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From Editor's Desk . . .

We are gearing up for the conduct of mega event – Gold Winner SYMA Child Fest, request you all to be there and help us in smooth conduct of this event for the school children. Full details and invitation are inside :

Indian culture respects women and from the medieval period – there have been highly successful women in every walk of the society. Yet they suffer harassment - is too well known. The tragic incident on 16th Dec 2012 in Munirka and the sad plight of a 23 year old physiotherapy intern moved the Nation... horror and shame revisited Delhi with the news of alleged gang-rape of a Danish tourist who lost her way near New Delhi railway station. There is news of 'Nirbheek' – a 500gm fire arm specially designed for protection of women priced approx 120000/- - that there is good demand for that, does not augur well.

In the Indian sea, the arrest of Indian fishermen has long been a source of concern – the agreement between India and Sri Lanka to empty their jails of each other's fishermen is an encouraging sign. A proper solution only would ensure the livelihoods of traditional fishermen who are already struggling due to depletion of resources. Indian Ocean hosts the world's most significant Sea Lanes of Communication and plays a pivotal role in the economy of the Nation – there is need for protecting our sovereignty.

On the sporting front, downunder (nothing about Indian Cricket tour to New Zealand !) – temperatures peaked to 110 degrees Fahrenheit causing stoppage of play at the outdoor courts with players crying out losing steam and energy. Back home, Pongal was celebrated with gaiety and on Kaanum Pongal day over 3 lakh people descended on the Marina beach. Police had made elaborate arrangements to manage the crowd. Traffic was effectively managed and crowds began thinning by late evening. In parts of Tamilnadu jallikattu took place. Going by newspaper reports, more than 50 persons were injured at the famous Alanganallur Jallikattu in Madurai. It is stated that In accordance with the Supreme Court guidelines, the organisers ensured no cruelty was meted out to the animals. The winners took home prizes ~ still the injuries do hurt us.

We organized eye camp for MOP School and for our Growth students – details of which are available inside. We invite you cordially for the Childfest and wish to see you all at the venue. - **With Regards – S. Sampathkumar.**

SYMA Childfest is near.... Full details are on our website www.syma.in.

We take this opportunity to thank the Event Sponsor 'Goldwinner' and our patron Mr CR Sredhar for the continued support.

All of you are requested to partake and make the event a grand success.



சைமா உறுப்பினர்களுக்கு
ஓர் இனிய வாய்ப்பு

கோல்டு வின்னர்- சைமா Childfest
நிகழ்ச்சிக்கு உங்கள் அனைவரையும்
அன்புடன் அழைக்கிறோம்.

அரங்கத்திற்கு வருகை தரும் நமது
உறுப்பினர்களுக்கு பரிசுகள் வெல்ல
வாய்ப்புள்ளது.

விழாவன்று உங்கள் வருகையை
பதிவு செய்து பரிசுகளை வெல்லுங்கள்!

மருத்துவப் பணியில் சைமா

Thiruvallikkeni has many famous schoolsbesides century old Hindu High School (Hr Sec & Sr sec), there is NKT Educational Institution (for Girls and Boys), Kellet Hr Sec - Samarao, Raghavendra, Rex, MOP and more..... remember your schooling days – the teacher and the black board....One can easily recall that there always were occasions when students struggled to clearly read what was written on the black board. According to experts, some children suffer from 'lazy eye syndrome'.

Lazy eye is an early childhood condition where a child's eyesight in one eye does not develop as it should. The problem is usually in just one eye, but can sometimes affect both of them. Amblyopia is an eye disorder characterized by an impaired vision in an eye that otherwise appears normal, or out of proportion to associated structural abnormalities of the eye. In this, visual stimulation either fails to transmit or is poorly transmitted through the optic nerve to the brain for a continuous period of time. It can also occur when the brain "turns off" the visual processing of one eye to prevent double-vision, for example in strabismus (crossed-eyes). Children out of fear and humiliation silently suffer.

Detecting the condition in early childhood increases the chance of successful treatment. The earlier it is detected, and the underlying cause corrected with glasses or surgery, the more successful the treatment in equalizing vision between the two eyes.

SYMA cares for the Society ~ we care for the children. On 27th Nov 2013, SYMA in association with Sankara Eye hospital, Pammal arranged for an Eye camp for detection of lazy eye and other eye related problems. Oral hygiene and dental check up was also conducted. Around 280 children of MOP Vaishnava Primary school at Venkatrangam Street benefitted from this camp- 6 students were observed requiring treatment and were prescribed glasses. We place on record our thanks to the Management of Sankara Eye Hospital, Pammal, Mr J Babu, CEO , Dr Shobha and all technicians for the conduct of the camp. We also appreciate the efforts of Sadagopan MA in organizing this camp.

On 8th Dec 2014, we organized Eye check up and oral hygiene check-up camp for our SYMA Growth students at NKT Boys High School. Around 100 students were screened and 5 were given spectacles. We thank Sankara Eye Hospital. Special thanks to Dr Vidhya Venkatesh and her team for educating the children on oral hygiene.

கல்விப் பணியில் சைமா

SYMA Growth has ambled into its 6th year of its operation. SYMA has been planning meticulously its long term objectives of making the Society a better place. Education is the best of the riches that one can possess. With the primary aim of providing quality education to poor students, we started our dream project 'SYMA Growth' – a full fledged tuition centre in July 2008. From that day onwards, lots of SYMA volunteers have strained themselves to ensure success of the project.

At the proverbial half-way mark, it is time the students realize that examinations are not far off. It is time they start putting in more efforts and study smartly planning it well. Only hardwork coupled with good strategy would fetch good marks.

On 22.12.2013, we arranged for a motivational lecture by an eminent person raising the spirit of the students and guiding them towards preparation both mentally and physically. It was a big gathering consisting of students and their parents and the speaker was - Dr Va Ve Su, Former Principal of Vivekananda College. He is an expert in Plant biology, a scholar in Sangam literature and equally ease in the role of a Corporate trainer for communication. He is a popular public speaker and a poet in Tamil and English. He as President of Vanavil has been organizing the 3 day annual festival of Bharathiyar too. In a simple manner, he reached out to the students making them aware of their inner capabilities and impressed upon them the need for channelizing the mind and effort.

He made a great impact on all the listeners. SYMA places its gratitude for the support and thank Prof Va Ve Su for readily acceding to our request.

This is our Golden year - SYMA enters its 25th year of service in Medical Service, thanks to Dr K Sridhar, Kanchi Sankara Medical Trust and other well wishers who initiated, guided and have been supporting us in this field.

In a new initiative, we are now providing medicines to poor patients through reputed medical shops. We seek the wishes of all and blessings of elders in our new initiative.

Goldwinner – SYMA Childfest

SYMA is wedded to the cause of Social service ~ Our Medical Centre functions on all days excluding Sunday; our Education centre – SYMA Growth is active throughout the academic year including Sundays. A couple of decades ago, we planned to improve the confidence and competitiveness of school children and thought of providing them a platform to showcase their innate talents and thus Child Fest – the competition for school children was born.

At SYMA, we fully realize the need for inculcating good qualities in children as they only will shape the future of the Nation. SYMA all along has been striving betterment of society and imbibing discipline, commitment, mental strength, self-confidence, competitive spirit amongst other virtues. Child Fest is one such attempt aimed at imbibing in them the skill sets, confidence and more importantly competitiveness. Child Fest provides a competitive platform for showcasing talent in various fields.

Over the years, this has become immensely popular with schools and with children, as the numbers are growing multifold year after year. The fete is a two day affair with individual participation in Drawing and



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Gold Winner – SYMA CHILD FEST 2013-2014

*Gold
winner*

On Saturday 25th Jan 2014

Inauguration of the day's events :
at 8.30 a.m.

Prize Distribution function at 5.30 p.m.

On 26th Sunday Jan 2014

Chief Guest :

Mr.S.S. GOPALARATHNAM

Managing Director,

Cholamandalam MS General Insurance Company Limited

Special Guest :

LION D. SRIDHARAN

Chief Executive, PV Hi Tech Systems

Venue :

NKT National Girls Higher Secondary School

Besant Road, Triplicane, Chennai- 600 005

You are cordially invited

T.A Sampath Kumar
President

S. Sampathkumar
Sanjeevi Raghunathan
Secretaries



Fancy Dress – the rest are representation through schools. This year also the event sponsor is Gold Winner [special thanks to CR Sredhar for the continued support]. Full details of the events and the Invitation are available in this issue.

Over the years it has blossomed into an event, much sought after by Schools as also parents of school children. Child Fest has grown in size and colour, as we have been making thoughtful changes in its format – depending on the mood of the children, at the same time ensuring that We encourage only the good and right attitude. Initially it was timed to be around Childrens' day, over the years – the 2 day format has been conducted in various months including Feb – depending on the vagaries of monsoon, availability of schools, avoiding proximity to examinations and like factors.

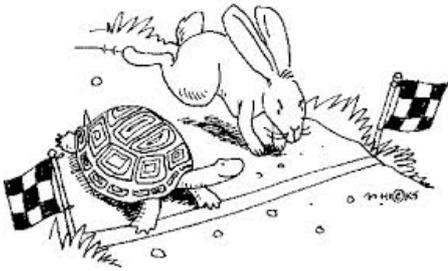
We request all SYMA volunteers to attend and help us in organizing the events in the usual efficient manner. Look forward to seeing you all at the venue. Your suggestions are also welcome.

Q: In the 1st One dayer, India lost... all of those who saw the match live would have watched a newer one.. Do you know what is Wasp ?
Ans in Page 4

முயற்சி உடையார் இகழ்ச்சி அடையார்

ஆமையும் முயலும் கதை நாம் நன்கு அறிந்ததே! எங்காவது மெதுவாக ஊர்ந்து செல்லும் ஆமை வேகமாக ஓட வல்ல முயலை வெல்ல முடியுமா என ஐயத்தை வெளிப்படுத்துவதை விட உட்கருத்தின் மூலம் நீதியை உணர்த்துவதே பயன்தர வல்லது. வலிமை வாய்ந்தவனை எளிமையானவன் வெல்வது எப்போதுமே ருசிகரமானது அல்லவா? பனிச்சறுக்கு விளையாட்டை பற்றி கேள்வியுற்று இருப்பீர்கள். கிரிக்கெட்டைத் தவிர எவ்வளவோ விளையாட்டுக்கள் உள்ளன. பிரபல கார் ரேஸ் சாம்பியனான மைக்கேல் ஷுமாக்கர், இவ்வாறு பனிச்சறுக்கில் ஈடுபட்டிருக்கும்போது விபத்துக்குள்ளாகி மருத்துவமனையில் தீவிர சிகிச்சை பெற்று வருவது வருத்தமானது. பனிச்சறுக்கு விளையாட்டுகள் சமீப காலமாக சைனாவிலும் பிரபலமாகி வருகின்றது. சைனா 2022 குளிர்கால ஒலிம்பிக்ஸ் போட்டிகளை தனது நாட்டில் நடத்த முயற்சி செய்து வருகின்றது.

சமீபத்தில் அங்கே மிருகங்கள் பங்கு பெறும் பனிச்சறுக்கு போட்டிகள் நடைபெற்றன. சுமார் 40 போட்டியாளர்கள் தங்களது பிடித்த மிருகங்களை இப்போட்டியில் பங்கேற்க அழைத்து வந்திருந்தனர். முயல், வாத்து, நாய், ஆமை, குரங்கு, பூனை என பல்வேறு விலங்கினங்கள் பனிச்சறுக்கு உபகரணங்களுடன் போட்டி வரிசையில் நின்றது கண்டவர் கண்களை கவர்ந்தது.



குரங்கிற்கும், மீனுக்கும் உள்ள திறமையை மரம் ஏறும் போட்டி நடத்தி கண்டறிய முடியாது. எனினும் இது ஓட்டப்போட்டி அல்ல. சறுக்குப்போட்டி. பழைய நீதிக்கதையில் வந்தது போல, குதித்த முயல் தோற்றது. அமைதியான ஆமை மூன்றாவதாக வந்து மக்களை வியப்பில் ஆழ்த்தியது. ஆமையும்

வெல்லும். முயலும் வெல்லும். முயலாமை எப்போதும் வெல்லாது.

Ans to Q in Page 3 : To many of us – most insects look alike.... Wasps and honey bees can be mistaken for one another because both insects are capable of giving painful stings. Cricket is never pure Maths or Economics... .WASP is no insect nor any tool for better - WASP is a way of calculating who is winning, rather than a prediction of who will win. Winning and Score Predictor (WASP) takes into account the current scores and performance of the playing teams and even their past records to draw up a probability. In the first innings, the WASP gives a predicted score. In the second innings, it gives a probability of the batting team winning the match – in terms of %. Despite a low WASP, team chasing could still win – by a better performance on that day. The WASP model is based on a database of all non-shortened ODI and 20-20 games played between top-eight countries since late 2006 anyway this is an external tool for the broadcasters and has nothing to do with the game or the way it is played – just as D&L played havoc in that 1992 World Cup.

வாழ்த்துக்கள்

நமது சங்க முன்னாள் தலைவர் திரு. ஆர். விஜயராகவன் (IOB Viji) அவர்களின் சஷ்டியப்பதூர்த்தி 28.12.2013 அன்று நடைபெற்றது. விழா கண்ட தம்பதியரை **BLISS** வாழ்த்துகிறது.

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உறுப்பினர்களிடமிருந்து செய்திகள், துணுக்குகள் உபயோகக் குறிப்புகள் வரவேற்கப்படுகின்றன.

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