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#### Dear Well Wishers of DBAI,

My warmest greetings to you. I pray all of you are in the pink of health, peace and joy.

On the occasion of international World peace day (September 21), we must spare a thought to all the places in the world where peace has been suppressed by war and bloodshed. Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Russia, Manipur, Kerala, Kashmir and many more places that urgently need the healing touch of God Almighty. Our loving Father created this paradise called Earth not for war, but for peace. Sadly, humanity is losing its sense of empathy, brotherhood and inclusiveness. God sent His only Son to save the world and bring peace into this world. That's why Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ summed up the purpose of life by giving us a new commandment to live by. He said, "Love your God and love your neighbour". Let us remember these words of divine wisdom and end all needless fighting and pray for peace in the world, peace in our country, peace in society and most importantly peace in our families.

To conclude, let me quote our beloved St. Mother Theresa of Calcutta, who lovingly said, "The fruit of prayer is the deepening of faith, and the fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service, and the fruit of service is peace. Works of love are works of peace.



I wish every one of you a happy and meaningful International Day of Peace in the World.

Lovingly,

Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, sdb.

# **Prayer for World Peace**



All Faith Prayer for international peace and happiness was organized by Bosco Illam Scout (open) troop on 2nd September 2023. Children read scriptures from holy books and offered prayer of unity

#### **Best wishes!**



Don Bosco Anbu Illam and HCL Foundation Police Boys and Girls Club project team honoured Selvi. Kanishri, student of Thiru. Vi. Ka Nagar Police Boys and Girls Club for being selected to play in the 2023 Paralympic in China. Felicitation ceremony held at Bosco Illam on 2nd September 2023 in which her father and club in charge were also honoured by the management.

#### **Staff Capacity Building**



Knowing the meaning for 'I' in life is key for transformation. Capacity building for staff members held at Bosco Illam on 2nd September 2023. Mr. Selvendhiran, Associate Director of Don Bosco Niraivagam Psychological Services animated the staff by conducting think session, situation games and team activities.

#### Birthday of Fr. Nelson



Birthday of Rev. Fr. Albert Nelson Kumar sdb, the Asst. Director of Don Bosco Anbu Illam was celebrated in a noble manner at Bosco Illam on 2nd September 2023. Children and staff members gave wonderful programs in honour of his service.

# **Count Your Blessings!**



Don Bosco Anbu Illam, Chennai is blessed with a new four wheeler. Rev. Fr. Nelson blessed and dedicated the vehicle for the mission during a solemn occasion in Bosco Illam on 2nd September 2023.

#### YaR Awards 2023



Don Bosco Anbu Illam received Social Media Award during Don Bosco YaR Forum annual awards ceremony held at Don Bosco Youth Animation Centre, Ennore on 20th September 2023

# Jailer Movie Noon



Children from Bosco Illam and Saranalayam were taken out for a sponsored movie noon on 10th September 2023. Special thanks to MD and team of Sun TV Network Limited for giving our children a memorable moment.







#### Reunion gives new enthusiasm!



Don Bosco Anbu Illam Past Pupils' meet was held at Don Bosco Anbu Illam Royapuram Campus today. The reunion was attended by Directors of the past and present, former staff members and alumni of long decades. A solemn holy Eucharist was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Vincent Xavier Mariapragasam sdb, Founder and the First Director of Don Bosco Anbu Illam along with other Priests associated with the mission. A rich sharing of friendship and belongingness was witnessed during the occasion

## Scout Camp Inauguration



Quarterly Scout Camp 2023 was inaugurated at State Head Quarters - Wenlock Park, Triplicane on 22nd October 2023 by Rev. Dr. Thomas Mariaraj DCC, Don Bosco Scout District in the presence of Fr. Andrews and Fr. Nelson

## **Exposure Visit**



Scout troop visited Swami Vivekananda Memorial House, Triplicane today as part of Quarterly scout camp on 22nd October 2023

#### **Road Traffic Awareness**





Bosco Illam Scout troop organized Road Traffic awareness along with Traffic Police near Marina Beach on 22nd October 2023



Awareness program on menstrual hygiene and personal care for women self-help group members was organized at Ice House Out –reach center on 6th October 2023. Doctors and nurses from UPHC along with Don Bosco Anbu Illam conducted this event.

# Birth Anniversary of Dr. Kalam



On 15th October 2023, Thiruvottiyur center celebrated Dr. Kalam's birth anniversary in a noble way. Our children actively participated in various competitions held in honor of his memory.

#### Eye camp

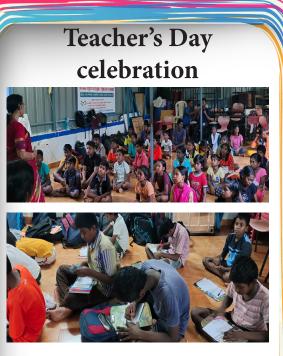


On 25th October 2023, eye camp was organized at Nochi Nagar with the support of India Vision Institute. A total of 47 local residents got benefitted out of which 5 cases were referred for cataract removal and 36 people received free power glass and rest received eye care medicines.

#### Environmental Education



On 2nd September 2023, the students from J9 Thuraipakkam Police Girls and Boys Club were trained on environmental protection and horticulture it was organized by HCL Foundation along with Tide Company.



On 3rd September 2023 at T-16 Semmanchery Police Boys and Girls Club, on the occasion of Teacher's Day, the students gave Greeting cards to the club teachers and wished them. The event was organized by the volunteer teachers of the club Ms. Sujatha and Ms. Rajeshwari. Ms. Alamelu Jayaraman, retired teacher was the chief guest. The students were glad to give greeting cards to their teachers.

# U23 Open Athletic Championship

On October 22nd, 2023, our athletic girl, Ms. Mariya Nivetha, participated in the U23 Open Athletic Championship held in Bangalore and secured a gold medal in 100m.



The Lifeskills TOT session was held at Ennore on September 15th and 16th, 2023. Alumni and Community staff from 12 clubs actively participated in the session. The session was skilfully conducted by Mr. Jeyapaul, facilitated and actively engaged all the participants. He placed significant emphasis on the ten core life skills, providing valuable insights and practical applications. To reinforce these concepts, a series of interactive activities were organized to ensure a comprehensive understanding. The participants had the opportunity to share their valuable feedback, ensuring that future sessions can be even more tailored to their needs and preferences



#### Scouts Rajyapuraskar Training Camp





The Rajyapuraskar Training Camp, a collaborative initiative by HCL Foundation, Don Bosco Anbu Illam, and STEDS took place from 29th September to 2nd October 2023, at Keeranur, Puthukottai. The Rajyapuraskar Training Camp promised to be a significant gathering of our Scouts and Guides, with a total of 20 Scouts and 24 Guides from the Police Girls and Boys Club and STEDS. The event aims to foster leadership, teamwork and outdoor skills among the participants while promoting a sense of community and service.

#### **Rising Rugby Stars**



Ms. Akshaya and Ms. Divya who were selected to attend the Indian National



Rugby U18 Boys and Girls Rugby Camp in Odisha, have been selected to represent India at the Asia Rugby U18 Sevens Trophy held from 30th September to 1st October 2023 in Taoyuan, Chinese Taipei.

# Honouring our achievers



HCL Foundation - Sports For Change National Meet was held in Noida, in which our T15 Kannagi Nagar Police Girls and Boys Club Volleyball players participated and won the Runner Up Trophy. Furthermore, on 21st September 2023, the achievers were invited and honoured by Dr. A. Amalraj I.P.S., Commissioner of Police Tambaram City Police at his office and gifted Rs.2000/-.

#### **Chess Tournament**



In honour of 154th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, U14 & U17 Category Chess Tournament was held on 2nd October 2023 at

K 8 Arumbakkam Police Girls and Boys Club. Overall, 64 club children sportively participated in the tournament.



## International Girl Child Day



On12th October 2023 International Girl Child Day was celebrated in all Police Boys and Girls Clubs. Overall, it was a great opportunity to promote the rights and well-being of girls and encourage them to pursue their dreams.

## **Investiture Ceremony**

First investiture ceremony of Government Girls Model Higher Secondary School held at Tonakela Campsite, Avadi conducted by Don Bosco Anbu Illam - HCL Foundation Scout group. 54 Students happily participated in the ceremony. As per the Scouts and Guides movement, the students promised and accepted to be a part of Bharat Scouts and Guides Association. The Guides were given badge and scarf in the presence of their Scouts and Guides Masters. Mr. Prijo, Group Manager, HCL Foundation, Fr. Nelson Asst. Director, Mrs. Prema, HM, our project team members and HCL Foundation Scout Masters and Guide Captains supported this event.

#### HCL Tech Board Member visit



On 21st October 2023, Mr. Simon John, HCL Tech – Board Committee Member visited Kannagi Nagar Police Boys and Girls Club. Special guests for the event were Dr. P.A. Moorthy, I.P.S., Joint Commissioner of Police – Tambaram City Police, Smt. Vaishnavi – Assistant Commissioner of Police, Semmenchery Range, Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, Executive

Director – DBAI and Ms. Malar, Regional Director – HOPE foundation. DBAI – HCLF project members were also present during the visit.

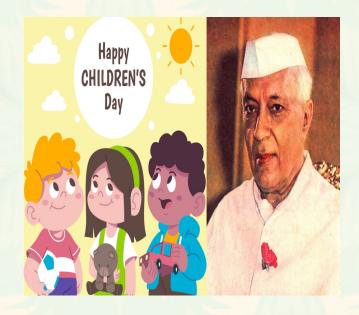


#### **BDG District Match**

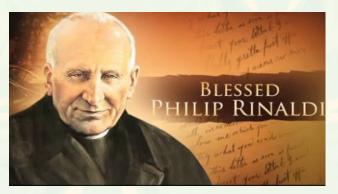
On 11th October 2023, our women's Kabaddi U14 and U17 teams participated in the BDG district match and the U14 team won the district match and qualified for the state.



# **Events & Celebrations**









TRISHUL DEFENCE ACADEMY





#### Obituary Advocate Lalitha Member, Child Welfare Committee – Chennai North Bench

# Happy Birthday



Rev. Fr. Andrews Stephen Raj, sdb. Executive Director – DBAI

Happy Children's Day to All My Dear Students. I Feel Blessed To Serve the Future of the Nation.

# Thank You Readers

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