



## Christmas Carols

It was held on Friday 5th December 2015 at 6.00p.m. in the School Hall. The Choirs of grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Junior Choir, Senior Choir and Staff Choir presented items while students from different grades presented a nativity play. We thank all parents who were present on that day.

## 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 O/L & A/L exams.

## Felicitation Ceremony

The Felicitation Ceremony was held on Monday 14th December 2015 in the Zeus Hall, to celebrate the achievements of our students. Champion teams which were felicitated: Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Cricket, Drama, Karate, Netball, Scrabble, Swimming.

The Chief Guest was Mr. Mohan Lal Grero Founder of Lyceum International Schools and the Guest-of-Honor was Mr. Nuwan Zoysa former Sri Lankan Cricketer.

## Dates to Remember

- 16.01.2016 - Inter House Badminton Tournament
- 18.01.2016 - Inter House Scrabble Tournament
- 20.01.2016 - Sinhala Inter House Debating Competition
- 22.01.2016 - Senior English Singing Competition
- 23.01.2016 - Inter House Drama Competition - Rehearsal
- 25.01.2016 - Meeting with Parents Grades 7 & 8
- 26.01.2016 - Monthly Test Grades 9N & 10N
- 27.01.2016 - Monthly Test Grades 1 to 9
- 28.01.2016 - Monthly Test Grades 1 to 12  
Meeting with Parents Grades 5 & 6
- 29.01.2016 - Concert Rehearsal Grade 4

### Concert DVD's Grades 1 to 5 (2014 /2015)

Concert DVD's are available for sale at Rs. 300/- a copy. Place your order with Ms. Fareesha at the school reception.

## Happy New Year 2016

### Message from Mr. Mohan Lal Grero Founder



A husband and wife wearing worn out shabby clothes walked into an Ivy League College President's office without an appointment. The Secretary immediately seeing that they were country folk, frowned, wondering what such people were doing there. "We want to see the president", the man said softly. "He'll be busy all day" the secretary snapped.

"We'll wait" the lady replied. For hours, the Secretary ignored them hoping that they would go away. They didn't. The Secretary, frustrated, had to disturb the president, convincing him that if he just saw them for a few minutes, they would go away. The president reluctantly agreed. He hated country folk cluttering his office.

The woman spoke. "We had a son who went here and he loved this college but he died a year ago. We would like to erect a memorial for him somewhere on the campus".

The president was shocked with disbelief: "Madam", he said gruffly. "We can't put up a statue for every person who attended Harvard and died. If we did, this place would look like a cemetery." "Oh no, we don't want to erect a statue for him. We want to give a building to this university." she rejoined. "A building?" He rolled his eyes. Do you know how much a building costs? We have over 7 million in buildings. The lady was silent and the president thought that he can finally get rid of them. But the woman only said: "Is that all it costs?" She turned to her husband and said let's start our own.

So they went back home and started their own university in memory of their son. The University became one of the great Ivy League Schools in the country. We are all human. And judging people before we get to know them is something we are all guilty of - even the best of us. We are more prone to do it unintentionally. It's almost a habit. But it is something we should alter in our lives or we could miss out on knowing some amazing people or experiencing great opportunities in life.

