



St John's College Jaffna

1823 - 2013

For Celebrating The 190th Anniversary

A release of News Bulletin is one of the first Activities

News Bulletin 2013 Term -1
(January - April)

Lower Primary School
Middle School
Senior Secondary School
A/L Commerce
Academy

Upper Primary School
Junior Secondary School
A/L Arts
A/L Science

In a forest of trees, one tree in particular stands majestically, with its strong branches extending outward, daringly saluting the sky. This deeply rooted, tall, blest, sturdy and strong tree has stood year after year for 190 years, withstanding the test of time. The sapling planted by Rev. Joseph Knight was taken great care of by Subsequent Principals, Vice Principals, Tutorial and Non-Tutorial Staff, Old Boys and Well-Wishers.

"LUX IN TENEBRIS LUCET"

St. John's College Jaffna

Lower Primary School Newsletter (Grades 1-3)

Programs

Besides the standard curriculum, a variety of programs are implemented by the college.

“English Environment”

An off-classroom activity which enables students to practise language expressions useful to real life situations is conducted before school commences everyday.

Grade 1 Students' Orientation to School



Extra-curricular Activities



“Lift a Gift” Race at the Sports Meet

Tennis (Red & Orange), Chess and Athletic Skills are taught to students, and Cub Scouting is introduced from Grade 1.



The Action Song “An Old Man and the Donkey” being performed at the Parents' Day

Other Programs

Global School Partnership Program

Grade 3 students have been selected as pen friends by some students of Victoria Primary School, Northern Ireland. This programme was initiated by the British Council under the Global School Partnership Program.

Read Smart Program inaugurated



Story books both in English and Tamil are given to all the students in Grade 3 in rotation as per a fixed schedule which enables all the students in the class to finish reading the entire set of books before the end of the academic year. They are also requested to respond to a set of questions after reading the books at home.

This activity called “Read Smart Program,” is sponsored by the OBA Sydney.

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Upper Primary School Newsletter (Grades 4 & 5)

Extra-curricular Activities



Cricket



Soccer



Tennis



Rugby



March Past



Cub Scouts' Grand Howl



A Drama by Gr. 5 Students

Other Programs

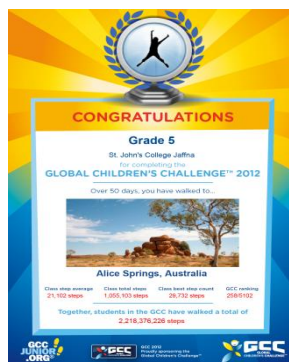
Collaborative Project with Victoria

Students from Grade 5 contributed in the International School Award project by implementing one of the Collaborative projects "Festivals" with Victoria Primary School Northern Ireland, for which our college was accredited with 'International School Award' for 2012 to 2015 by the British Council.

Global School Partnership Program

54 students have been selected as pen friends with Victoria Primary School Northern Ireland by the British Council under the Global School Partnership Program.

Global Children's Challenge



Students from Grade 5 participated in a 50-day Global Children's challenge, a web-based journey, and reached Alice Springs, Australia with their total Class Steps of 1,055,103 (step counts measured by pedometers and uploaded on the GCC website), ranking 258 out of 5102 schools that participated from around the world.

Cambridge English Penfriends



A primary school in Turkey - Toros Akdeniz Koleji, is registered as our Cambridge English Penfriends Partner, and we are guided by a Lesson Plan by the Cambridge University. Three best cards drawn by the students from Grade 5 on the theme of "Amazing Animals" have been uploaded in the Cambridge English Penfriends website.

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Under 13 Athlete of the Year 2013
Mas.M.Thanusk

Under 13 Long Jump Divisional Level 3rd Place

FACILITIES

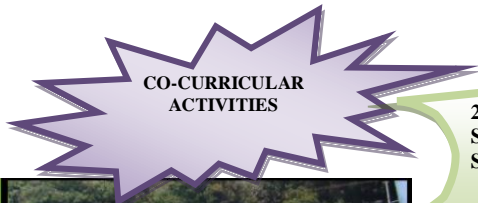
- Scholarship for 6 students per term
- Junior Science Lab



Mas.A.J.Remukshan participated in Provincial Level Maths Olympiad



Mas.T.Thavasuthan participated in Provincial Level Science Olympiad



2013
Scouts 66
Sea Scouts 18



190th Anniversary Drill Display

Awards Given in Middle School:

- Best All Round Student
- Academic Excellence
- Super Proficiency
- General Proficiency
- Subject Prizes
- Best Sportsman – for each game



Junior Band 1st time in our College history

EDUCATION

1. Parents' meeting-Develops good relationship between the school and parents.
2. Monthly exam - To grade the students.
3. The students have progressed due to the activities done by the subject co-ordinators.
4. Science Laboratory – Getting more marks at the practical examination.
5. Fees Exemption – For the Best Ten at the term examination – Encourages other students to score more.
6. Junior Secondary Prize Giving & Parents' Day – Students come out with their talents and abilities
7. Scholarships for Needy & Displaced students.
8. Catch up classes (Compulsory subjects) inspire and help Students to achieve better performances.
9. Gold Medal for General Excellence.
10. Tamil Day -58 prize recipients were from our section.

Education

Games

Co Curricular activities



GAMES & SPORTS

- Annual Inter House Athletic Meet – PT Competition
- Mas. Goldshajan – Established a new ground record -(110 M hurdles – U15)
- Divisional Level :- 1st Place - 03 2nd Place – 02
- Cricket - Runners Up ,Under-13-Division III Tournament Organized by Sri Lanka Schools' Cricket Association.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Daily, we start our day with students' prayer. Every Wednesday we have a morning worship.
- Students' leadership :-25 monitors are in our section including the Senior Prefect and Deputy Senior Prefect.
- Scouts-20, Sea Scouts-10, St, John Ambulance-39
The following Scouts participated in the Kandy Risco Jumboree: H. Manimaran, A. Joseph Agilsan, C. Kohilan, A. Johanan, S. Tharshiyani
- Western Band .
- English & Tamil Day Competitions

BOARDERS: 55 Students from Junior Secondary are in the hostel

CADET MEMBERS

Sea wing-37
Land wing-11
Air wing-14
Police wing-10
Band -19



The supervisor, teachers and students of Senior Secondary Level (Grades 10 & 11) are indeed very proud and happy in releasing the first edition of the Newsletter.



EDUCATION:

- * Parents' Meeting - Develops good relationship between the school and parents.
- * Monthly exams – evaluate students and enable remedial teaching
- * Students have progressed due to the activities done by the subject coordinators
- * Science Laboratory - Getting more marks at the practical examination.
- * Fees exemption - Encourages other students to score more.
- * Senior Secondary Prize Giving & Parents' Day – Students come out with their talents and abilities
- * Catch up classes (for compulsory subjects)
- * Gold Medal for General Excellence.
- * Tamil Day – 42 students from our section were awarded prizes at the Tamil Day Celebrations.

O/L DECEMBER 2012 – RESULTS

N.Kadotgajan – 9A –English Medium
 Robert Dean Osbert – 9A – English Medium
 S.Sivatharshan – 9A – Tamil Medium

Percentage Pass in Tamil Medium: 82.9 %
 Percentage Pass in Bilingual Medium: 89.3 %

EXTRA ACTIVITIES:

- Daily, we start our day with a prayer. Every Wednesday we have morning worship.
- Students in Leadership - We have 17 Monitors in our section including the Head Prefect and the Deputy Head Prefect.



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Collegiate Level Newsletter

Clubs and Societies apart from the Advanced Level Union that function at St. John's:

Agriculture Science Club
Astronomical Association
BOC Students' Unit
Boarders' Union
Catholic Union
Chess Club
Commerce Union
Cub Scout Pack
English Union
Environmental Pioneer Club
Hindu Union
HNB Students' Savings Unit
Interact Club
IT Club

Leo Club
Media Club English
Media Club Tamil
People's Bank Students' Unit
Philatelic Club
Photographic Club
Prefects' Guild
Science Union
Scout Troop
Social Science Forum
St. John Ambulance
Student Christian Movement
Tamil Manram

The following functions in the College Calendar provide opportunities for students to learn the skills of organization.

A/L Lunch
Boarders' Day
Carols - SJC & CGC
Carols- Youth of the North
College Day
Commerce Day
Easter Bajanai
English Day
Environmental Day
Gandhi Day
Indoor Games Tournament
Installation of Leo Club

Installation of St. John Ambulance
Installation of Interact Club
Inter-House Athletic Meet
International Teachers' Day
Library Day
Prize Giving
Saraswathy Pooja
Science Day
Young Inventors' Exhibition
Summer Exposure Program
Tamil Day



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A/L ARTS STREAM - NEWSLETTER

G.C.E (A/L) 2012 Examinations:

- S.Kajanthan of Arts Stream obtained 2A& B.
- Four students are eligible to enter the university.
- Percentage of Pass : 82%

SPORTS & GAMES

- Weight lifting Un-19 – Provincial 1st – Saikrishna. D
- Relay Un - 19 – Provincial 1st – Sivananthan.T, Thileepan.S, Sarmilan.T, Sansajan.A and Nirojan.P
- Football Un - 18 – National 3rd - Team members from Arts Stream – P.Kowsikan, V. Gowthaman, V. Thusiyanthan, R. Yathushan, K. Prashanth and U. Vinothkumar
- Our Un - 19 Football team emerged UNBEATEN! Members from our Stream – T. Sivanathan, S. Thileepan and A. Sansajan
- Big Match 2013 – Players from Arts Stream – Birunthapan.P, Anojan.A , Logathieswar.R and Genatharshan.S
- Man of the Match & Best Bowler – Logathieswar.R



CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS :- Villupaattu- 2012 - National 1st – Mohanatharshan.S (Leader) and Logathieswar.R participated from our Stream.

OTHER ACTIVITIES : Our stream has been actively involved in Shramadana Campaigns and Friendly Environmental Programmes

FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMMES BY SOCIAL SCIENCE FORUM





ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE JAFFNA



NEWSLETTER A/L COMMERCE

Facilities Available

- A panel of experienced and qualified supervisor, teachers and nonacademic staff who work with cooperation, collaboration and coordination
- Main Library and Sectional Library
- English and Tamil Medium classes
- Spoken English Environment
- Membership in games, sports, clubs and societies.
- A plethora of co-curricular activities to take part in.

SCOUTS Presidential Award

Mas.Abeesan.E and Mas.Vintharakan.M got the Presidential Award in Scouting in 2012.

AIL RESULTS

Mas.Sivaroshan.M and Mas.Vithurshan.U have got 3A's. Mas.Sivaroshan.M has secured the first place in the District Level. In addition, he has successfully completed his AAT course.

PERCENTAGE OF PASS 1st TERM 2013

Classes	Accounting	Business Studies	Economics	ICT	English
SPVI (2013)	73 %	82 %	92.5 %	100 %	71 %
UPVI(2014)	88 %	89 %	87 %	100 %	65 %
LVI (2015)	91%	97 %	97 %	50 %	93 %



Mas.Sivaroshan.M

Collegiate Level Science Newsletter

In the beginning of the year, all the Clubs and Associations elected their office bearers. As per College rules, no student could be an office bearer in more than one club. This ensures maximum opportunities for students to develop their leadership qualities and personality.



In the photo on the left are students of the Advanced Level Union 2013 at their Annual Lunch.

Swimming, Weight Lifting and Karate were introduced recently. Students won places in Kata and Kumite and Blue, Green and Yellow Belt in Karate at the Provincial Karate Championship organized by the Sri Lanka Karate Federation.

The Annual Sports meet went off very well this year with many students from the Science stream participating. Practices and Heats were kept till 3.45p.m. so as not to disrupt the normal classroom teaching and learning process. Students at St. John's have won several places at National Level in athletics. In the picture below, the Athletic Captain, from the Science Stream is seen carrying the torch.



In this year's Sports Meet, Peto became first with 218 points. The winning house is seen below.



Seen below are members of the Interact Club / Leo Club during the installation this year.



The Tamil Day of our College was celebrated on 5th March 2013. Following Mr. B.Kasinathan's retirement, Mr.S.Senthuran took over as the Vice Patron of the Tamil Union. Below (left), the audience is captivated by the events which unfolded on Tamil Day 2013.



All Work and No Play Makes Jack a Dull Boy! Similarly it is not only studies and extra-curricular activities at St. John's. Recently, the legendary Pop star and Old Boy of our College, Mr. A.E.Manoharan staged a programme at St. John's (Above right). The programme was a sell-out and an immense success.

St. John's does all it could to encourage the students to shine as light in darkness...



NEWS BULLETIN
Department of Computing & Information Technology
TERM 01/2013

BRITISH
COUNCIL

**INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL AWARD**
2012-2015

The Department of Computing & Information Technology using its 04 Computer Laboratories with more than 100 Computers including 02 Laboratories with internet facility has the following to offer:

Computer Classes for ALL the students beginning from Grade 1 to Advanced Level
Friendly Environment for students to do their practical
End of Term Evaluation both on practical and theoretical skills
Science through IT for ALL students from Grade 6 to Ordinary Level

Upcoming Events:

➤ **Diploma in ICT**

Planning to conduct classes for School Leavers in conjunction with University of Colombo School of Computing.

This diploma would be the first step towards obtaining the first ever external degree in ICT!!!

Achievements:

• **British Council's International Award 2012 – 2015**

St John's College was awarded the Prestigious International School Award (ISA) by the British Council. The British Council International School Award (ISA) is an accreditation scheme that recognizes and celebrates exemplary practices of internationalism in schools. ISA encourages schools to collaborate and innovate with overseas schools to create a rich learning experience for students through the use of information technology, creative teaching methodology and real context for learning.

• **GCE Advanced Level**

One of our Commerce Stream Students obtained 3A's in the A/L 2012 Exam and ranked 1st in the District Level. He offered Information Communication Technology (ICT) as one of the main subjects.



Newsletter

TRILINGUAL GRADE ONE



St. John's has begun a Trilingual programme for Grade 1 for the first time in the Northern Province. This Unit was opened on the 7th of January 2013. The Archdeacon of Jaffna, Principal - St. John's College, Jaffna, Vice Principals, Headmasters and Supervisors were present.

FOOD FIESTA



Under Life Skills & Ethics the children learned to make waffles, laying of a table, serving, table manners and how guests should be treated.

GOING GREEN

Children are learning to grow their own vegetables. Through this, they have come to know of the importance of gardening and the need to protect and nurture nature.

FOLLOW THE LEADERS



Learning Sinhala through the elder brothers. The little ones get an idea of what they want to be

TEACHER TRAINING CENTRE OPENING CEREMONY



Pre-Primary and Primary Teacher Training officially began on the 22nd of September 2012 with the generous donation of Mrs. Indrani Fernando. The Special Guests who attended the Opening Ceremony and Inauguration of the Jaffna Academy and School of Technology are:

Archdeacon of Nuwara Eliya: Venerable S.P. Nesakumar

Archdeacon of Jaffna: Venerable J. Jayaweerasingan

Principal of St. John's: Rev.N.J Gnanaponrajah
Vice Principal of St. John's: Mr. V.S.B. Thuseetharan

Vice-Principal of Chundikuli Girl's College
Mrs. ShanthiNesakumar

MONTESSORI WORKSHOP FOR PRE PRIMARY & PRIMARY TEACHERS



Montessori workshop was held for three days from the 18th to the 20th of December by Mrs. Elizabeth Thurai for 65 Primary Teachers from St. John's, Chundikuli Girl's College and Preschool teachers from the Mullaithivu and Kilinochchi area.

PRE PRIMARY AND PRIMARY TEACHER TRAINING AWARD CEREMONY



The Pre -primary and Primary teacher training award ceremony for Trainees completing Stage 1 was held on the 1st of February 2013. 25 trainees out of 36 were eligible to follow Stage 2. The certificates were awarded by the Chief Guest, Mrs. Indrani Fernando, Chairperson, New Philips Hospital, Kalutara.

EXHIBITIONS



Held three exhibitions for around 2500 Teachers and Parents on New Teaching Methods, Child rights and Child Psychology on 4th, 12th and 19th of January 2013.

The Exhibition on 12th January 2013 was opened by the Zonal Director of Early Childhood Development.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (ELDP)

The ELDP for school leavers and teachers inaugurated in 2006

continues to function in three stages.

Currently, 15 students enrolled in

Stage I, and 16 students in Stage II

which prepares candidates for TKT

Cambridge Exams.

Important Events To Mark The 190th Anniversary

02 & 03 May

Exhibition

04 May

College Day – 190th Anniversary

14&15 May

Boarders' Day – Fellowship Dinner

05 July

190th Thanks giving Service

06 July

Prize Giving – Fellowship Lunch

03 August

**Fellowship Tea & Dinner for Old Boys
celebrating their 50's, 60's, 70's and above**

03 November

CGC & SJC Carol Service

St John's embarked on a project to construct a residential quarters and to acquire the adjoining property for their dedicated staff to live in. Total cost for this is Rs. 60 million. St John's would like to urge the Old Boys and well-wishers to either sponsor an entire unit for Rs 5.0 million or at least a room for Rs 1.0 million.

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Food for thought

In character, in manner, in style, in all things, the supreme excellence is simplicity

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