks, disciplinary problems, satisfaction and freedom in studying and learning to see if there is a benefit to the students. For any further clarification, please feel free to contact Ms. Marie in office and obtain an appointment to meet Mrs. Gero.

## GRADE 3 CLASSES

Due to the limited number of classrooms at Nugegoda we have been compelled to have 2 classes of Grade 3 at Kohuwala. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.

If any parent would like to transfer to Grade 3 at Kohuwala, please inform the registrar on 0112822387 immediately. Please note that transfers from Kohuwala to Nugegoda is not possible unless there is a transfer from Nugegoda to Kohuwala. Thank you.

## ALL EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please note that all the achievements of extra curricular activities will be sent to you at the end of term in the form of a Sports Booklet.

## EXERCISE BOOKS

Please do not cover the exercise books.



Please see that your child brings the books according to the time table from Grade 1 up.

## GRADES 4 TO 8 SINHALA AND TAMIL READERS

The Sinhala and Tamil readers which we have asked you to buy is for the students home. Please encourage your child to read these books. This will give them an insight to the writings of famous authors in the past.



## PARENT INFORMATION BOOKLET / SRB / SHB 1 / SHB 2

*Dear Parents,*

Please check if you have received the Parents Information Booklet (PIB), Student's Hand Book 1 (Grades 1 and all new students from Grade 2 to 12), Student's Record Book (Nursery & Pre Grade), Student's Record Book (Grades 1 to 12) and Student's Hand Book 2 during the orientation (held in September 2015). New admissions are requested to obtain their copies from the respective Class Teacher / Registrar.



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## P. T. KIT

Grades 11 and 12 boys are allowed to wear the P.T. Kit on the day that they have Kandyan Dancing.

## LATE TO SCHOOL OR FORGETS SRB

Grades 6 to 12 students who get late to school or forget to bring their SRB, will be given morning detention with effect from October 2015.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT IMPORTANT NOTICES ARE IN EVERY NEWSLETTER. THEREFORE, IT IS COMPULSORY FOR EVERY PARENT AND STUDENT TO READ THE NEWSLETTER.**

## HOMEWORK RECORD BOOK

It is recommended for students of Grades 4 to 7 to have a 40 page single ruled book to note down homework given.

DATE H/W GIVEN	SUBJECT	DATE DUE	SIGNATURE OF PARENT

## RELIGIOUS SCHEDULE

DATE	RELIGION	GRADE	VENUE
24.09.2015	RC Non RC	9 / 10 / 11/ 12 9 / 10 / 11 / 12	Conference Hall 1 Aeolian Hall
27.09.2015	Buddhism Islam Hinduism	9 & 10 9 / 10 / 11/ 12 9 / 10 / 11 / 12	Aeolian Hall Bellerophon Hall Conference Hall 1
27.10.2015	Buddhism RC Non RC Islam Hinduism	11 & 12 6, 7, 8 6, 7, 8 6, 7, 8 6, 7, 8	Aeolian Hall Conference Hall 1 Conference Hall 1 Bellerophon Hall KD Hall
25.11.2015	Buddhism RC Non RC Islam	5 / 6 / 7 / 8 3, 4, 5 3, 4, 5 3, 4, 5	5 & 6 - Bell Hall / 7 & 8 - Aeolian Hall Conference Hall 1 Conference Hall 1 KD Hall
23.01.2016	Buddhism Hinduism	3 & 4 3, 4, 5	3 - Aeolian Hall / 4 - Bell Hall Conference Hall 1
22.02.2016	Buddhism RC Non RC Islam Hinduism	1 & 2 1 & 2 1 & 2 1 & 2 1 & 2	1 - Aeolian Hall / 2 - Bell Hall Conference Hall 1 Conference Hall 1 KD Hall Junior Computer Lab



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## UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

Please note that the term 'unexcused absence' does not mean that the child will be given a punishment but only that the child will have a mark deducted from the attendance

marks in the Semester report. If a child is sick, for one day a month, an excused absence will be given. For additional number of days, only if a medical certificate is submitted that an excused absence will be given and the child will not lose marks.

## PLEASE HELP TO EASE TRAFFIC CONGESTION NEAR SCHOOL ENTRANCE / GATE

Traffic Rules at School gate.

- \* Have the bag and bottle ready in hand.
- \* Bid goodbyes with parents at home.
- \* The child to sit on left side of the car (to get down fast).
- \* Stop the car in the designated area and not in front of the gate, as this will further congest the traffic.

## 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.

## 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 the student reports back to school after such absence. 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 submit a medical certificate from an accepted medical practitioner. The medical certificate should be handed over to the school nurse (Nugegoda, Wattala, Panadura, Ratnapura and Gampaha Schools) / School Secretary (Kandana, Kohuwela, Nuwara Eliya and Anuradhapura Schools) before the student can be permitted to attend class sessions.

Contagious periods for infectious diseases are as follows:

- Mumps : 14 days and until the swelling has gone down.
- Chicken pox : 14 days and until the skin is clear.
- Sore eyes : 5 days, longer if eyes are still not clear.
- Viral Fever : Until no fever, cold or cough.
- Measles : 10 days.

Please note that Ms. Buddhika Pathiraja - Deputy Coordinating Principal, will be resigning with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015. We wish her all the very best in her future endeavours.



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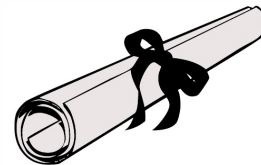
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## SCHOOL PRIZE GIVING (GRADES 6 TO 12)

The School Prize Giving will be held at the Aeolian Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015 for Grades 9 to 12 and on 09<sup>th</sup> November 2015 for Grades 6 to 8. Donations are welcome. The donations will be utilized for the prizes.

The Prize List will be available with Ms. Hemamali at the Administration Office. When you hand in your contribution, please obtain an acknowledgment receipt. The last day for accepting your donations will be 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Only cash payments will be accepted. We look forward to your support and cooperation. Please note that the donors names will be printed in the Prize Giving souvenir and also read out at the Prize Giving.



## CHECKLIST FOR PARENTS TO BE MORE ORGANISED IN THE NEW TERM

Check the following before your child leaves for school everyday.

- \* Hair should be neatly combed. Hair below shoulder level of girls should be plaited. Up to Grade 8 - 2 plaits. Grade 9 to 12 - one plait. Boys hair should be combed with a side part.
- \* Collar should be straightened.
- \* Belt of the girls' uniform should not sag and both ends must be secured.
- \* Grey socks should be worn to cover 4 inches from the shoe level.
- \* Black shoes should be clean and polished. Fancy shoes should not be worn. Black tennis shoes as recommended.
- \* Girl's uniform length should cover the knee and boys trousers should be worn above the hip level (just below the waist). Boys in Grade 6 and above should wear a black belt with a very simple buckle.

## DOCUMENTS FROM SCHOOL

If you need any document from the school regarding any matter, a minimum of one week's notice should be given to the school.

If a student comes after one year (after leaving school) to get a document/to collect a lost document, please note that the school will not be able to provide it.

## JEWELLERY

Silver chains / black cords / jewellery worn around the neck for various religious reasons should not be worn to school. Students will be asked to remove them if noticed.

## NO TUITION, NO INTERNET, LESS T.V.

We kindly advise you not to send your child for tuition. From Grade 1 to Grade 8 after school assistance for English and Maths will be provided free of charge. After school classes for O/L and A/L will also be provided on request. During the final year, the classes will be free of charge, but a fee will be charged for the crash course. Please do not provide Internet or allow your child to watch too much T.V. Give your child enough time and opportunity to play.

## FOOT INJURIES

If your child has a foot injury and cannot wear shoes, please note that only black sandals or slippers are allowed.





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## RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Please note that it is compulsory for all students of Grades 1 to 10 to attend religious schools.

## O/L & A/L EXAMINATIONS

Please remember to have your National Identity Card / Passport (which should be valid as at July 2016) and exam fees ready for Cambridge / National OL / AL exams. (Please note that the Postal ID is accepted only for the O/L exam).

## MEDITATION PROGRAMME AT SIRI DHARMARAMAYA (NEAR THE PETROL SHED - NUGEGODA JUNCTION) VEN. UDUWE DHAMMALOKA THERO

20<sup>th</sup> September 2015 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.  
03<sup>rd</sup> October 2015 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.  
17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.  
31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

*Parents and students are welcome.*

## PLEASE PAY YOUR SCHOOL FEES ON TIME.



## HOUSE T-SHIRTS

XXS - Rs. 280/-, XS - Rs. 300/-, S - Rs. 330/-, M - Rs. 340/-, L - Rs. 350/-, XL - Rs. 430/-, XXL - Rs. 460/-, XXXXL - Rs. 460/-

## NURSERY AND PRE GRADE STUDENTS

Please ensure that your child wears shoes and not slippers to school.



## SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER MONTHLY TESTS

10 National Monthly Test will not be held due to the new text book and syllabi not being available yet from the National Institute of Education. All other monthly tests will be held as scheduled.



## Dear Parents,

Please update your contact numbers and addresses with the registrar (if there are any changes) in writing. As sometimes we cannot contact you in emergencies.

LYCEUM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL PRESENTS

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10<sup>th</sup> October 2015 @ 05.58 pm @

**Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall**  
Buddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 07.

Be in your seat by 05:30 pm - Dress Code: Smart Casual

Tickets Rs: 3000/= Ground floor, Rs: 2000/= Balcony



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Box Plan opens on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015. Tickets are available in the office with Ms. Marie at Rs. 3000/- (Ground Floor) and Rs. 2000/- (Balcony) from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015. Participants will get a discount of Rs. 500/- for one ticket only.