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September – October – November – December 2012



September

Game Changer



The MHC was attended by cricketing legends Muthiah Muralidaran, Kumar Sangakkara, Mahela Jayawardena, Lasith Malinga, Nuwan Kulasekera, Dinesh Chandimal and Angelo Mathews.



MONTH IN PICTURES



The Murali Harmony Cup moved to the North for the very first time, with cricket matches across five venues in Jaffna, Vavuniya, Mankulam, Kilinochchi and Oddusuddan.



Preparing for MHC



School grounds from Mankulam, Kilinochchi, Oddusuddan, Vavuniya and Jaffna had their infrastructure specially developed for the event, with field developments and the construction of pavilions, dugouts, scoreboards, sight screens and side nets taking place.



Mr. Tony Matharu (Chairman of the Grange Hotels in London) lent his support in developing the flagship venue for the Murali Harmony Cup final in Oddusuddan through his charity IODR who sponsored an impressive pavilion plus three outdoor cricket nets.

The Murali Harmony Cup took place between the 8th and 12th of September and was made up of 35 matches at 5 venues with the participation of 20 cricket teams and close to 300 players in action.

8 under 23 ladies teams and 12 under 19 men's teams participated, and having battled it out for four days the final was played between the Jaffna Combined Team and St. Peters College Colombo in the U19 Mens' category and between 'Shakthi' Anuradhapura Combined team and the Army Ladies in the U23 Ladies category.

The St Peters College team and SL Army Ladies came out as the overall champions.

Murali Harmony Cup

The Games Begin



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INSPIRING MOMENTS FROM THE MHC





HSBC Community Aid Volunteer Group conducted workshops for the Pre School CGC, English Class, IT, Business Skills, Women's Empowerment and Sports



Lahiru Pre-School celebrates World Children's Day

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Neethipuram Village Development

A team from FoG conducted a detailed research project in the village of Neethipuram to collect data concerning population statistics.

It also took place as a forerunner to the planned construction to take place there, revamping the water and sanitation system in the village.

Following the research the FoG plan to renovate and rebuild wells and toilets to elevate the villagers' standard of living.



Sector of the month

Rebuilding Lives Project with the Psycho-Social Team

The Rebuilding Lives Project run by the FoG Psycho-Social Team conducted a workshop for the Akurala and Kahawa Children's Goodness Club members.

They also performed a mental health awareness play in Galle in association with Karapitiya Hospital Senior Psychiatrist Dr. Ramani to promote World Mental Health Day.



Unity Tour and Fundraiser



One of FoG’s strongest donors in association with Shangri-La Hotels, the Singapore Cricket Club and Emirates Airlines organized the Unity Cup Tour and fundraiser in Singapore.



The Unity Fundraiser consisted of multiple events including a coaching camp by Murali, Kumar and Russell Arnold for young children, an intimate lunch and Q&A with the cricketers at the SCC and a Banquet and auction at the Shangri-La hotel.

Unity Team tours Singapore



A spin off from the Murali Harmony Cup, the Unity Tour features a team made up of the most talented youth to come out of the Murali Harmony Cup, who under the training of Head Coach Kumar Sangakkara took on the Singapore Cricket Club and the Lanka Lions Cricket Club and came out the undefeated champions.

THE MOST INSPIRING STORY OF THE MONTH



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CGC Handicrafts Exhibition



Pre-School Crafts Exhibition



IT WORKSHOP



A computer literacy workshop was held for the staff of Sri Wimalabuddhi Maha Vidyalaya by the FoG Computer Training Unit in order to alleviate the standards of the local schools while encouraging them to make use of modern technological development to streamline school activity.





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World-wide Art Competition Winner

9 year old Parami Apsara won a worldwide drawing competition conducted by Laureus Sports for Good Foundation for the beneficiaries of their multitude of international projects/

Her design is engraved into the reverse case of 2500 'Portofino Chronograph Edition Laureus Sport for Good Foundation', special edition watches from IWC Schaffhausen, the sale of which brings in more funds for the Laureus projects.

A delegation from Laureus and IWC Schaffhausen lead by Steve Redgrave presented Parami with a Laureus T-shirt, a laptop and a framed photo of her winning art alongside the IWC watch with the photo engraved at the back.



Preschool Kite Festival

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Sector of the month



~ North Journey ~

16 toilets have now been renovated in the village of Neethipuram and a team of FoG staff and volunteers assisted in painting 12 of them this month.

Toys donated to the FoG were delivered to the Neethipuram preschool along with teaching aid materials and stationary.

Clothes and Sarees donated by Mr. and Mrs. Lal and Hiranthi Gunawardena from Australia, Dr. Renuka Fernando from USA, Dr. Naj Nagendran from USA and FoG Founder Trustee Mr. Kushil Gunasekera were made in to family packs and distributed among each household in the village along with sachets and bottles of Viva and Horlicks malted drink.

Sports gifts from Aviva and sachets and bottles of Viva and Horlicks malted drink was gifted to teachers and students at Mankulam Vidiyalayam.

Aleta and Samuel conducted an effective creative story telling and games hour at the Mankulam Girls Home

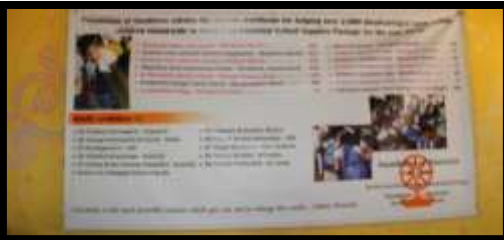


ESSP Deliveries for 2013 Begin

The First distribution of Essential School Supplies Packs for the 2013 school year took place in Weli Oya, Vavuniya.

200 school bags were distributed among students of:

Ehetugaswewa Vidyalaya
Etha Wetuna Wewa Vidyalaya
Janakapura Vidyalaya
Kiri Iban Wewa Vidyalaya
Sampath Nuwara Maha Vidyalaya.



GOODNESS STORE

In an attempt to generate an income to consolidate the sustainability of the FoG projects we have launched the Goodness Store at a coffee shop in Hikkaduwa.

It is currently the first of what we plan to be many such outlets made available at coffee shops and other public spaces, and will sell FoG memorabilia and Goodness items which can enrich your life.



Events



The RLP Team conducted a 'Sports Psychology' workshop with the Sports Academy staff



A new volleyball court was built by the FoG at the Sri Wimalabuddhi Maha Vidyalaya, Seenigama



Volunteers Simon and Elizabeth conducted a First Aid Programme for FOG Swimming, Diving and all MCC, Udumulla and Rathgama Sectors.



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Keppapulavu

Essential household items including 165 pots, 165 pans, 165 flasks, 165 water containers, 165 rice pots, 25 lecture chairs and 4 carrom boards, 5 petromax lamps, clothes, preschool items and food items were distributed among the villagers.

Additionally, 100 bikes were delivered with the help of worldwide donors and through Sanga's Bikes for Life initiative.



MONTH IN PICTURES



UNV volunteers

UNV head Natal and 9 United Nations Volunteers and 2 volunteers from the Asia Foundation joined Niomie, Fazana and Shankar from the FoG team to help out with development work in Mankulam and the village of Neethipuram

the volunteers spent two very productive days during which time they painted 10 toilets in Neethipuram, had games and activities with the villages and school children and visited the Achiram Orphanage in Kilinochchi for games, a sing-along and story time.



Sector of the month

The delivery of Essential School Supplies Packs (which include a school bag, school uniform, books, pens, pencils, pencil case, ruler, eraser, sharpener, colour pencils, box of mathematical instruments, crayons, lunch box, water bottle and a shoe voucher) have been taking place in a multitude of locations across the island in preparation for the coming school year.

By the end of December a total of 1031 ESSP packs were delivered to the North (including Kilinochchi, Mankulam and Mullaitivu), 534 to the East (including Ampara), 548 to the South and 279 to impoverished children in the West.





~ Shop Goodness ~



The FoG merchandise store was rebranded as Shop Goodness. It carries FoG memorabilia, Goodness Products and items crafted by the Women's Enterprise students. Shop Goodness is a sustainable income venture to support FoG activities/

The Australia Sri Lanka Medical Aid Team (AuSLMAT) headed by Dr. Sian Hughes conducted medical camps in the South and North. They had two medical camps in Seenigama, and two more in the Mankulam/ Killinochchi and Keppapilavu areas.

THE MOST INSPIRING STORY OF THE MONTH



Special Guests

The Symphony Orchestra collaborated with the FoG to facilitate students from Visuvamadu, Kilinochchi to visit Colombo. 30 students from grades 8-12 from the schools Ramanathapuram Maha Vidiyalayam & Visuvamadu Maha Vidiyalayam visited Colombo for 3 days during which time they visited Cinnamon Grand Hotel, a Symphony orchestra performance, Guruge Nature Park and toured Colombo.



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