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MUDHIYOR BALAR KUDUMBA GRAMA PANNAI

(Family Village Farm)

A Registered Charitable Society for destitute Children, Women and Aged (Estd 1969)



But to do good and to communicate forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Hebrew 13:16

On Sunday, June 4, 2017,

Founder's Birth Centenary Celebration

MBKG Pannai family gathered with board members, staff, alumni and present residents to commemorate the birth centenary of its founder *Dr. Pauline E. King* who was fondly called by them as 'mummy'; a God sent ambassador who touched and transformed hundreds of destitute children with His unconditional love and compassion; an Angel of God who instilled hope into hopeless lives, comforted the troubled and brightened their future. A Birth Centenary Brochure and a Bookmark was released in memory of Dr. Pauline King.



June 4, 1917 – June 4, 2017

of the founder and one of the pioneers of MBKG Pannai Home spoke passionately about her association with Dr. Pauline King. Former and present deans of College of Nursing, Christian Medical College, Dr. Chellarani Vijayakumar and Dr. Selva Titus Chacko shared their personal experience with Dr. Pauline King. Mr. Ravikumar and Rev. Paul Ravikumar, Alumni of MBKGP Home brought back good memories of their upbringing by their Mummy, Dr. Pauline King.

Mrs. Pattabhiraman, a close friend









"Triggered Talents" an ART PROJECT BY A VOLUNTEER

As an art facilitator from the UK charity Articulate, I have just returned from running art workshops for 7 months in India. Partnered with local charity Seb's Project India, I was introduced to MBKGP and straight away I knew I wanted to introduce an art project to the boys at their hostel in Kasam. I knew I would be able to allow children to explore and express themselves in a safe and fun environment.

Each boy was given the opportunity to make their mark on the walls of the boys' hostel. Whether it be drawing a design and painting it or learning that abstract thinking and imagination can actually be really fun and produce exciting ideas. This project has been a great way to get creative, share, work within a team and learn new ideas from each other. What was a dull and dingy room is now transformed with splashes of colour into an exciting and fun space where the boys' artwork is permanently exposed.

I would be greeted every Monday evening by the enthusiastic boys with warm smiles and eager to carry all of the materials upstairs to begin the magic. Spending time with these children has been about them discovering the process of art, for them to learn about themselves creatively and the importance of expressing their individuality. Art doesn't always have to mean a 'beautiful' end result, as people expect, although if you see the hostel walls beauty bounces off the walls.

"I didn't expect that I could do anything as good as this!" D Babu, 15 When asked which part they painted, the boys run around the room excited pointing to their large bold brushstrokes to their small intricate designs. I think we are all surprised and excited at how the walls inside the boys' hostel in Kasam have turned out. The boys stand proud and happy. POWER TO ART!





Boats, Giraffe, Sun, Motorbikes, and Cars, Abstract designs, Hand prints, Flowers and Stars.



Blue, Green, Pink, Yellow and Gold, each wall has a story to be told.



Little, big, old and young, the boys' hostel now looks so fun!



The organization continues to hold the status of the best "Integrated Complex of Special Homes for Senior Citizens and Destitute Children" in the district awarded by the state government of Tamil Nadu.

New addition to the MBKG Pannai Family



Ms. Marthammal **House Mother**



Akilesh – 6 Months



Jagadeesan 2 years







Parthiban - 4 years Saravanan - 3 years Ajay - 3 years Vickramaraja - 4 years

1 Elder, 1 House Mother and 12 Children were admitted to the Home















Mrs. Lalitha - 67 Elizabeth - 4 years Thilothama - 2 years Keerthi - 3 years Saraswathy – 10 months Anitha - 3 years Iniya – 4 years

Sponsorship Programme enables children have a healthy and a safe environment to grow-up in a family set up with good values. It also helps children to access quality education and gives freedom to brighter future. The love and sense of belonging experienced by the children through their sponsors transform their lives by helping them find their identity and self-worth.

Sponsor a Child / a House Mother / an Elder for Rs. 1500 or US\$ 35 / £ 20 per month

By sponsoring a child,

- You build a personal connection with your sponsored children through exchange of letters and greeting cards.
- See progress of the children through videos, photos and updates from the sponsorship office.
- And life changing opportunity to visit your sponsored children.

You may contact the Sponsorship Coordinator at mbkgpsponsorship@gmail.com

Higher Education – Children who joined university courses this academic year in June 2017



Alex Diploma in Radiography Technology, **Christian Fellowship** Hospital, Oddanchatran



Dharuman and Sivakarthi **Diploma in Medical Records Technology Christian Fellowship Hospital, Oddanchatram**



Janakiraman **Christian Medical** College, Vellore



Prakash in Arts (English) in Voorhees College, Vellore



Jeeva Diploma in Nursing, Bachelor's Degree Electrician Course Diploma in Nursing at Montfort ITI, Chennai



Haripriya **School of Nursing Oddanchatram**

Employment



Vasudevan **Electrician** Montfort College Integrated Roofing Pvt Ltd, Bangalore



Reuban Welder Chennai



Archana **Medical Records Tech Christian Fellowship** Hospital, Oddanchatram

Our vision is to ensure holistic development of children by meeting their needs in all areas of life. Educational need is one of the pivotal area which will enable them to become worthwhile individuals in the society with self-respect.

We express our heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors who support these children from a very young age and to our donors who contribute towards higher education fund.

Currently, we have 16 children that are studying university courses at various institutions. It's a huge challenge to meet the ever growing cost of educating the children at university level.

For your contribution to Higher Education Fund you may contact

KING'S SCHOOL



STAFF RETREAT

The new academic year 2017-18 was started with an all staff retreat on 31st May 2017 at MBKG Pannai campus. The guest speaker was Pastor Noel Prabhu Raj, National Director, VBS Ministries, Bangalore. He spoke on "Benefits of working together" and explained how working together brings comfort in Roles, Relationship and Responsibilities of teachers and leaders.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

On July 3, 2017 the deserving young leaders of the school were bestowed with the responsibility of managing students' affairs from the forefront. The student leaders, captains and vice captains were sworn in and received their Badges. The principal spoke on the four domains of leadership, why Leaders Lead, What Leaders think, What Leaders do and How Leaders stay on track.





SCAT EXAM TOPPER

Brain Power Academy conducted a State Level Common Ability Test (SCAT) for students at different levels. G.S Naveen Kumar of class 8 topped in the test from Vellore District. The other participants of school received certificates of appreciation.



ZONAL & DISTRICT SPORTS

Students participated and won at the Zonal level in the following games - Kabaddi, Ball badminton, Volley Ball and Basket Ball. NARESHKUMAR of class 8 came first in district level and second in divisional level tournament in 200m running race and he has been selected to represent the School at State level tournament.



VOLUNTEERS FROM U.K

Mrs. Samantha Boyton and Ms. Lucy Myton, volunteers from U.K spent two months in King's School and taught the students the skills of Art, Craft and Drama. The students who participated in the Art programme were awarded with certificates by Ms. Lucy. Students who were trained by Mrs. Samantha did a play on Noah's Ark.

FACULTY EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME

A faculty empowerment workshop was organized by 'Ratna Sagar', the book publishers to equip teachers with the tools and techniques for effective teaching and to prepare them for their role as motivators, facilitators and mentors to help students to achieve excellence in learning. The resource person was Mr. James Sundar Raj, Head of the Dept. of English, Loyola college, Chennai. He covered aspects such as Instructional Skills, Inter- personnel Skills, Language Skills- both writing and speaking, the method of teaching, Involving students in activities.

SPORTS DAY

Mr. AROCKIAM, Deputy Superintend of Police, Vellore division was the chief guest. He encouraged students to participate in various sports and games. After hoisting the Olympic flag, National flag and School flag by the chief guest, the school authorities, captains of the four houses declared their motto. After the meet was declared open, the torch was lit and a victory run was taken out. The achievers of the year 2017-18 were awarded.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

On August 15, Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and respect. To commemorate the sovereignty of our nation, the chief guest Rev. Dr. Deenabhandu Manchala, Area executive, Southern Asia, Global Ministries unfurled the tricolour flag and all in unison sang the flag song and expressed the joy of freedom followed by cultural programme and drill. The chief guest gave away prizes to the winners of different competitions.

AGARAM EDUCATINAL TRUST

Agaram Educational Trust, Trichy had conducted competition on 'Tamil Literacy 'at different levels of students. Many of the students participated in the competition and were awarded with medals and certificates.

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Celebrate your Birthdays, Anniversaries and Special Occasions with our residents by sponsoring a special meal or a snack.



A huge thanks to all those who sponsored special meal and snacks

To sponsor a meal / a snack...

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(9am – 5pm) or by e-mail to mbkgpdirector@gmail.com mbkgpsponsorship@gmail.com

Cost of a meal or snacks:

Breakfast - Rs. 3500 Vegetarian Meal - Rs. 5500 Non Vegetarian Meal - Rs. 8500 Snacks / Ice - Cream - Rs. 2500

ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

On 28th September 2017, the annual general body meeting was held at MBKG Pannai. Most of the board members were present, with the Bishop of CSI Vellore Diocese Rt. Rev. Dr. A Rajavelu chairing the meeting. The Secretary and the Treasurer presented their annual report and budget respectively. The members appreciated the reports and as always gave their suggestions for further development of the organization.



The board thanked the stepping down Secretary Mr. Tharyan Koshi and the Treasurer Mr. Robby Pria Sunder Singh for their service to the organization and welcomed the new Secretary Dr. Lallu Joseph, the new Treasurer Mr. Anburaj Jayakumar and the new King's School Correspondent Mr. Durai Jasper from Christian Medical College, Vellore.

VISITOR FROM THE GLOBAL MINISTRIES, USA



Rev. Dr. Deenabandhu Manchala, the Southern Asia Area Executive of the Global Ministries visited the Home in August and interacted with the children and elders.



Rev. Dr. Deenabandhu with his daughter Amrita and niece Dr. Annie