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# LYCEUM NEWS RATNAPURA

MESSAGE FROM  
OUR FOUNDER  
**MR. MOHAN LAL GRERO**



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

### ACTIVITIES IN DECEMBER 2015

- 01<sup>st</sup> Dec. Test paper correction - Grade 9-12 (Holiday for Grade 10 & 12 students only)
- 02<sup>nd</sup> Dec. Test paper correction - Grade 9-12 (Holiday for Grade 10 & 12 students only)  
Christmas Carols (Nursery & Pre Grade)
- 03<sup>rd</sup> Dec. Paper discussion - Grade 10 & 12
- 04<sup>th</sup> Dec. Paper discussion - Grade 10 & 12
- 07<sup>th</sup> Dec. Paper discussion - Grade 10 & 12  
Christmas Carols (Grades 1-12)
- 08<sup>th</sup> Dec. Finalizing marks and reports Grades 10 & 12 (Holiday for Grades 10 & 12 students)
- 09<sup>th</sup> Dec. School closes for students
- 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Issue of reports - Grades 10 & 12 (to parents)  
Parent Teacher Day 1 - Nur to Gr. 12 (A-L)  
(School holiday for students)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. Issue of reports - Grades 10 & 12 (to parents)  
Parent Teacher Day 2 - Nur to Gr. 12 (M-Z)  
(School holiday for students)

### ପ୍ରଭାବ-୫ Annual Concert of Grades 6-12

The Annual Concert of Gr. 6-12, "Prabhawa-5" was successfully staged on 11th November 2015 in the Aeolian Hall. The commitment of the teachers & parents blending with the splendid performance by the students made this event a great success. This was an excellent opportunity for parents to see the talents of their children. Our sincere thanks go to the teachers & students, for the job well done.

Michael Jordan: Most people wouldn't believe that a man often lauded as the best basketball player of all time was actually rejected from his high school basketball team. Luckily, Jordan didn't let this setback stop him from playing the game. He said, "I have missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I have lost almost 300 games. On 26 occasions I have been entrusted to take the game winning shot, and I missed. I have failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

Ask yourself whether you are the kind of person who gives up easily, who throws in the towel at the first sign of adversity, or who quits because you failed a few times.

Well, Henry Ford, who is known for his innovative assembly line and American-made cars, wasn't an instant success either. In fact, his early businesses failed and left him broke five times before he founded the successful Ford Motor Company. While today Stephen Spielberg's name is synonymous with big budget movies, he was rejected from the University of Southern California School of Theater, Film and Television three times.

He eventually attended school at another location, only to drop out to become a director before finishing. Thirty-five years after starting his degree, Spielberg returned to school in 2002 to finally complete his work and earn his BA.

Many successful people didn't succeed the first time. In fact, they didn't succeed the second time or the third. So when you feel like giving up, just give it another go. And another. And another. The more you do it, the better practice you get. Better practice leads to improvement, which leads to perfection!

Let me end with these words by Mary Anne Radmacher – "Courage doesn't always roar, sometimes it's the quiet voice at the end of the day whispering 'I will try again tomorrow'"



# GRADE 12 GRADUATION NIGHT

## SINHALA BEST SPEAKER CONTEST 2015/16

**Date** : 17th November 2015  
**Time** : 2.30 p.m.  
**Venue** : Aeolian Hall



The Graduation Night of the 2014/15 post A/L batch of school leavers (Nat & Cam) was held at "Silver Ray, Ratnapura" on 28th October 2015.

Hosted by the students, the programme consisted of teacher felicitations, a variety entertainment by the students, addresses, giving away of the Graduation Certificates and a grand dinner followed by singing and dancing.

Gracing this occasion as a special guest, was Mr. Nikitha Grero, Director of Lyceum network of International Schools.

The management of Lyceum Ratnapura and about 30 teachers were there to share the sentiments of this occasion.

Lyceum management and the teachers wish them GOOD LUCK in all their future endeavours.



### INTER-LYCEUM ART COMPETITION

*(Organized by Lyceum Wattala)*

*13th September 2015 @ J.D.A. Perera Art Gallery, Colombo*

### WINNERS OF LYCEUM RATNAPURA

Dimath Methnila Vithana (Gr. 1)	-	1st Place
Januli Akeesha (Gr. 2)	-	1st Place
Kenneth Nehemiah (Gr. 2)	-	Merit
Dulathmi Hettige (Gr. 3)	-	3rd Place
Sulakshana Dewmina (Gr. 3)	-	Merit
Shihansini Nanayakkara (Gr. 3)	-	Merit
K.G. Therara Abeykoon (Gr. 4)	-	3rd Place
Vinudana Dela (Gr. 5)	-	3rd Place

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

### FINAL RESULTS

#### Grade 1

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Yenuli Vidunitha  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Melani Gamage  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Hesali Mundigalarachchi



#### Grade 2

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Thisathma Sinthagosha  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Chenara Daladawattage  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Shammi Abeypala



#### Grade 3

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ranugi Menara  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Januli Deujani  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Umaya Bandara

#### Grade 4

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Isali Geenadi  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Oneli Weerawardena  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Sathmi Linethma



#### Grade 5

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Sandev Mahawatta  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Malshi Galukagama  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tanavee Pathirannahe

#### Grade 6

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Harendra Thennakoon  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Sanuda Manathunga  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Dulran Amarasekera



#### Grade 7

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Dilara Mahawatta  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ranushi Senanayake  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Deepna Chanmini

#### Grade 8

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ginod Pethmin  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Nimnee Weerawardena  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Yomini Nihansa



#### Grade 9 & above

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ashan Dharmasiri  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Wasana Thennakoon  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Sanuri Divyanjali

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



# MEMOS TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

## PRIZE GIVING

Please note that a minimum mark for best across prizes will be considered for Prizes at 2015/2016 Prize Giving.

## PARENT TEACHER DAY NURSERY- GRADE 12 (EXCEPT 10X)

10TH & 11TH DECEMBER 2015 (10X)

*Dear Parent,*

Parent Teacher Day will be held on 10th & 11th December 2015. You are cordially invited to the above meeting. For Grades 9 to 12 parents, participation is compulsory. We recommend parents of Grades 1 to 8 students to give priority to visiting the English, Maths and Science teachers and only if time permits, to visit the other subject teachers.

Parents can meet the class teachers and subject teachers on this day and collect their child's Semester Examination Reports (Grade 10 & 12) and subject papers from the respective subject teachers. The highly commended reports will be given to the students at the last day assembly. (9th December 2015)

Please note that we may need to restrict time allocations when there is a crowd. Therefore, it would be much appreciated if you could come ready, with your problems and suggestions noted down prior to the meeting.

Please use the following system when coming for the Parent Teacher Day.

	<b>Surnames beginning with</b>	<b>Time to meet teachers</b>
<b>10th Dec. 2015</b>	A, B, C, D	7.45 a.m. - 9.45 a.m.
	E, F, G, H	9.45 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.
	I, J, K, L	11.45 a.m. - 1.45 p.m.
<b>11th Dec. 2015</b>	M, N, O, P	7.45 a.m. - 9.45 a.m.
	Q, R, S	9.45 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.
	T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z	11.45 a.m. - 1.45 p.m.

Students must respect the school rules and abide by the dress code when they accompany their parents to the Parent Teacher Day Meetings. Students are not allowed to wear sandals/slippers with uniform, or fancy accessories etc.

Thank you  
**Principal**

## KANDYAN DANCING PRACTICE KIT

*Dear Parent,*

Please note that students are prohibited to go out of the school gate or come in (even in their private vehicles) wearing the practice kit.

Further, on top of the practice kit girls must wear a skirt, and boys must wear a T-shirt-both reaching well below the hip.

**Principal**

## SELECTION CRITERIA FOR PRE A/Ls

Students have to prove their basic competence for Sixth Form (O/L) work by having gained Grade A-C passes at the Second Examination held in March 2016 in Mathematics and in those subjects being continued to Advanced Level.



Behaviour should have been exemplary during the last 2 years (Grades 9 & 10). Pre A/L classes will commence in June and it is compulsory for the full term fee to be paid for the 3rd term. Students who are selected for Pre A/Ls should

collect the Term Fee Voucher from the Accounts Department before the end of June.

10X students will be notified in January 2016 whether they are selected for Pre A/Ls or not according to the above criteria.

## A FRIEND IN NEED IS A FRIEND, INDEED

### DONATIONS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT

**Venushi Rathnayake** of Gr. 9 Cam in Lyceum Ratnapura is slowly recovering from a very serious **brain surgery**.

To continue her treatment, Venushi requests generous donations from her friends in all classes (Nursery - Grade 12), dear teachers and parents.



If you are in a position to help this girl financially, you are welcome to deposit your kind donations in her mother's bank account.

**Account No** : 007030300728101  
**Name** : Ms. K.M.B. Menaka  
**Bank** : Seylan Bank, Ratnapura



# SPORTS NEWS

## INTER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 2015

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

*Sugathadasa Swimming Complex, Colombo*

### ALL ISLAND AEROBIC GYM FOR LIFE CHALLENGE CHAMPIONSHIP 2015

30<sup>th</sup> October 2015

*Sugathadasa Indoor Stadium*



### LYCEUM RATNAPURA - 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

*	Hirushan Saravanadevan	(Gr. 3-B)
*	Raahul Jayaseelan	(Gr. 4-C)
*	Uzair Ahamed Azmi	(Gr. 4-B)
*	Yasith Nikapitiya	(Gr. 4-A)
*	Kalana Palihakkara	(Gr. 5-B)
*	Dilaksha Wickramasinghe	(Gr. 5-A)
*	Joyal Roy	(Gr. 5-B)
*	Sharon Waduge	(Gr. 6-B)
*	Prasantha Senarathna	(Gr. 6-A)
*	Thimuth Mandila	(Gr. 6-A)
*	Muralidaran Yasiban	(Gr. 6-A)
*	Harendra Thennakoon	(Gr. 6-B)
*	Kavishan Vasantha Kumar	(Gr. 6-C)
*	Sanjaya Prasath	(Gr. 6-B)
*	Ramanathan Anushan	(Gr. 6-C)

## CONGRATULATIONS!

### NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL - 2015

14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015@ *Sugathadasa Swimming Complex, Colombo*



### **H.K. Ushan Gunarathna**

100m Butterfly ( Men ) 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - 59.83 sec  
50m Butterfly ( Men ) 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - 27.14 sec

## CONGRATULATIONS!

### Ushan Gunarathna ( 11 Cam. Sc. ) - Boys 16 & Over

50m Butterfly - 1<sup>st</sup> 26.73 ( New Record )  
100m Butterfly - 1<sup>st</sup> 59.60 ( New Record )  
50m Freestyle - 1<sup>st</sup> 25.78

**Age Group Champion Swimmer**

### Gayali Gunarathna ( 9 Nat. A ) - Girls Under 16

200m Individual Medley - 1<sup>st</sup> 3:03.47  
100m Breaststroke - 4<sup>th</sup> 1:36.18  
50m Breaststroke - 5<sup>th</sup> 42.81

### Minuki Perera ( 9 Nat. A ) - Girls Under 14

50m Breaststroke - 3<sup>rd</sup> 44.07

### Umayanga Subasinghe ( 6 -B ) - Under 12 Boys

100m Freestyle - 7<sup>th</sup> 1:18.80  
50m Butterfly - 7<sup>th</sup> 38.59  
200m Individual Medley - 8<sup>th</sup> 3:29.61

### Relay Events ( Combined with LG )

#### Mixed Open Freestyle Relay

Ushan Gunarathna ( 11 Cam. Sc. ) }  
Gayali Gunarathna ( 09 Nat. A ) } 6<sup>th</sup> Place (4:44.23)

#### Under 10 Medley Relay

Thimath Tennakoon ( 5 -C ) }  
Kalana Palihakkara ( 5 -B ) } 6<sup>th</sup> Place (03:32.54)  
Sithupa Hemasiri ( 5 -A ) }

#### Under 10 Freestyle Relay

Thimath Tennakoon ( 5 -C ) }  
Kalana Palihakkara ( 5 -B ) } 7<sup>th</sup> Place (03:03.74)  
Sithupa Hemasiri ( 5 -A ) }

## CONGRATULATIONS!

### "BIHIDORA ABIYASA" ART FESTIVAL (Organized by Kelaniya University)

1<sup>st</sup> November, 2015 @ University of Kelaniya

#### Innovations ( Female Group - Senior ) - 1<sup>st</sup> Place

##### Girls

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) Hirushi Goonarthne    | 10) Arani Suraweera         |
| 2) Berny Weliwaththa     | 11) Gayali Gunarathne       |
| 3) Vinodya Guruluwana    | 12) Nawodya Andaramanage    |
| 4) Yashmika Gunathilake  | 13) Thoorya Wijegunawardana |
| 5) Lelumi Jagoda         | 14) Chathumi Gamage         |
| 6) Senuri Perera         | 15) Pamudi Rathnayake       |
| 7) Rashmi Muniprema      | 16) Ayodya Guruluwana       |
| 8) Diwyanjali Nikapitiya | 17) Keshini Naotunna        |
| 9) Pawani Amarasinghe    | 18) Adithya Jayarathne      |

#### "Thelme" Low-Country ( Male Group - Senior ) - 1<sup>st</sup> Place

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1) Ushan Gunarathne        | 6) Uvindu Wickramathunga |
| 2) Pasindu Ganganatha      | 7) Keshawa Weersinghe    |
| 3) Loganathan Sujeewan     | 8) Kasun Soysa           |
| 4) Kavindya Wickramathunga | 9) Imal Ambagahawatta    |
| 5) Kavindu Mihiran Jagoda  |                          |

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