

*"Never stop doing little things for others.
Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their hearts".*

Greetings from Bala Pragathi Kendra Services, Honavar.

First of all I take this opportunity to wish you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Surprise Filled New Year. It is such a special joy to share our Blessed Savior's birth by wishing you the Love and Peace His coming brought to earth.

I write this letter to express my gratitude to you and hundreds of other donors who support our Child Sponsorship Programme through which we have been providing education to the poor and needy children of the community. As on date we have 935 children under Child Sponsorship Programme. Out of which 494 supported by Caritas Prague, 71 Goretti Stichting, Holland, 150 Joy Sowers, Belgium, 165 Caritas Slovakia, 2 Spain, 44 Amici Di Niku Onlus, Rome and 9 Niku's friends, England.

It is my pleasure to inform you about the activities conducted during the year.

- On 9th March 2018, the chairman of Goretti Stichting, Holland organization Mr. Piet Vrancken and his wife Mrs. Jose, Mr. Jo Urlings, Mr. Ad Broers and Fr. Kurris visited our centre. A small programme was organized with the children supported by this agency. The representatives expressed their joy to see all the children gathered at one place and conveyed the love and regards from their donors. On this occasion we felicitated Fr. Kurris for being associated with us from the beginning of sponsorship programme.*
- Summer camp 2018 was conducted for the children from 9th to 26th April and 62 children availed the benefit.*
- In the month of April, May and June our social workers collected children APRs, photos and letters. Distribution of school materials was held in the month of May. Some of the children who failed in annual exams of 10th and PUC were given proper guidance to pursue further studies.*
- 24 children clubs are affiliated under Bala Pragathi Kendra Services.*

Pratibhodaya, School of continuing technical education admitted a new batch of 46 students for various courses offered in the institute. The students of Technical school celebrated Vanamahotsava Day, Independence Day, Convocation and founder's day, Teachers Day and Gandhi Jayanti. A Christmas meet up will also be conducted for them. NIOS examination was conducted for the students in April-May and 84 students passed the exams.

Karnataka Open School has admitted 72 students and given them the opportunity to complete 10th grade. In Academy of Art and Literature there are 40 students and Play School takes care of 20 little children.

Christmas meet up will be conducted for the children in December at five different venues. This year we will be giving the children a blanket as Christmas gift.

Once again I express my sincere gratitude for your generous support and good will. May peace and comfort remain with you all the days of your life. I also remain grateful to all the donor agencies for their continuous support in this good cause.

With kind regards,


*(Fr. Gabriel Lopes),
DIRECTOR.*



Ambewadi,
November 2018.

“Typed Letter”

My dear sponsor parent Pavla,

Hope everything is fine and good with you as the same can be said of us over here.

Firstly, I have finished my 2nd year pre-university course with good marks and now I am doing 1st year General Nursing Course.

It's now time for Christmas and so on this beautiful occasion I would like to wish each one of you Very Happy Christmas and Happy New Year. May this Christmas be a beautiful one for you and your family with pleasant memories to stay on. And there will be Christmas get-together for all sponsored children and on this day and I will be receiving Christmas gift in your name and I am waiting for the day.

With these few lines I would like to end my letter and pray for me and my family members in your daily prayers. Once again I wish you A Very Happy Christmas and Happy New Year.

Your loving child,
Maria D'souza



HAPPY

CHRISTMAS

My dear sponsor parent Paula

Hope everything is fine and good with you as the same can be said of us over here.

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And there will be Christmas get together for all sponsored children on this day. And I will be receiving Christmas gift in your name and I am waiting for that day.

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Your's loving child,
Maria D'Souza.