











## Antonian Newsletter

Publication of the newsletter of SACKOBA

This document is named "ANTONIAN NEWSLETTER" in accordance with the constitution of our 112 years old association.

#### 11. PUBLICATIONS

- a) The organ of the association shall be "THE ANTONIAN" the College Magazine in which special space shall be reserved for information pertaining to Old Boys.
- b) The Association may also publish a Newslettter titled "ANTONIAN NEWSLETTER" which shall consist of the achievements of Old Boys, Progress of the Projects undertaken by the Central Council and highlights of the school activities.



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## Workshop on Making Informed Decisions for A/Ls

#### Organized by the Education Pillar of SACKOBA

A workshop was held for ordinary level students on selecting advanced level subjects by a panel of high calibre professionals. The purpose of the workshop was to assist students in making informed decisions about their advanced level subjects, as these choices can have a significant impact on their future career prospects.

The panel consisted of experts from a variety of fields, including education, business, and industry. They provided valuable insights and advice to the students, helping them to understand the importance of choosing subjects that align with their strengths and interests.





## Workshop on Making Informed Decisions for A/Ls...

The panel also discussed the various options available to students, including vocational courses and university degrees. They stressed the importance of researching and considering all options before making a final decision.

Overall, the workshop was a valuable resource for ordinary level students as they make their decisions about their advanced level subjects. It provided them with the knowledge and tools they need to make informed and confident choices about their future education and career paths.

#### The Panel

Mr. Thiru Sayandhan - CEO Sunshine Healthcare LTD

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Eng. Manjula Amarathuge - CEO Hands group of companies

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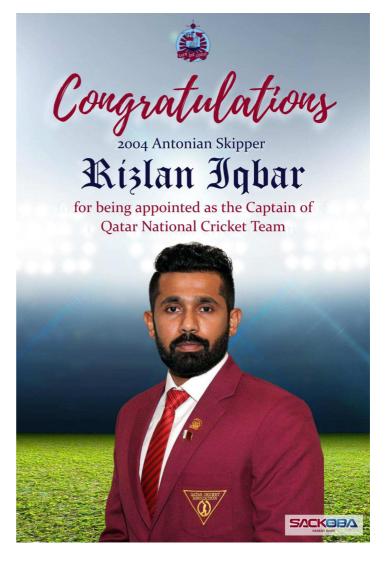
## Rizlan Igbar Named Qatar National Cricket Team Captain

It is with great pleasure that we congratulate Mohammed Rizlan Iqbar, former Antonian skipper (2004) and hard hitting wicket keeper batsman, on being selected as the Captain of Qatar national cricket team. Rizlan's talent and leadership skills have been recognized and we are proud to see him representing Qatar at the international level.

Rizlan's leadership skills and determination have always been evident, and it is no surprise to see him taking on the role of Captain for Qatar.

We are confident that Rizlan will bring his best to the national team and will lead them to success. His experience and talent will surely make a positive impact on the team. We wish Rizlan all the best in his new role and hope to see him achieve great things with Qatar.

Congratulations once again, Rizlan. We are proud of your accomplishments and are excited to see what the future holds for you.





## Manjula Gunawardhana of Group 94 donates 10 Basketballs

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Manjula Gunawardhana of G94 for his generous donation of 10 basketballs for the college basketball teams.



We are deeply appreciative of Manjula's support and contributions to the college basketball program. Thank you, Manjula, for your kindness and generosity.

## Group 1980 Donates Books, Smart Board and Education Materials

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Group 1980 for their generous donation of books, a smart board, and other education materials. These resources will greatly enhance the learning experiences of our students. We would also like to express our appreciation for the group's contributions towards the Maths lab, which will be an invaluable resource for students and teachers alike. We look forward to seeing the positive impact of their donations on our students.









## Workshop for Academic Staff of St Anthony's College Kandy

Sponsored by Imperial College

Organized by the College Management & SACKOBA Education Pillar.



The Academic Staff of St Anthony's College Kandy participated in a workshop organized by the College Management and the Education Pillar of SACKOBA. The workshop consisted of two sessions. The morning session focused on Mindfulness and Meditation, while the evening session focused on Modern Education Methods.

During the morning session, the staff learned about the benefits of mindfulness and meditation, including improved focus and concentration, reduced stress and anxiety, and enhanced overall well-being. They also practiced various mindfulness and meditation techniques to help them incorporate these practices into their daily routine.



## Workshop for Academic Staff of St Anthony's College Kandy...

In the evening session, the staff learned about modern education methods, including the use of technology in the classroom and project-based learning. They also had the opportunity to discuss and share their own experiences with implementing these methods in their classrooms.

Overall, the workshop was well-received by the Academic Staff of St Anthony's College Kandy, who appreciated the opportunity to learn about new ways to improve their teaching practices and support their students' learning.





## Group 90 Continues Support for Antonian Cricket with Donation of New Playing Kits

Group 90 has once again demonstrated its commitment to Antonian Cricket by donating the white and colour playing kits for the First XI team. The group has consistently been a major supporter of Antonian Cricket over the years, and this latest donation is a testament to their dedication to the sport and the school. The new kits will surely be a great boost to the team's morale and performance as they take the field. We are grateful to Group 90 for their generous support and look forward to their continued involvement in the development of Antonian Cricket.







## Old Antonians Show Their Cricket Knowledge in Exciting Guess & Win Competition

The Guess & Win competition, in line with the ICC Men's T20 World Cup Australia 2022, was a great success. Powered by SACKOBA and Global Antonians (GANN), the competition was exclusively for Old Antonians.

There was a fantastic turnout for the competition, with many Old Antonians eager to test their knowledge of the T20 World Cup and try their luck at winning some amazing prizes. The competition was a great way for old Antonians to come together and celebrate their shared love of cricket, and we were thrilled to see so many people participating. We would like to thank everyone who participated and helped make it a success. We look forward to many more exciting competitions in the future.





## Life at St. Anthony's, Kandy

By Dr. Jayampathi Wickramaratne

When I came to St. Anthony's for the admission test, I knew only three complete English sentences: My name is J. Wickramaratne; My father is R. Wickramaratne; We live in Udispattuwa. The English test was a disaster. The questions on the board were in flowing letters. At the village school in the foothills of the Knuckles Range, I had been taught only to use block letters. I asked the supervisor what the first question was. "Write 10 sentences about the dog" he explained in Sinhala. I only knew that "balla" meant dog and had no option but to give a blank paper. Probably because I had done well in Sinhala and Arithmetic, I was selected.

I will remember St. Anthony's as the school that taught me English. The first few months were really difficult, but I survived. We boarders were quite vocal at cricket matches and joined the seniors in cheering. "Krishna bowler" the cheer-leader would shout and we would all follow with "Thrash the bowler". Who this Krishna was, I could not figure out. It took me two cricket seasons to realise that the cheer-leader was shouting "He's no bowler". Almost 50 years later, at the OBA dinner to mark the College's 150th anniversary, I was sitting with Jayantha Udukumbura, my classmate and friend from lower school, and was happy to learn that he too had a similar difficulty with the same Krishna. Udda of course went on to captain the college team, while I opted to cheer him from the boundary lines.

I soon picked up grammar and pronunciation. We had little choice, for on boarders' day one chap would recite the best "sixers" of the year at the assembly and we would not want to be quoted.

Learning English at the feet of Father Robinson in Upper School was a rich experience. He took us – along with Jim Hawkings, the one-legged Long John Silver, Squire Trelawney, Dr. Livesey and others – aboard the "Hispaniola" to the Treasure Island singing the famous pirates' song, "Fifteen men on the dead man's chest ……Yo-ho-ho, and a bottle of rum! Drink and the devil had done for the rest … …Yo-ho-ho, and a bottle of rum!" What drama, what fun and what a lot we learnt!



#### Life at St. Anthony's, Kandy..

Life as a boarder was never dull. But, honestly, I cannot talk good of the food. On weekends, I and Kithsiri Weerasuriya (Kiththa is a senior lawyer at Attanagalle courts) would spend hours gazing from the grounds at the College entrance for our parents to emerge, bringing eats, "feeds" as we called them. On most days, we would be disappointed.

I had the fortune of being in College in the Rosati era. When Father Rosati passed away, it was as if we had lost a close elderly relative. Father Leo (later Bishop Leo) was in charge of the Rainbow Cottages and I had the privilege, along with 125 others, of being caned by him on the day the College Hall was opened. His family joined the Rainbians at dinner and we reacted to laughter from the head table with a "hoot" as he was just coming in. He was furious and caned us all.

Another important thing that I learnt at St. Anthony's was to respect the cultures of others. I had Sinhalese, Tamils, Burghers, Chettis, Muslims and even a German, Helmut, as fellows. It was a rich multi-cultural setting from which we all benefitted.

Years later, I was on the SACK staff for a short stint. It was nice to be on the staff along with those who had taught you- Messrs. Mendis, Weerasinghe, B.L. Fernando, Willie Fernando, Rajendran, Angelo Peris to name a few, not forgetting Mr. Brown – and his beautiful daughter, Drusilla, who was a good friend. You don't want me to give their nicknames, or do you?





## Antonian Junior Rugby Carnival: A Day of Fun and Rugby at the KSC Grounds

#### Organised by the ARB and OARFC

We thank the organizers, ARB and OARFC, of the Antonian Junior Rugby Carnival, held at the Kandy Sports Club Grounds. It was a fantastic event that brought together the community for a day of fun and rugby.

The event featured the Eagle's Sevens and the Under 12 Central Province Rugby Tournament, both of which were exciting to watch. There was also a kids' zone with plenty of activities to keep the younger ones entertained, as well as food and beverages available for everyone to enjoy. And to top it all off, there was a DJ with papare to keep the energy high throughout the day.





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## SACK Welcomes Rev. Fr. Dushantha Perera



We would like to congratulate Rev. Fr. Dushantha Perera OSB on being appointed to the staff of SACK. Fr. Dushantha is a past pupil of St. Benedict's College. Kotahena and has the following educational credentials: B. Com (Sp. Marketing Mgt) from the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, AAT full membership (MAAT) which is an internationally recognized professional status in accounting and finance, Bachelor of Philosophy B.Ph (Rome), Bachelor of Theology BTh (Rome), Post. Gradu. Dip in Education (NIE). We are confident that he will make a valuable contribution to SACK.

We would like to thank the OSB for their efforts in bringing Fr. Dushantha to SACK, despite the complications arising from the educational-political system. We know that Fr. Dushantha will be a great asset to the college, and we look forward to seeing him thrive in his new role as the Head of SACK Primary.

SACKOBA extends its support to Fr. Dushantha in his future endeavors, and we wish him all the best as he begins this new chapter in his career. We are confident that he will make a positive impact at SACK and continue to serve the college community with distinction. Congratulations, Fr. Dushantha, and welcome to SACK!









## Celebrating 20 Pears of Priesthood: Rev. Fr. Henry Bernard Wijerathne OSB

A special Holy mass was held at the college Hall to mark the 20th anniversary of the priesthood of our beloved Principal, Rev. Fr. Henry Bernard Wijerathne OSB. He was ordained as a priest of the the Sylvestro Benedictine Order on 2002.08.08. We are grateful for his guidance and leadership, and we are blessed to have him as our Principal. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Fr. Henry on this milestone, and we pray for many more years of service and blessings for him.







## St. Anthony's College Grounds Upgraded with New Sprinkler System Donation

St. Anthony's College received a donation of a new sprinkler system (Water sprinkler and pipes/ 6 tanks and Ground slab) from Kandy District Cricket Association (KDCA) and Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC). The system includes 78 sprinklers placed around the college grounds. The donation was coordinated by Mr. Ranjith Peiris, Mr. Panditharathne, Mr. Chinthaka Girihagama, Old Antonian Cricket Wing and SACKOBA. The Trust Fund provided funding for two pump houses, one located at Riverside and the other at the college grounds, which included internal wiring, a Material Room, and 300 feet of armored cable for 3 Phase power. We are immensely grateful for the individuals who got involved in making this project a reality. The new system will help to maintain the grounds and improve the overall appearance of the college.





## Sri Lanka Cricket Monates Turf Cover to St. Anthony's College

Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) has made a generous donation of LKR 1 million worth of turf cover to St. Anthony's College in Kandy (SACK). Mr. Chinthaka Girihagama and Mr. Panditharathne coordinated the donation, and we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to them and SLC for their kind support. The new turf cover will be a valuable asset to SACK and will surely be put to good use by the students and faculty. We are deeply grateful for this generous donation and appreciate the efforts of SLC and the coordinators in making it possible.



## Past Teachers Recognized at Special Felicitation During SACKOBA Group 89 AGM

SACKOBA Group 89 held their AGM and Past Teachers Felicitation at Seetha Reception Hall. The event was attended by a large number of Old Antonians and former teachers, who came together to celebrate their shared connection to the college.

At the AGM, the group discussed plans for the upcoming year and elected their new leadership team. The Past Teachers Felicitation was a special moment, as the group paid tribute to the individuals who have made such a profound impact on their lives and education.

"Life is like a tender garden; each teacher is a caregiver, who fills our lives with the right virtue and teaches us the way to greatness. Thank you for inspiring us all"





## Mr. Denver Melder Elected as President of Group 92 at AGM

Congratulations to the newly elected president and the committee of Group 92 on their successful election at the AGM held at the OBA HQ on 15th October. Special congratulations to Mr. Denver Melder as the new president, Nuwan Gunewardena as the treasurer, and Anuruddha Rajaguru as the secretary. We look forward to seeing the leadership and contributions of these individuals in guiding the group towards success in the coming year.







# AGM Old Antonian Social Club Inc (Australia)



The Annual General Meeting of the Old Antonian Social Club of Australia was held in Melbourne. President Senaka Amarasinghe was re-elected for another term along with Nadeesha Ratnayake as Secretary and Dumudu Rambukwella as Treasurer. Adrian Dunuwille will serve as the Vice-President.



#### Antonians Defence Force & Police Branch Elects ExCo for 2023

The Antonians Defence Force & Police Branch recently held their AGM, fellowship, and dinner at the Rangala Navy base on Nov 5th. The event was attended by The Principal Rev. Fr. Henry Wijerathna, Fr. Shamindra Jayawardena OSB, Commander of the Navy Vice Admiral Nishantha Ulugetenna, Old Antonians of the Sri Lanka Armed Forces and Police, and members of SACKOBA. At the AGM, the ExCo for the year 2023 was elected and the group discussed plans for the upcoming year. It was a great opportunity for old Antonians in the armed forces and police to come together and connect with each other and the college community.



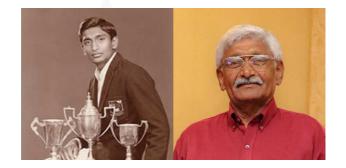






## Braveheart

By Sarath C Fernando



After a hectic day of getting involved in different assignments came back home tired as ever and soon had a good shower, refreshed myself and started watching Mel Gibsons Oscar-winning film 'The Braveheart' finishing my dinner quickly. It was fascinating to watch the heroics of a Scottish warrior, William Wallace leading his countrymen in a rebellion to free his homeland from the tyranny of King Edward I of England.

The life of William Wallace was not a rosy one. he saw several of his lovable family members, friends and his own people getting tortured and killed in front of his own eyes. A Defeat was a common phenomenon that bothered him and on the contrary motivated him immensely to transform his psyche to become victorious one day killing the giant battalions of trained ruthless and merciless forces of the cruel English ruler Edward the Longshanks, who wishes to inherit the crown of Scotland for himself. And Wallace planned his mission well from the scratches and implemented unbelievable strategies through a small but committed team with great willpower to totally demolish the much fancied and well-equipped army to become a real hero in the history of the world.

Whilst watching the final moments of this magnificent film, the college rugby teams of some years came to my mind. like the defeated Scotsmen in the early stages of the film, the players were at the receiving end, dead or half dead with their tongues out even before halftime and getting defeated again and again during the season.

Oh my god! don't we have a William Wallace and his teammates like players in our team that consist of bigger size boys who could turn tables and win these school rugby battles? or is there a capable guy who could maul them into a winning masquerade to bulldoze the opponents?

Well, we had great individuals and very few teams who have done a yeoman service and brought credit to the school winning matches but over the years, there has been no consistency in performing well and thought of finding our Bravehearts who have shown bravery at the highest level in the Antonian rugby history.



### Braveheart...

Soon my mind was going through the past teams year by year backward like going through a time machine. 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018---> 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008---> After a long journey of 50 years, my mind stopped near the main bell of the upper school of St Anthony's college and it was a Monday during the month of April 1972.

I was returning to upper school after attending the usual Monday morning assembly at The College Main Hall. I saw this student who was two years senior to me sitting on the bench under the 'Mara' tree in front of the main college bell, wearing a full white uniform but with a dark face holding on to his right hand with his left.

I stopped by and asked him "Hi Waidye? Why are you in a sad mood?" He looked at me, but he didn't respond to me immediately, but I saw that he was in severe pain. Then I Stopped for a while and said, "Looks like you have a big issue Waidye, can I be of any help to you?"

Then he started talking, he said that the injury on his right forearm whilst practising has got worsened and his last visit to the doctor, had advised him to take extreme care as it has been badly infected and may have to be amputated. (two weeks before that date, during practices his forearm was broken and his forearm was wrapped by a thick layer of plaster of Paris). He then lifted the plaster and showed me the wound, it was a pathetic sight to see it. I was also highly worried about what he told me about the amputation which looked certain after looking at it. He said he is more worried that he won't be able to play the match against Trinity, which will definitely create a history of college rugby by winning against them for the first time. He wanted to do his maximum for the College and very surprisingly told me "it will be Ok even if my forearm has to be amputated after playing and winning this match which was to be played in three weeks.

Later I realized that he has gone to a native doctor, daily and one week before the match he found that the wound has gotten a little better. Even during this period, he has maintained his physical fitness by doing exercises without contact rugby.

However, even two days before, the match he had not fully recovered but had been repeatedly saying that he could play and this was what I call 'the match of his life'. Since he was requesting the coach Mr Lucky Witharana and Master in charge Fr Aidred Samarkoon to give him an opportunity to play, the veteran coach Mr Maurice Silva was brought to do a fitness test where he miraculously passed.



### Braveheart...

The much-awaited day dawned and one of the most intelligent captains the college had - Tuan Dole, a determined Antonian rugby team got on to the battlefield in Nittawela at 4.30 pm before a large crowd.

The front-line Battalion on the field comprised of

No 1- D B Rajaguru - Prop Forward

No 2- Tyronne Rozairo – Hooker

No 3- Clement Fernando – Prop Forward

No 4- Christopher Anderson - Second Row

No 5- Clive Fernando - Second Row.

No 6- Rohitha De Silva - Wing Forward

No 7- C P P Raj - Wing Forward

No 8- Hilmy Jainudeen - Lock Forward

No 9 - Nimal Malagamuwa- Scrum Half

No 10 Tuan Dole - Fly half - Captain and placekicker

No 11 Geoffery Paul - Center

No 12 S Shanmuganathan - Center

No 13 A A D Rajaguru – winger

No 14 Mangala Waidyarathna - winger

No 15 Kalu Arachichi Perera.

The Rear Guard fighters

S R Karunatillake

Anil Uduwawala

Ian Loduwyke

C Munaweera

It was one of the fastest school rugby games I have ever witnessed, both teams were strong and played excellent rugby. St Anthony's scored a goal and two penalties whilst trinity scored a try and a penalty, with the final score being 11 points to 6, in favour of St Anthony's College. (The point system that time, A Try 3 points, conversion of a try 2 points, and Penalty 3 Points)

Accordingly, Trinity scored their points through a try and a penalty, whilst St Anthony's scored a try, converted it and two penalties.

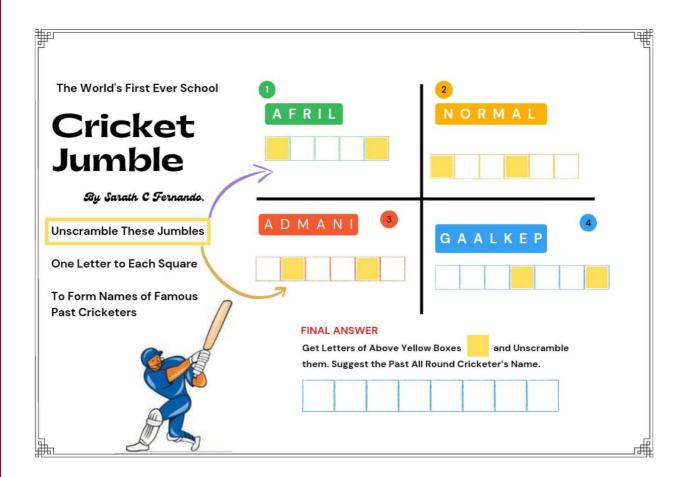
The Antonian kicks were converted by Captain Tuan Dole who had a unique style of kicking what was called bullet kicks. And the try was scored by the player who risked losing his forearm, Mangala Waidyarathna. He collected the ball in one hand and made a very powerful run to ensure a great victory. The team had developed several strategies and alternative plans for this game and implemented them precisely to a glorious end.



### Braveheart...

I was fortunate to witness this match and there were good lessons to learn from it. The rugby fraternity extends its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the entire team that made this happen and showed that giant victories are possible with great willpower skills and the implementation of the finest strategies.







## SACKOBA Central Council's 5th Meeting: A Day of Fellowship and Fun

The 109th SACKOBA Central Council held their 5th meeting at the Hotel Tree of Life. The meeting was followed by a day of fellowship, including lunch, music, and swimming. It was a great opportunity for members of the council to come together and enjoy each other's company, with plenty of good-natured banter to go around.

Overall, it was a successful and enjoyable outing for the council, and we look forward to many more such meetings in the future. Thank you to all those who participated and made this day possible.





## Antonians Celebrate Badminton Team's Success with Felicitation Event

Organised by the Global Antonians (GANN)

It is heartwarming for all loyal Antonians to see the success of the Badminton team at College. The U15 team had a strong showing at the SL Schools Championship in Matara, finishing as runners-up in the Super A Division. The team captain, Thejana Herath, also became the U15 Boys Singles Champion. In addition, the Badminton team is currently the Central Province champion. Thejana has also been selected as the Team Captain for the South Asian Badminton Championship in India. To recognize and appreciate the team's outstanding achievements, Global Antonians held a felicitation event at OBA headquarters, where plaques were presented to the U15 champion team and T-shirts were given to the entire team.



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## Annual SACKOBA Christmas Family Party

#### Organised by the Old Antonians' Sports Club

On the evening of 18th of December, the Annual SACKOBA Christmas Family Party was held at The Grand Kandyan and organized by the Old Antonians' Sports Club. It was a festive and joyous occasion, filled with music, games, and good cheer.

The college choir performed for the audience with beautiful hymns, setting the tone for the evening's festivities. There were games for both children and adults, as well as a karaoke session for those who wanted to show off their singing skills. A raffle draw was also held, with a variety of prizes up for grabs.

But the highlight of the evening was the arrival of Santa, who distributed gifts to all the children in attendance. Everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner and received a gift box and a family photo as a memento of the event.

Overall, the Annual SACKOBA Christmas Family Party was a great success, with everyone having a wonderful time and creating memories that will last a lifetime. It was truly a celebration of the holiday season and the joy of being part of a close-knit community. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Old Antonians' Sports Club for organizing such a wonderful event

















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## SACKOBA and DFCC Bank Partner to Launch New Affinity Credit Card

The launch of the SACKOBA DFCC affinity credit card was held at the DFCC bank Head office in Colombo. This exciting new credit card is focused on benefiting Old Antonians and SACKOBA, with a range of exclusive discounts and offers. The launch event was attended by many members of the SACKOBA community, who were excited to learn more about the benefits of this new card. We look forward to seeing the impact of this new partnership on the SACKOBA community and the DFCC bank. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get involved and support SACKOBA while enjoying the convenience and benefits of a top-quality credit card.







## Obituaries - Old Antonians



Mr. Anura Medagoda Group of 1967



Mr. Gavin Stevens Group of 1960



Mr. S Rajapaksha Group of 1954



Mr. Tibus Wickramasinghe Mr. Louis Macky Group of 1952



Group of 1963



Mr. Roshan Emmanuel Group of 1974



Mr. Bede Perera Group of 1974



Mr. Wasantha Jayatissa Group of 1980



## Obituaries - Staff



Mrs. Kumari Aththanayake Malagamuwa Retired Teacher Served St. Anthony's College Kandy for more than 35 years



Mr. Vasanthan Former Head Master Upper school Tamil Section



Mr. Punchibanda Non-academic staff Primary Department Served the college for 54 years



## Glimpses from SACK













## Glimpses from SACK...





Master Tharusha Charles, Master Thejana Herath & Hasaranga Sooriyarachchi have been selected to represent Central Province Badminton team at National Games Sports Festival 2022



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Congratulations...



Master Thejana Herath has been selected as the Team Captain for the South **Asian Badminton** tournament to be held in India.

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#### Glimpses from SACK...



#### **Congratulations...**



Antonian Shuttlers became
Champions in All Island U19 A
Division Badminton
Championship organized by Sri
Lanka Schools Badminton
Association.



#### Congratulations...



SACK under 9 team became the 1st Runner up in Central Province Inter School Chess Championship Organized by the Royal Mind Chess Club



### Congratulations...



Master Roshen Tharusha Kumara awarded as the Best Player of the tournament in National School Games Rugby 7's 2022



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#### Under 18 Breaststroke 100m 2nd Place M.Adhil 3rd Place C N Bandara

Under 18 Free style 400m 3rd Place Wageesha Somathilake

Under 18 Breaststroke 200m 3rd Place M.Adhil

Under 20 Butterfly 100m 1st Place Helaka Jayasinghe

Under 16 Free style 50m 1st Place O K A Deenuka

Under 18 Breaststroke 100m 2nd Place M.Adhil

Under 20 Free style 50m 1st Place Helaka Jayasinghe

Under 16 Freestyle relay 3rd Place – OKS Deenuka, Chanthuka Jayawinath, Ramithu Illankoon, RM Gunaratne Under 20 Breaststroke 100m 2nd Place D I Ruwanwalla

Under 16 200m 1st Place Chanthuka Jayawinath 3rd Place A M Gunarathna

Under 18 Backstroke 50m 2nd Place A G T De Silva

Under 20 Breaststroke 200m 2nd Place D I Ruwanwalla

Under 20 Breaststroke 50m 2nd Place D I Ruwanwalla

Under 16 Butterfly 50m 1st Place O K S Deenuka 2nd Place Chanthuka Jayawinath

Under 18 Freestyle relay 2nd Place - AGT de Silva, WSH Somathilake, M Adhil, CN Bandara

Under 20 Freestyle relay 2nd Place - Helaka Jayasinghe, DMCD Dissanayake, SWHV Daulagala, SS Carmichel

Under 20 Freestyle Medley relay -2nd Place Helaka Jayasinghe, DMCD Dissanayake, SS Carmichel,Ruwanwella Under 20 Butterfly 50m 1st Place Helaka Jayasinghe

Under 18 Breaststroke 50m 2nd Place M.Adhil 3rd Place C N Bandara

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Under 20 Backstroke 50m 3rd Place Sudesh Carmiche

Under 16 Butterfly 100m 1st Place O K S Deenuka 2nd Place Chanthuka Javawinath

Under 18 Backstroke 100m 3rd Place A G T De Silva

Under 18 Freestyle 50m 1st Place A G T De Silva

Under 16 Medley relay 3rd Place – OKS Deenuka, Chanthuka Jayawinath, Ramithu Illankoon, RM Gunaratne

Under 18 Medley relay 3rd Place - AGT de Silva, WSH Somathilake, BV Nanayakkara, CN Bandara



#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

#### CENTRAL PROVINCE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

Overall Ranking 3rd Place

Under 16 Best Swimmer -O K S.Deenuka

Under 20 Best Swimmer -Helaka Jayasinghe

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It is with pleasure to inform that Master Thejana Herath & Master Shamal Akash have been selected by Sri Lanka Badminton Committee to participate at Badminton Asia - Under 17 & 15 Junior Championship 2022 in Thailand.





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