

Congratulations! National A/L August 2015

Vinu Maddumage (Sci)	3A
Yoganathan Lambhotharan (Sci)	3B
Sidath Abeygunasekara (Com)	2A 1B
Sithy Ariff (Com)	2A 1B
Shiruni Kavisha (Com)	2A 1B

100% pass rate in the Commerce Stream.

Thai Pongal Celebrations

The students of Lower Nursery, Upper Nursery & Pre-Grade Celebrated Thai Pongal on 14th of January 2016 in the School Premises.



Activities in February 2016

- 01.02.2016 - Junior English Best Speakers - Semifinals
- 02.02.2016 - Concert Rehearsal - Grade 5
- 05.02.2016 - Meeting with Parents Grades 3 and 4
- 07.02.2016 - Inter House Drama Competition
- 09.02.2016 - Senior Sinhala Singing Competition (Semi Finals)
- 11.02.2016 - Concert Rehearsal - Grade 3
- 12.02.2016 - Meeting with Parents - Grades 1 & 2
- 15.02.2016 - Junior English Best Speakers Contest - Finals
- 17.02.2016 - Senior English Best Speakers Contest - Semifinals
- 21.02.2016 - Inter House Chess Tournament
- 22.02.2016 - Religious Programme Grades 3, 4 & 5
- 23.02.2016 - Senior Sinhala Singing Competition (Finals)
- 25.02.2016 - Concert Grade 4
- 26.02.2016 } ISAC
- 27.02.2016 }
- 28.02.2016 }

* Please note that the Science & Technology Fair will be held in March

Dress Up Day

The Upper Nursery students had a "Dress Up Day" based on the theme "Clothes". The children were dressed in a variety of costumes representing different professions.

They learnt to identify the different professions through the costume they were and enjoyed a day of fun filled activities.



Inter House Singing Competition (Senior) 2016

The above competition was held on 22nd January 2016 in the School Hall.

Grade 6

Girls	Boys
1 st Sheyel Rajahselvam	1 st Dimethro Jayasuriya
2 nd Randuni Ariyapala	2 nd Reshan Nanyakkara
3 rd Tinara Kahanda	3 rd Jerome Fernando

Grade 7

Girls	Boys
1 st Tiana De Silva	1 st Sheneth Madiwela
2 nd Theertha Jayamaha	2 nd Tharindu Jayasinghe
3 rd Imalsha Prashani	3 rd Ateeq Roomy

Grade 8

Girls	Boys
1 st Binudhi Kahanda	1 st Faith Fernando
2 nd Hamra Shiraz	2 nd Thejana Fernando
3 rd Salma Badri	3 rd Udith Harshajith

Grades 9 & 10

Girls	Boys
1 st Theruni Galagedera	1 st Ranish Kromodoya
2 nd Nikita Senaratne	2 nd Janith Karunaratne
3 rd Thisuri Wilagedera	3 rd Lathika Wirasinha

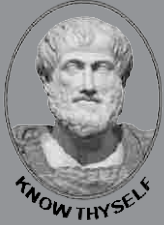
Grades 11 & 12

Girls	Boys
1 st Shabeena Zain	1 st Vishaal Ravindran
2 nd Devin Fernando	2 nd Janidu Karunaratne
3 rd Sanduni Minoshi	3 rd Dhanusha Kariyawasam

House Choirs

1 st Ursa House	3 rd Cygnus House
2 nd Aquila House	4 th Cetus House

Overall Championship
Ursa House



The Value of 'Learning Discipline'

Learning cannot take place without 'Learning Discipline'. This is more important in Grades One and Two as attitudes and behaviours formed in these grades form the foundation for learning in higher, and further education through life.

Desirable Learning Discipline can be illustrated. For example, a student has a pencil in his hand when no writing is involved: they will keep playing with it, not paying attention to what the teacher is doing. Body and mind are not attuned to the learning situation, but occupied with manipulating the pencil. Effective, attentive listening, essential to good learning is not possible. Teachers can avoid such distractions by not allowing the presence of unnecessary instruments, and material, etc. within reach of the student at any stage of the learning processes. Maintaining consistent eye contact with all the students in the class, demanding it from the students, too, will help in this.

Grade One and Two students are often called upon to match pictures and answers, etc. This is, sometimes, by joining lines. It can be done with a ruler so that the result is a set of straight lines, or without a ruler, where the lines are squiggly, and meander across the page. Using a pencil to write neatly, an eraser to rub out mistakes cleanly, are also skills the student must develop. Skills and behaviours like these help in learning and are a part of learning discipline.

Teachers can demonstrate to the students the desirable skills and behaviours, and motivate the students to practice them in the classroom. Parents must try their utmost to consolidate them within the home environment. A similar approach is where children are guided to have (and work with) only the necessary tools, will also be productive.

Little children, in the absence of a task that demands their concentration, or challenges them, tend to bite/ suck on their fingers. This is not only unhygienic, but also reduces the intensity of the learning experience of the moment. Parents need to assure themselves that their children do not develop such unhygienic and socially unwelcome habits. In the classroom, a student challenged with an absorbing learning task will not have an opportunity to wander in thought and action.

Teachers and parents need to convince themselves that skills and behaviours which produce Learning Discipline should be developed in the students for the purpose of better learning. The future of children depends on learning. Better, improved learning must be considered an investment for the future.



Inter Schools' All Island Chess Tournament 2015

Venue : Moratuwa Maha Vidyalaya, Moratuwa **Date** : 27th and 28th December 2015

Under 11 Boys - 12th place (one star level)

Lashitha Samaranayake, Shevonne Fernando, Saniru Weerakoon, Akash Rodrigo, Rehan Noor, Dulina Devmin, Sheshan Careem

Under 11 Girls - 10th place (one star level)

Susan Senarathne, Pahandee Nilakma, Yasuri Mayakaduwa, Kenolee Wickramasuriya, Shazna Lye Renurakchaa Mohanraj, Viduni Madurapperuma

Venue : Science College, Mt. Lavinia **Date** : 27th, 28th & 29th December 2015

Organized by : Sri Lanka Schools' Chess Association

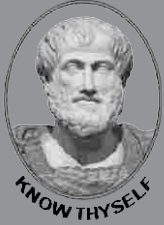
Under 15 Girls - 11th place

Keshani Attanayake, Senmi Perera, Himaya Wijesekara, Aaloka De Silva, Dimagi Gajanayake, Zulaika Ahamat

Under 15 Boys - 13th place

Dilum Mohotty, Hiruna Wickramasinghe, Vishwa Wijayathilake, Himeth Moremada, Malindu Dinusha, Rashane Pintoe, Isuru Pathmaperuma

Dimagi Gajanayake won a board prize in the above tournament.



Inter Schools' Western Province Chess Tournament 2015

Venue : Kalagedihena Maha Vidyalaya, Yakkala **Date** : 16th, 17th and 18th October 2015

Organized by : Sri Lanka Schools' Chess Association

6 teams participated from Lyceum Wattala and 4 teams were selected for the All Island Chess Tournament which was held on December 2015.

Under 15 Boys and Girls teams participated in 'A' Division and Under 11 Boys and Girls teams participated in 'B' Division.

Under 11 Boys (5th place)	Under 11 Gilrs (6th place)	Under 15 Boys (1st Runner up)	Under 15 Girls (Champions)
Lashitha Samaranyake	Susan Senarathne	Dilum Mohotty	Keshani Attanayake
Shevonne Fernando	Pahandee Nilakma	Hiruna Wickramasinghe	Senumi Perera
Saniru Weerakoon	Yasuri Mayakaduwa	Vishwa Wijayathilake	Himaya Wijesekara
Akash Rodrigo	Kenolee Wickramasuriya	Himeth Moremada	Aaloka De Silva
Rehan Noor	Shazna Lye	Malindu Dinusha	Dimagi Gajanayake
Dulina Devmin	Renurakchaa Mohanraj	Rashane Pintoe	Zulaika Ahamat
Sheshan Careem	Meira Van Dort		

Inter House Badminton Tournament 2016

The 8th Inter House Badminton Tournament was held on 16th January 2016 (Saturday) from 8.30a.m. to 2.00p.m. for Under 11, Under 13, Under 15, Under 17 and Under 19 age groups. The tournament was held at Hunupitiya courts, Hunupitiya.

Player of the Tournament

Under 11 Boys			Under 11 Girls		
Champion	Pamith Attanayake	Ursa	Champion	Pooja Denipitiya	Ursa
Runner Up	Ranthuka Rupatunga	Cygnus	Runner Up	Shamaaila Shahnawaz	Cygnus
Under 13 Boys			Under 13 Girls		
Champion	Vinushanth Nithyanandan	Cetus	Champion	Ranudi Jagoda	Aquila
Runner Up	Luwin Kodippili	Ursa	Runner Up	Hazeena Hossen	Aquila
Under 15 Boys			Under 15 Girls		
Champion	Dinal Jalith	Cygnus	Champion	Udana Jagoda	Cygnus
Runner Up	Duvin Aluthge	Ursa	Runner Up	Keshani Attanayake	Ursa
Under 17 Boys			Under 17 Girls		
Champion	Vikash Kannan	Cetus	Champion	Manuki Chandrasekara	Cygnus
Runner Up	Harishanth Nithyanandan	Cetus	Runner Up	Nadeshi Kodippili	Ursa
Under 19 Boys			Under 19 Girls		
Champion	Pranavan Sudahar	Ursa	Champion	Dinuli Edirisinghe	Cetus
Runner Up	Santhush Thilakaratne	Cetus	Runner Up	Anuki Chandrasekara	Cygnus

Overall Points:

1st Place	124 points (Ursa House)	3rd Place	74 points (Cetus House)
2nd Place	114 points (Cygnus House)	4th Place	48 points (Aquila House)

Inter School Scrabble Tournament 2015

This under 15 tournament was organized by Lyceum Nugegoda and was held on 14th November 2015. The team from Lyceum Wattala, comprising of Adshayan Balachandran (Captain), Randinka Perera, Madumitha Selvarajh, Chaniru Udukumbura, Nisalyaa Samarajeewa were placed 12th. Randika Perera won the Spot Prize for round one.

