

We are very pleased to begin our newsletter with this excellent news from Jim about the Standard 12 results, which are equivalent to our A-levels:

I am very very happy to inform you that our children have got a 100% pass in the plus two results. The entire Vidiyal family is in cloud nine over this victory. The following children have made it and they have secured the marks out of 1200.

Selvakumar	-	1000
Loganayak	-	935
Manjuladevi	-	870
Muthupandi	-	847
Sivanya	-	751
Muthumari	-	653
Sangeetha	-	596
Preethika	-	661
Jeeva	-	815

We are proud of what they have achieved as they are first generation children who got education up to this level. We shall look forward that they further climb the education and finish graduation. Thanks for your support to us and the encouraging role played by their sponsors which led to this success. We do thank God for using us as his instrument lighting up these lives and liberating communities from poverty, oppression and exclusion.

Here is Jim's report on the Sponsor Day celebration that was held recently at Vidiyal.

I am pleased to send this news that our children celebrated the SPONSOR DAY at Vidiyal on the 11th April 2013 at the roof top of the main centre. The objective of the programme was to remember the sponsors and thank God for their wonderful support to our children. The sponsored children team (Nandhavanam in Tamil which means Orchid) organized the event with the support of Shanmuga our volunteer. They worked so hard the previous day and put up a great show. Every one enjoyed the day and some of the children shared their relationship with their sponsors. There were some fun games related to sponsorship programme. I conducted a quiz on sponsors which was greatly enjoyed by the kids. It was much exciting because we announced that the winning team will be taken to a restaurant. Those children who have chosen for sponsorship in the recent times were crowned which brought pride in those kids.

I take this opportunity to thank you all very much for your hard work and support which is a great source of inspiration. The sponsorship programme gives a break through in the lives of many kids. The support and encouragement of sponsors always have a greater impact in the rehabilitation process. Children do value that there is a significant adult who cares for them sitting six thousand miles away.



Shanmuga with the children at their Sponsor Day Celebration



The new sponsor children with their crowns



Scenes from the annual Jolly Camp which has just finished. This year's theme was **" Let us continue our journey for search; Let us win our destination"**.



We would like to pass on to you a moving message from one of the young men who has just completed his education.

To my NewDawn India friends

I thank you and Jim annan from the bottom of my heart now that I have completed my schooling, my college life and my Master of Science degree. I am also a trained science teacher now. I was nowhere in this world but with your help I am shining. Whenever my family situation was not good and whenever I was not sounding good you showed me love. I felt happy as if I had got a new life. I wish to do all that I can do to Vidiyal which has helped me to achieve this. I felt happy that when I was struggling to study Vidiyal encouraged me. It gave me good life style. Through your work with NewDawn you will continue to liberate people like me. You are caring. I wish you will continue this forever. Thank you!



A different topic was covered each day and the camp was attended by 153 boys and 107 girls!!!!!!!!!!

We are very grateful to the young men and women who are now at college but give up time to help Jim and the team as volunteers. Without them Vidiyal would not be able to be effective. We should also mention the alumni who continue to help and to organise many events for the youngsters. It was exciting to hear of the recent birth of a daughter to one of these -Ramkumar and his wife Catherine.



Forthcoming fundraising events

Barn Dance

at
Wenham Place Farm
Great Wenham CO7 6PH
on
Friday 28th June

7:30 – 11:00pm

Dancing to live music from Inertia Reel Folk Dance Band

Tickets £10 per person
including
Ploughman's supper, dessert and soft drink
Please bring other drinks of your choice

Tickets available now from Elaine
01473 311909 or
elaine.gotts@btconnect.com

Annual Curry Evening

At Days Road Church
On Saturday 16th November

Reserve your place by contacting Neville on
01473 310574 or
nev@longperry.freeseve.co.uk

Facebook

NewDawn India now has a Facebook site which, at present, is in its infancy. It can be accessed easily from the website www.newdawnindia.org

Jim has set up two Facebook pages Vidiyal Madurai and Childline Madurai, which give up-to-date news on events in Madurai.

Other ways you can help

Could you hold a fundraising event for us?

Maybe you could organise a fund-raising event in your local area or at work: coffee mornings, cake sales, shared meals.

We are happy to supply display material and even a talk about the work if needed.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact
01473 311148 or email us at

info@newdawnindia.org

Would you like to leave a gift to NewDawn India in your Will?

This would help to ensure the continuation of our life-changing work with the street and slum children of southern India. The process is quite simple, particularly when you are making or updating your will. If you are using the services of a solicitor or other professional, he or she will be familiar with the appropriate wording.

Otherwise, a short paragraph in the Will along the following line will be suitable:

"I bequeath to NewDawn India, of 8 Long Perry, Capel St. Mary, Ipswich IP9 2XD (registered charity No. 1001535) the sum of £..... for their work with the street children of southern India"

Any such legacy to a registered charity will be free of Inheritance Tax and not liable to Capital Gains Tax or Income Tax.

You may like to give this some thought when reviewing your Will.

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