



The Lyceumer

NUGEGODA (LN-276)
SEPTEMBER 2018

Welcome
BACK TO SCHOOL!

GRADE 10 & 12 STUDENTS

Please have the following documents ready for your O.L. & A.L. Examinations.

- * **National O.L. and Cambridge O.L. students :**
National Identity Card / Postal Identity Card / Passport
- * **National and Cambridge A.L. students :**
National ID / Passport

Please ensure that the passports are valid until the end of December 2019, ie. one month after the scheduled exam date.

CLAIMING REFUNDABLE DEPOSITS AT THE TIME OF WITHDRAWAL

Parents are kindly requested to safely keep the receipt obtained from the refundable deposit payment at the time of admission, in order to claim it at the time your child withdraws from school. Please note that if this receipt is not available to be produced, the school will not be able to make the refund.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING EXAMS (GRADES 6 TO 12)

Please note that from this academic year, 80% attendance is compulsory to sit for the First Exam / Second Exam / Semester Exams.

If attendance is less than 80% due to a medical reason, a valid Medical Certificate has to be produced.

The above will be strictly implemented this year.

NEW REPORT CARDS

From September 2018, please note that report cards will be issued to students from Nursery to Grade 12. Please keep this report card carefully as hereafter you will have to use the same report card from Nursery to Pre Grade, Grades 1 to 5 and Grades 6 to 12. (ie. Only 3 report cards will be issued during the student's school career)

From September 2019, students will need to hand over the old report card to the new class teacher at the beginning of each new academic year so that a fresh transcript can be pasted on it. If a report has been misplaced, parents/guardians will need to provide a letter requesting for a new report card, along with Rs. 100/- to obtain a new one.

WORDS OF WISDOM

FROM OUR FOUNDER, DR. MOHAN LAL GRERO



During a visit to the NASA space center in 1962, President John F. Kennedy noticed a janitor carrying a broom. He interrupted his tour, walked over to the man and said, "Hi, I'm Jack Kennedy. What are you doing?"

"Well, Mr. President," the janitor responded, "I'm helping to put a man on the moon."

To most people, a NASA janitor was just cleaning the building. But in the more mythic, larger story unfolding around him, he was helping to make history.

Here's the point: no matter how large or small your role is, you are contributing to the larger story unfolding within your life, and when those around you embrace that type of attitude and belief system, incredible things happen.

So the next time you are asked to play a small role in a school play, or be the water boy of the cricket team, don't shy away from it. Take every opportunity that comes your way, and put your heart and soul into it. If you are the water boy, strive to be the best water boy your team has ever had. For when we are faithful in the little things, we can be entrusted with the big things later on in our lives.

GRADE 1 TEXT BOOKS FOR EDUCATION IN HUMAN VALUES (EHV)

We are pleased to introduce a new set of EHV books for our Grade 1 students this year, which include beautifully written stories by Ms. Sybil Wettasinghe and lovely illustrations by our very own teachers and staff members. Ms. Wettasinghe is a Sri Lankan veteran children's book writer and illustrator with books that have won international acclaim. We hope both you and your child will enjoy reading the wonderful stories in these EHV books and together, learn about the various types of human values and identify the important human value highlighted in each of these stories.

GENERAL STUDIES PAPER

(Read the newsletter and earn marks)

The content appearing in the Monthly Newsletters from September 2018 to March 2019 will be tested in the First Exam / Second Exam / First Semester Exam. The content appearing in the Monthly Newsletters from April to June will be tested in the June/July Second Semester Exam. The marks obtained from these questions will be added to the total marks in the Report.

Vision

To produce global citizens who will reshape the future of their motherland.

Mission

To enhance the potential of every young soul that passes through our halls, empowering them to be the best they can be.

SCHOOL DROP OFF RULES

In order to ease traffic congestion near the school entrances / gates, we kindly encourage all parents to see to the following before dropping your child at school:

- Ensure that your child hugs/kisses/worships you at home before getting into the vehicle.
- Make your child sit on the left side of the vehicle, from where he/she will be getting down.
- Just before arriving at the drop off point, ensure that your child 1) has his/her bag and bottle ready in hand 2) removes seat belt 3) unlocks the door of the vehicle

For drop offs at Gate 1 on Raymond Road, please ensure that the vehicle proceeds past the main gate towards the upcoming T-Junction and stops at the next available space / designated area. ****Avoid stopping the vehicle right in front of the gate if there is room to move forward and stop.***

For students in Grades 6 - 12, we kindly request parents to allow your child to walk to school if you reside close by OR drop him/her a little further away from the school entrance, so that he/she only has a short distance to walk to school.

Your kind cooperation and assistance in this regard will help ease traffic congestion and make your morning drop offs more manageable.

SCHOOL SRB AND TERM FEE PAYMENTS

Parents are kindly requested to complete all information required in your child's SRB which also includes the receipt to confirm payment of the school fees for each term. All Class Teachers have also been advised to go through the SRBs of all students and contact parents who have failed to complete this task.

As per **point 1** under the '**Declaration of School Rules**', which all parents have signed and agreed to in writing, to **pay the (non-refundable) term fees required for all terms at least a week before the commencement of each term, until the child is officially withdrawn from school, regardless of attendance and note that late payment will incur a surcharge.** **Note: this surcharge is implemented only after the lapse of one month, therefore please kindly ensure to pay the term fees as soon as possible if you have not already done so.*

We appreciate all those parents who pay the term fees regularly and on time. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

CONTENT FOR GENERAL STUDIES

Colonel Henry Steel Olcott was born in America in 1832. He and his wife came to Sri Lanka in 1880 and had a strong interest in Buddhism. During his time in Sri Lanka, he revived Buddhism in the country by building over 200 schools, most notably Ananda College, Nalanda College, Dharmaraja College, Mahinda College, Musaeus College and Maliyadeva College.

Colonel Olcott also jointly designed the Buddhist flag in 1880 (but was first used on Vesak Day, 1885) along with Mr. J. R. De Silva and became known to all Sri Lankans as the father of the Buddhist Education Movement.

IMPORTANT NOTICES FOR PARENTS

- The **School Record Book (SRB)** contains important information about your child and serves as his/her formal identification at school, therefore it is important to **complete all information in the SRB and ensure that your child brings it to school every day and show it at the gate.** It also serves as a method of communication between you and your child's teachers.
- The **Student's Hand Book (SHB) 1** is issued at the time your child joins the school and contains all the rules and regulations of the school as well as corrective actions, therefore, please take a moment to go through this book thoroughly.
- The **Student's Handbook (SHB) 2**, which is issued every year to Grade 1 - 12 students, contains the **school calendar with important event dates** as well as the **examinations timetable, book lists**, etc. The **Nursery and Pre-Grade SRB** also contains the annual calendar with some rules as well.
- The **School Newsletter (The Lyceumer)** is usually issued every month and contains various school notices, procedure updates, articles related to our students achievements as well as a summary of upcoming events. Sudden date changes to events, due to unavoidable circumstances will also be notified either in the newsletter or via a separate notice sent through the SRB.
- The **Parent Information Booklet** is issued on the Orientation Day by the Class Teacher and contains the summarised syllabi and schemes for the academic year.
- **Ensure that your child follows the school's dress code - stated in the SHB 1.** (Note: Only **Lyceum caps** can be worn with the uniform for outdoor events; however they must be removed upon entering the school premises. Other caps worn will be confiscated.)
- **Clearly Label all your child's belongings** (i.e. school bags, stationary, uniforms, shoes, clothes, bottles, etc.), so that it can be claimed back if misplaced. If your child loses/misplaces an item, please check the 'lost and found cupboard' located near gate 1, the very next day.
- Ensure to **pick your child on time after school** / after an after-school activity/event.
- **Avoid sending medicine to school** as teachers are not authorized to administer any medicine. Instead it is best for your child to stay at home if he/she is not well.
- **Do not send money in your child's school bag** (i.e. for van fees, trip costs, etc.) as the teachers will not be held responsible for money that is misplaced. Instead, please insert the money in your child's SRB and write a note to the teacher to inform this.
- **Parent Information Booklet** : The above will be given to you on the Orientation day. This booklet has the summarised syllabi and schemes for the year.



Congratulations

**INTER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
UNDER 19 CRICKET TOURNAMENT 2018**

Organised by Gateway College - Colombo

Position : Champions



ACHIEVEMENTS



Lasal Jayawardena of Lyceum – Nugegoda, 11ScB, managed to secure 2 Gold Medals and a Bronze Medal at the “14th Asian Schools Chess championship” held at Citrus Hotel Waskaduwa from 07-07-2018 to 15-07-2018. As per the information available,

This is the highest number of medals won

by a student of any Lyceum school, in a single international event.

** This year Lasal reached an international rating of **FIDE 1900**, the highest ever international rating a Lyceum student has ever reached in its History. ** This is the 2nd highest international rating achieved by a student in any international school in Sri Lanka. ** He managed to earn a position in the National B squad, **becoming the only student from any international school to achieve this goal in 2018.** ** Lasal became the National champion of U-17 – Schools in 2018. We are extremely proud of Lasal and wish him all the best to keep moving forward and bringing glory to his Alma mater and to his motherland !!

CONTENT FOR GENERAL STUDIES

○ **Dr. T. B. Jayah** was born in 1980. He was an Educationist, State Councillor, Member of Parliament, Minister of State and Ambassador to Pakistan. As a State Councillor in 1944, he spoke for three hours on the Soulbury Report and the White Paper of the United Kingdom Government, to pave the way for full independence. When Ceylon gained independence in 1948, he was appointed as a Cabinet Minister of the D. S. Senanayake, Government, and became the first Muslim to hold such a coveted position. Dr. T. B. Jayah is considered a National Hero.

**LYCEUM SWIMMING POOL
TIMES FOR OUTSIDERS**

We are pleased to inform you that our Swimming Pool will be open to outsiders from September 2018 as follows:

Weekdays: 6:00 p.m - 8.30 p.m.

Weekends: after 11:30 a.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Closed: 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. daily and on Poya days.

Membership Fees are as follows:

- Rs. 8,000 - per annum
- Rs. 3,000 - temporary membership for 4 months
- Rs. 100 per hour for Guest Swimmers / Non-members

Names of Participants:

Senindu Bandara	10 Nat A	Best Batsman
Dimuthu Dissanayake	10 Nat C	
Naveen Pahasara	10 Nat C	
Upeka Mendis	10 Nat C	
Yasiru De Silva	10 Nat C	
Gamitha Pawan	Pre A/L Sc B	
Nisal Hettiarachchi	Pre A/L Nat Co A	
Nipuna Hettiarachchi	Pre A/L Nat Co A	
Sadushka Senarath	Pre A/L GSA	
Senura Hansaja	11 Co A	
Vihanga Abepitiya	12 Sc B	
Pasindu Rajapaksha	12 Nat Co B	Best Fielder
Kavinda Rajarathna	12 Nat Co B	Man of the Match
Tharinda Rajarathna	12 Nat Co B	
Chalindu Liyanage	12 Nat Co B	

**THE VIJITHA WEERASINGHE MEMORIAL
CHALLENGE SHIELD
DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIP 2018**

Students of Lyceum International School, Nugegoda emerged **Champions** at The Vijitha Weerasinghe Memorial Challenge Shield Debating Championship, after facing the defending tournament champions - Ananda College, Colombo. The tournament was organized by Royal College, Colombo and was held from the 6th to the 8th of July 2018.



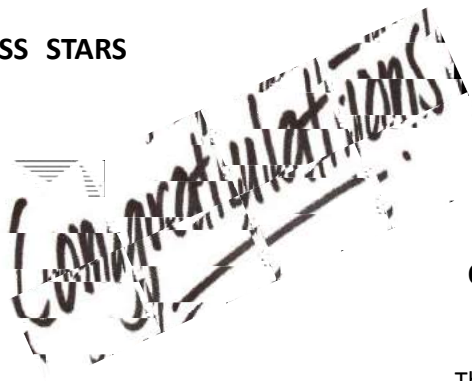
Names of Participants:

Kavishka Amarasekera	8A	Champion
Atheek Azmi	Pre A/L Sc D	
Gavyn Marshall	Pre A/L Sc C	
Dhanuja Jayasinghe	11 Sc C	

Selected for Semi Finals

Ravindu Wijesinghe	12 Sc D
Ovindu Randunu	Pre A/L Sc D
Minduli Withana	12 Sc D
Sahiru Randunu	9 Sc B

LYCEUM CHESS STARS



Lisara Kodithuwakku - 8F

NATIONAL JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP COLOMBO QUALIFYING 2018

Organised by
The Chess Federation of
Sri Lanka

Thisaga Hewawasam - 6B
2nd Runner Up



The 14th Asian Schools Chess Championship began on the 8th of July 2018 at the Citrus Hotel, Waskaduwa with a total participation of 454 players representing 16 countries. The event was held as a 7 rounds swish system with 15 minutes + 10 seconds time control. Players representing Sri Lanka grabbed 2 gold medals, 2 silver medals and a bronze medal while 6 players were students that we are proud to say are from Lyceum International School, Nugegoda.

Lisara Kodithuwakku of Grade 8F secured 3rd place in the under 13 open classic event and also received a gold country medal. Lasal Jayawardena of 11 Science B was also able to bring pride to his alma mater by securing 3rd place in the under 17 open blitz event. He too received a gold country medal. Thisaga Hewawasam of 6B, Sayuni Weerasiri of 8H, Isum Weerasinghe of 9 National B, Thalaal Naushad of 11 Science A were also proud Lyceumers who represented their country at the championship.

The achievement of our young Lyceumers and most distinguished chess players representing our country were responsible in bringing pride to Sri Lanka, by becoming **overall champions** at this prestigious International level chess tournament. We are extremely proud of you all and wish you continued success.

ONE DISH MEAL COOKOUT

Lyceum International School **Little Friends** organized a 'One Dish Meal Cookout' with popular chef Ms. Chathurika Anuradha on 6th August 2018 at the main school hall. The Little Friends from St. Paul's Balika Vidyalaya, Milagiriya, Girl Guides from Visakha Vidyalaya, Colombo 4, Lyceum Nugegoda Rangers and Girl Guides from Premier's Own Guide Company participated in this event.

The chief guest at this occasion was Dato' Jayadhevi Subramaniam, Chief Commissioner of the Girl Guides Association Malaysia (GGAM). The Lyceum International School-Nugegoda Principal, members of the management and Ms. Srma Perera, Assistant Chief Commissioner-Sri Lanka Girl Guides Association were among the invited guests.



THE SENIOR CADET PLATOON

FIRST EVER CADET PLATOON OF LYCEUM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL NUGEGODA, GLORIOUSLY CONCLUDING THEIR FIRST EVER ASSESSMENT CAMP AT RANTAMBE.



NATIONAL CADET CORPS
ANNUAL ASSESSMENT CAMP ARMY WING BOYS - DETAIL - X - 2018
LYCEUM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
19TH BATTALION



The **senior cadet platoon** of Lyceum International School, Nugegoda took part in the Rantambe Cadet Training Camp 2018 recently and proved their excellence. Being the first ever cadet platoon established in an International School in Sri Lanka, they were able to showcase their capabilities in weapon training, challenging fitness exercises, drill displays and in many more activities.

The camp of 09 days concluded with a ceremonial passing out including a magnificent parade of cadets. Mr. S. G. Wijayabandu, the Western Provincial Secretary for the ministries of Education, Art & Cultural Affairs, Sports, Youth Affairs & Information, graced the occasion. Principals of the respective schools, Officials of armed forces and parents were also present at this event.

INTERNATIONAL FAME FOR OUR EASTERN BAND



Yet another victory on a global scale made by Lyceum International School, Nugegoda who achieved the **Silver Award** at the "International Youth Marching Band Competition 2018". They also won the award for the "Best Costume" at this International Competition, held on the 03rd and 04th of August in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. 14 youth Bands from several Asian Countries including Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and Sri Lanka performed at the competition. All bands used traditional instruments and their performance was highlighted at this competition.