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#### NEWS LETTER OF BOYS TOWN SOCIETY

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#### தாயின் அன்பு...

நான் கருவிலிருந்து வளர்ச்சி பெற்றேன் என் தாயின் ரத்தத்தால்

நான் கேட்ட முதல் ஒலி என் தாயின் இதயத்துடிப்பு

என் அருகிலிருந்து பேசும் ஓர் தெய்வமானது என் தாயின் பாசப்பார்வை

நான் சுற்றித் திரிந்த முதல் களம் என் தாயின் அங்கமெல்லாம்

என்னை நேசத்துடன் சேர்த்து அணைத்தது என் தாயின் அன்புக்கரங்கள்

என்னை பாதுகாக்கும் ஒரு வழியே வேலி என் தாயின் கவனப்பார்வை....



M. தினேஷ்குமார் 10th Std TBT Sponspred by : Mrs. S. Shepherd

#### TREES...

Gift of god is eternal life But Trees are our life

Trees give us rain But we give them pain

Trees texture is not fair But they give us air

So we tell that

Gift of God is eternal life

But trees provide oxygen - Our Life......



M. Vijayakumar 8th Std EFL T. Pudhupatti

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends and Supporters

Let me first wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2017, All Boys Town Activities are progressing well. I have the feeling that Our Founder Joe is guiding us in all the activities as he left us from this Worldly life and entered in to the eternal life during March 2016. Our

New School building has been completed, we are having our Inauguration for our FM School on 16" January 2017, we are upgrading our FMNP School to FM Matriculation School during June 2017. We are also reviving the activities of our Perumparai Environmental Centre, so that we can keep the momentum going, as Joe lived his last days at Perumparai Environmental centre and spent most of his time with Environment related activities. We express our thanks to our supporters Mr.Peter, Mr.Jon & JHC Trustees, Asha Education & Indian Supporters. Once again wishing you a Prosperous 2017.

Dr.A.Natarajarathinam President

#### TREASURER'S MESSAGE

#### Challenges keeps us active

In our Life, every new challenge keeps us active. We don't learn by living an easy life. We only learn by living through challenging experiences. Those challenging experiences make you a better person. Every time you overcome a perceived challenge, you earn another level of conscious evolution. And on the flip side, every time you allow yourself to fall down, feel



sorry for yourself, you take a step back. The mind has to sense the difference. Challenges are not road blocks, day are opportunities to test ourselves to see if we are still growing in the directions we want to be moving or if we have decided to stop growing altogether. Don't let a closed door be an obstacle. Learn to find the key and open the door yourself so you can keep moving forward and create the life you truly deserve.

With prayers Mr. P.G. Alagarsamy Treasurer

#### GENERAL SECRETARY MESSAGE



Friends,

Prayers,

With the blessings of Joe the activities in the Boys Town Society move steadily. This is the First Pongal we celebrate without physical presence of Joe. You will agree with me when I say that we all are seen, blessed and guided by Joe in every minutes of our work. It has been experienced by some of our staff members that Joe often touches them and appreciates their good work and encourages them to save the children.

Our experience in local fund raising is encouraging and fruitful. It requires involvement of all the members of our society, staff, old students and the children of BTS. This year again our children could raise more than Rs. 2,00,000/- through the Joy of Giving Scheme. We have decided to name one of our classrooms as "Students 2014-16 batch".

The school building work is almost completed. It is a huge task and I honestly believe that Joe's name will remain ever because of the school. We have named the campus as Joe Homan campus. The funds from abroad is slowly decreasing and it is the right time we, the locals, shoulder the responsibility of taking care of our under privileged brothers and sisters. Though the building work is almost over, we need your support in fulfilling other needs like school tables and benches, water purifier, computer tables & computer, library racks & books, office equipment, funds for the construction of compound wall etc., It is you and your family & friends alone make the school wonderful with all the necessary infra-structure, Let us all strive to create a model school in the southern part of Tamilnadu.

With prayers

Dr. P.N. Narayana Raja

General Secretary

#### **VOLUNTEER TO BOYS TOWN SOCIETY**



Volunteers are visiting Boys Town Society to help our children in their activities. Tim Kiteley from UK was with us from October 2016 to November 2016. He made his visits to all our units to prepare case histories of our students and also he gave simple training to our students in spoken English and Mathematics. He had also visited our FMNP school and took classes in English.

#### Aditya Raja & Tim Kiteley

Aditya Raja, Youngest Volunteer from Isha Samaskirithi spent a day with TBT children and had a discussion with Tim Kiteley about the importance of volunteering.



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பள்ளி என்னும் கலைக்கோவில் ¬ நல் அறிவை வளர்க்கும் திருக்கோவில்

அறியா இருளை விரட்டிடுமே அறிவு ஒளியை ஏற்றிடுமே தெரியா உலகினை தெரியவைக்கும் தைரியம் நமக்கு தந்திடுமே

வாழும் வழியை காட்டிடுமே வசந்தம் தந்து மகிழ்ந்திடுமே

முகவரி இல்லா மானிடருக்கு முகவரி தந்து உதவிடுமே

சொந்தம் தந்து வளர்ந்திடுமே வாழ்வின் மேன்மை காத்திடுமே...



K. கருப்பசாயி 10th Std TBT Sponsored by ! Mrs. E. Fairs

#### AWARENESS PROGRAM



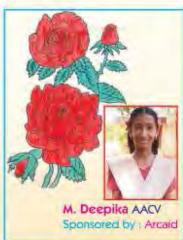
Creating a social responsibility among the Young Mind is a part of educational program of all the units of Boys Town Society. Students of various units organized a rally to create awareness about the preventive measures of Dengue Fever. They also distributed pamphlets describing the do's and Don'ts to prevent the dengue fever. Villagers appreciated the students of Boys Town Society. Thank you children for your social consciousness.

#### STATE BANK OF INDIA DONATION



Recently, The Manager of State Bank of India, Thirumangalam donated Rs. 10,000/- for our Children's Festival Celebrations. Thank you Sir for your support to Boys Town Society.







#### HOME MANAGEMENT MEETING

As per the Juvenile Justice Act, we are expected to form a Home Management committee under the DCPU. In the Home Management Committee meeting the concerned staff of the Institution (warden/supervisor) explained the day to day activities of the Institution. An officer in charge from DCPU participated and gave necessary guidance on child welfare works.

#### ASHA FOR EDUCATION SUPPORT TO BTS



We express our hearty thanks to ASHA for Education, SWISS to BTS. Mr. Damodharan, one of the members of ASHA Education had visited our FMNP School and interacted with our staff and children about their studies and their daily activities. Also he looked around upcoming new building of our FMNP School.

#### INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY WITH BTS



International Yoga Day was celebrated in our Boys Town Society. Our children created awareness among their friends and presented the importance of "Yoga" in a day to day human life by demonstrating different asanas in the respective schools where they are studying. School Teachers and other students appreciated the students from Boys Town for their Yoga Practice. Well done children.

## OUR NEW TRUSTEE FROM JOE HOMAN CHARITY UK



Mr. Arun Chinnaiah, Trustee from Joe Homan Charity UK visited all our local units, our FMNP School. He interacted with our children about their family background and how they are in the units, facilities available to them etc., Our children interacted freely with him as he is from a Tamil Community.

#### SUCCESS STORY



Mr. S. Veerappan S/o. Mr. A. Shanmugam from Mochikulam, Kuraiyur had joined TBT in 2000, completed his 10<sup>th</sup> standard and continued his Apprenticeship, studied D.EEE in Govt Polytechnic College, Ooty. Now he is working as a Junior Engineer in Central Electric Board – Power Grids, Wind Mill Project at Nagpur. "I am well settled in my life because of Boys Town, I will never forget Boys Town Society and its support for my career. I would like to keep in touch with Boys Town throughout my entire life" - Veerappan expressed the above mentioned words.

#### **KUZHANTHAIGAL KONDATTAM-2016**



Networking with other NGO's who have similar objectives of assisting the children is considered as important by BTS. To strengthen this concept, we have been celebrating Children Festival every year. This year we have celebrated this festival on 26.11.2016 at our FRANCOIS MEYER NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL premises.

T. Nagadevi, Inner Wheel Girls' Town, delivered her welcome address. Mr. James, Founder & Correspondent, St. Assisi World School, Madurai was the Chief Guest for the celebration. Our students from FMNPS, Tirumangalam Boys Town, Inner Wheel Girls Town welcomed our Chief Guests and the participants by their sizzling dance performances. This year 96 Children from 8 Organizations participated and exhibited their cultural talents. Mr. Arul Kumar, Social Worker, District Child Protection Unit, Madurai presented the prizes to the winners. TELC, Usilampatti secured I Prize Rs. 2000/- and the "NaThaM" Rolling trophy. Gandhi Ashramam secured the II prize of Rs. 1500/-, 3rd prize went to Inba Seva Sangam, Karur. Mentally challenged children from M.S. Chellamuthu Trust, Madurai had shown their cultural talents which was appreciated by all. A.Thavamanikrishnan, TBT proposed vote of thanks.

#### **PARENTS MEETING 2016**



Feedback from the parents about their children helps to achieve and train up our children in both academic and non-academic activities. Twice in every year parents' meeting was conducted in our François Meyer School and also in our Boys Town, Girls Town and the Children's Villages. Parents are encouraged to give their comments and suggestions for the improvement of our day to day function.

#### CLUBS IN BTS



Our children are formed as a group under different clubs like Science Club, Stamp Collection Club, Drawing Club and Craft Club etc., to develop their talents.

#### **CELEBRATIONS IN FMNPS**



Every year our children are celebrating color day program as they were asked to attend the class in the specific color dress and also bring some materials in the same color. During the Independence Day and Republic Day celebrations our children are encouraged to exhibit their talents in programs like fancy dress, speech and dance. Also our children celebrated Teacher's Day on 5th September 2016 by honouring their teachers with greeting cards and Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Birthday on 15th October 2016.





COMPETITIONS



LIFE SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



During March 2016, Our children from FMNP School participated in "Inter School Competition" held at SBOA Matric Hr. Sec. School at Madural and won prizes in various competitions.



Life skills development program was organized for 9th standard students of all the units at FMNP School. Students participated with enthusiastically and imbibed various skills. Our General Secretary conducted the session.

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#### TRAINING PROGRAMS TO OUR CHILDREN

Mr. Badriseshadri, publisher, Kizhakku Pathipagam conducted a training programme on science developments in the world to our students of IWGT & TBT. He explained some important techniques of science using powerpoints like usage of magnet to make electricity, silicon usage in various materials, enlarged view of the insects like ant, spider etc. Our students clarified their doubts about microwave oven working systems, how refrigerator, air conditioner gets cooling etc. Mr. Badri explained science behind these machines in a clear way. Thank you Mr. Badri and our children seek your delibrations often.





Our 10<sup>th</sup> standard students had a special training programme on career counseling. The program was conducted by Mr. Arunachalam, Chennai. He explained some techniques and valuable ideas for the students through some stories and helped the students to decide their higher studies which will be apt for them.

#### STAFF TRAINING



BTS staff had 2 days training program in Anugraha Dindigul, on child care from Fr. Wilson, Mr. Dhanasekarapandian - DCPO explained about the child protective measures.

Mr. P. Arunachalam conducted a training programme to the staff members on setting the goals to lead a successful life.

SPECIAL TRAINING TO OUR FOSTER
MOTHERS AND ASST WARDENS



## M. Yuvaraj 9" Std NBT Spensored by Mr. & Mrs. B. Basham





Our Foster Mothers and Asst. Wardens had a special training from our General Secretary Dr. P.N. Narayana Raja about how to take care of the children and how to handle their problems etc. Also they had a clear view regarding the monthly accounts handling.

#### **OUR LOCAL DONORS**



On 15" August 2016, Mrs. Sundaraselvi Ochadevar, Founder of OSMR Trust, Tirumangalam has donated emergency lights, school bags, sound system with amplifier, microphone and speaker to our Rengasamy Children's Village. During December 2016, Arulmigu Adhi Parasakthi Siddhar Peedam, Pannaikadu donated woollen sweaters to our boys of Pannaikadu Boys Town.

#### LOCAL VOLUNTEERS - A WAY TO STRENGTHEN THE PROJECT



This year we conducted Annual Medical Checkup in all the units through voluntary Service rendered by different kind hearted volunteer Physicians. We bow our head down and express our prayers to these volunteers.

ABT - Dr. M. Shivakumar, Athoor.

NBT - Dr. S. Alaguraj, S. Thummalapatti,

PKBT - Dr. S. Sarathy, Pannaikadu.

RBT - Dr. M. Sakthipriya, Rajapalayam.

TBT - Dr. N. Boominathan, Tirumangalam.

IWGT - Dr. M. Vijayalakshmi, Tirumangalam.

AACV - Dr. R. Mahalakshmi, J. Pudhukottai.

RCV - Dr. M. Vijayalakshmi, Tirumangalam.



#### CELEBRATIONS IN BTS



Our children celebrated "Teachers Day" on 5th September 2016, "Childrens day" on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's Birthday 14" November 2016 and also Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's Birthday on 15" October 2016. Children of Boys Town offered prayers to Goddess Saraswathi and Lord Vinayagar. They made handmade clay statues of Vinayagar and a competition was organized among the children from different rooms in all the units of making best statues of Lord Vinayaga. Our children celebrated Christmas on 25" December in a grand manner.



#### BOYS TOWN SOCIETY IN MEDIA

ஒன்றிய வினையாட்டு போட்டி

#### கரிசல்பட்டி பள்ளி மாணவிகள் முகலிடம்







நிலக்கோட்டையில்

யோகா பயிற்சி முகாம் Broken Care 18 Des. 18-

இலக்கோட்டை சவுராஷ்டிரா நடுநினவப் பள்ளியும். நீவகினட்டையாள்ஸ்டவுள்விடுதியும்இணைஞ்சுசிரப்புகோன பயிற்கி முகாம் நடத்தது. பன்னி தானாளர் கதூகரன் தலைமை நாய்கினார். பள்ளி தலைமை ஆசிரியர் விஜயகுமார் விடுநி காப்பாளர் ராஜா ஆகியோர் முன்னிலை வகித்தனர் பயிற்சியில் முச்சுபவிற்சி,தினைவு அந்நல் பயிற்சி, தந்காப்பு பயிற்சி உள்ளிட்ட பல்வேறு பயிற்சியாணவர்களுக்கு அளிக்கப்பட்டது. ிகில் பள்ளி அசிரியர்கள் உள்பட பவர் கலந்து கொண்டனர்.



#### पाळाबांकां दि है। असी भी हो पाळा

நிலை வெட்டை உறு என்ற நடந்திரையான வி மானவர் உறக்கின்ன நிறுக்கை கோட்டை பாண்டி விடுத் மானவர்களும் அதுவண் தோ தோட்டை பருக் தின் நிறுக்கும் நிறுவனர் தொடியை நிறுக்கு தின் நடித்து முன்னிட்டு பெயுக் விடுப்புணர் ஏ பேரண் நடிக்கார் பளவி நாளாளர் தர்ப்பும் நடிக்கு தாங்கினார் பளவி நக்கல்கார் சிரியர் விது விற்றி சட்டாள் ராறு மற்றும்கள் கல்லு சொ

#### ESPORTKOON Pr **துழந்தைகள்** விழா

மதுரை, டி.ச.14-2016 இருமங்கலம் பாய்ஸ் சொகைட்டியின் L 52/551 பிரான்ஸ் வாமெய்யர் பள்ளியில் குழந்தைகள் 6) 35 17 GOOT L 17 L L LD 15 L 15 551.

மதுரை புனிக அசிசி உலக பள்ளி நிறுவனர் Beginaiu ஜேம்ஸ் வகித்தார். 556006060010 இதான் (B) நிறுவனங்களில் தங்கி பயிலும் மாணவர்க ளுக்குள் பரஸ்பர கட்பு. BLOLD BOOKS. தணித்தி Deorlosoul வளர்க்கும் வகையில் நிகழ்ச்சி நடந் நது. சமூக சேவகர் அருள் 3LDMT பங்கேற்றார். வெற்றி பெற்றவர்க ளுக்கு பரிசுகள் வழங்கப் 111 1 601.



#### SPORTS MEET 2016



Sports Meet 2016 for the Inner Wheel Girls Town and EFL Projects were conducted in Antony Ab's Childrens Village on 19" November 2016. Girls from Inner Wheel Girls Town and EFL projects participated in various games like Kabbadi, Kho-kho, Tennicoit, Throw Ball, Javelin, Discuss, Shortput, Chess, Carom etc. Senior girls from Antony Ab's Childrens Village also participated in these sports events and gave a strong competitions to their seniors. The programme was inaugurated by Mrs. Manimekalai, Headmistress, Panchayat Union Middle School, J. Pudukottai & Mrs. Chandra, Member, District Child Protection Unit, participated as guest. Sports Meet 2016 for the Boys Towns and EFL Projects were conducted in Rajapalayam Boys Town on 25th December 2016. The Boys participated in various events, Mr. B.S. Devanath, District Child Production Officer, Mr. V. Ramkumar Raja, Founder, Thuli Trust, Dr. N. Kalyani, Founder, Thiyan Baby participated as guest. Mr. Raja and Mr. Muthumanikam conducted the programs.

#### **OUR HEARTY THANKS TO KIND DONORS**



#### Murali Raja & Ramakrishna Raja - Generous Hearted Personalities

A phone call from Ramakrishna Raja about the arrival of Murali Raja from Central Africa instantly pushed me to invite him to our Sports Meet. Murali Raja attended our Sports Meet and witnessed our activities. On seeing the enthusiastic children and on listening to our work with children donated Rs. 1,00,003/-.

Earlier Ramakrishna Raja our member donated Rs. 50,001/- to our school. We express our gratitude to both kind hearted personalities.



Mr. P.G. Alagarsamy, our Treasurer and his wife A. Vijayalakshmi has donated Rs. 25,000/- for the school, already they have donated Rs. 25,000/-.

Mr. Subburathinam, our member, visited our office. We explain him the need for Tables & Chairs to our children. He was kind enough to donate Rs. 20,000/- for the school.



#### OUR HEARTY THANKS TO THE LOCAL SPONSORS

- 1. Dr. P.N. Narayana Raja, General Secretary, BTS
- 2. Mr. P.R. Vijayaraghavaraja, Rajapalayam
- 3. Mrs. N. Krishnaveni, Pondicherry
- 4. Mr. M.S. Prabakaran, Theni
- 5. Dr. S. Alaguraj, Nilakottai
- 6. Mr. S. Umamageswaran, Rajapalayam
- Mr. S.K. Balasubramania Raja, Sankarankovil
- Mr. M. Sivakumar & Ms. I. Sri Gayathri, Bangalore
- 9. Mrs. T. Dhanapackiyam, Tirumangalam

Mrs. R. Renganayaki's family has been offering their support continuously to BTS from the very beginning. She served as the Correspondent of our school. On behalf of her family she donated Rs. 20,000/- for the school.



#### பேசுங்கள்...

காயிடம் அன்பாக பேசுங்கள் தந்தையிடம் பண்பாக பேசுங்கள் ஆசிரியரிடம் பணிவாக பேசுங்கள் உறவினர்களிடம் கனிவாக பேசுங்கள் இறைவனிடம் மௌனமாக பேசுங்கள்

நீங்கள் பேசுவது மற்றவர்களுக்கு

புரியும்படி பேசுங்கள் !



9th Std. NBT Spensored by Mr. & Mrs. S. Stevens

### BTS Expresses its gratitude to all the Donors

"You can be a friend"

#### Your donations lights the lives of hundreds of children

28,000/- (which includes over all

Annual expenditure per child).

25,000/- (Annual Expenses for a child at BTS,

excluding Capital Work)

15,000/- (Annual Expenses for a child-Food, Education)

10,000/- (Food expenses alone for a child)

4,000/- (Per day special food expenses for all

students in a boys town)

3,000/- (Per day food expenses

all students in a boys town)

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