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Embracing Excellence, Inspiring Growth: A Journey of 25 Years at Leeds International School Network

A Message from the Deputy Chairperson - Mrs. Malithi Jayatissa..



Greetings to our vibrant Leeds family!

As we navigate the currents of another academic year, I am delighted to reflect on the incredible journey of Leeds International School Network — a journey marked by excellence, growth, and a shared commitment to education.

Over the past twenty-five years, Leeds has blossomed into a beacon of progress and achievement. From our modest beginnings, we have embraced challenges, celebrated triumphs, and woven a vibrant tapestry that defines our unique school community.

Our journey, much like any worthwhile adventure, has been sprinkled with trials and in overcoming challenges we have discovered the strength that resides within our Leeds family. Whether large or small, each accomplishment contributes to the rich legacy we are collectively building.

As we acknowledge our 25th year, let's pause to reflect on the milestones that have propelled Leeds to new heights. The spirit of innovation, a dedication to academic excellence, and the unwavering support of our community have been the driving forces behind our success. The timeless words of Robert Frost, "But I have promises to keep and miles to go before I sleep... and miles to go before I sleep." resonate with our commitment to continuous improvement and the understanding that there is always more to achieve.

Allow me to share a brief story that embodies this spirit:

In a quaint village, a group of friends set out on a challenging journey to reach the summit of a towering mountain. Along the way, they faced steep cliffs, turbulent rivers, and unpredictable weather. Despite the difficulties, the friends supported one another and their collective determination led them to the breathtaking summit. The moral of this story is clear: our journey may be challenging, but it is the shared commitment and resilience that propel us forward. Leeds, too, has faced its share of climbs, but together, we have reached new heights, and there are still more summits awaiting our ascent.

Thank you for being an integral part of Leeds International School's incredible journey. Your support, dedication, and enthusiasm have been instrumental in making our school a haven of learning and growth.

Wishing you exciting milestones, shared achievements, and the joyous anticipation of the promising horizons that lie ahead.

Warm Regards,
M. Jayatissa
Deputy Chairperson



Welcoming the Season of Festival

**We Wish you a
Happy
Sinhala and Tamil New Year**



LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



**School Starting
Dates for 3rd Term**

**Students
2nd of May**

**Teachers
29th of April**

AVURUDU CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE NETWORK: A Colourful Tradition



Leeds International School Maharagama

Leeds International School Maharagama recently hosted the vibrant "කොවුල් වසන්තය 2024" celebration on April 1st. Students immersed themselves in traditional rituals, enjoyed New Year games, and showcased their talents in dancing and singing. The event offered both fun and educational insights into the rich heritage of Sinhala and Tamil New Year festivities.

Leeds Preschool Malabe

The cuckoo's call signals the arrival of the new year, bringing joy and hope to all. Leeds Preschool Malabe embraced this spirit with their "සිරි උදනය 2024" Avurudu festival on April 2nd, 2024. Mrs. Hemamaala Jayathissa, the esteemed Directress of Leeds International School Network, honored the occasion as chief guest, emphasizing the festival's role in uniting communities. The event united the school community, fostering bonds through traditional games, transcending differences. Wishing all Sri Lankans a joyous and prosperous Sinhala & Tamil New Year!



Leeds International School Matara

Leeds International School Matara celebrated Sinhala and Tamil New Year on April 4th, 2024, with vibrant cultural festivities. Students and staff united to partake in traditional rituals, fostering cultural appreciation and community bonds. The event highlighted the school's dedication to preserving Sri Lanka's rich heritage.



Leeds International School Matugama

The celebration commenced with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony, followed by a speech by the principal. Students dressed in their colourful Awurudu attire, which depicted rich Sri Lankan culture. The school came alive with vibrant song and dance performances of our talented Leedians. And the day ended with joy and happiness in everyone's hearts. Students take home not just memories of fun and games, but also a deeper appreciation for Sri Lankan culture and traditions.



Leeds International School Piliyandala

Leeds Piliyandala celebrated Sinhala and Tamil New Year 2024 at the school premises on April 3rd. The event commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the Headmistress and staff. The school grounds came alive with vibrant Awurudu outfits adorning students and staff, showcasing Sri Lanka's cultural heritage. Enthusiastic performances filled the air with energy and rhythm. The day concluded with smiles and contentment, leaving students with a deeper appreciation for Sri Lankan customs and traditions.



Leeds International School Ambalangoda

Leeds International School Ambalangoda celebrated Sinhala and Tamil New Year on April 4th, 2024, with vibrant festivities showcasing Sri Lanka's cultural heritage. Students immersed themselves in traditional attire and participated in dances, rituals, and customs, fostering a deeper appreciation for their cultural roots and the significance of preserving Sri Lankan heritage.



Leeds International School Bandaragama

Leeds International School Bandaragama joyfully celebrates Sinhala and Tamil New Year on April 5, 2024. The unique rituals and traditions of this occasion make it truly special. The day concludes with hearts brimming with happiness and love, uniting the entire school in a memorable event.



Leeds International School Tissamaharama

Leeds Tissamaharama celebrated the Sinhala & Tamil new year festival in 04th April 2024 at the school premises. There were many items including Traditional Avurudu customs, Dance acts & Avurudu Games. The event commenced with the lighting of the oil lamp and boiling the milk in both Sinhala & Tamil houses to symbolize the abundance of Prosperity. The students enjoyed the celebration by engaging in playing rabana, Avurudu Games & cultural dancing acts embracing the essence of the New Year by prioritizing the significance of preserving our rich & unique heritage for future generations since it is an essential aspect of human existence.



Leeds International School Matara Celebrates Excellence:

**Honoring Master Dineth Weerathne for Outstanding Athletic Achievements at ISAC 2024
& Coach Lal Wijewickrama for the Guidance**



On April 5, 2024, a special morning assembly convened at Leeds International School Matara to celebrate the exceptional achievements of Master Dineth Weerathne and Athletic Coach Mr. Lal Wijewickrama. Accompanied by the school's Western band, the assembly provided a platform to commend their invaluable contributions to the school's athletic success. Principal Mr. Gagana Amadoru delivered a heartfelt speech, expressing gratitude for their unwavering dedication to excellence, which not only inspires their peers but also underscores the school's commitment to fostering greatness. Both Master Dineth and Coach Lal were honored with prestigious prizes, further cementing their remarkable accomplishments in the school's history.

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL TANGALLE THE ANNUAL SPORTS MEET 2024



Unleash Your Sporting Spirit! ★ The Annual Sports Meet 2024 at Leeds International School Tangalle on March 5th was a day filled with thrilling events, boundless energy, and unforgettable memories. Let's celebrate the joy of sports and the spirit of camaraderie! 🏆 🥳 🎉 🇧🇩



LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MATUGAMA SPARKLES WITH ENERGY ON SPORTS MEET 2024!



Gathered on a bright Friday evening (1st of March 2024), Leeds International School, Matugama, pulsated with anticipation for the annual Sports Meet 2024. The air teemed with excitement as the Hope and Harmony houses adorned themselves in vibrant colors, each team exuding infectious enthusiasm. Laughter, cheers, and the thrill of healthy competition filled the day, crafting unforgettable memories for all.



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ANNUAL KIDDIES FAIR DELIGHTS AT LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MATARA



Step into a world of wonder and excitement as we recount the unforgettable highlights of the annual Kiddies Fair at Leeds International School Matara! On March 6th, our school grounds buzzed with activity, featuring a vibrant array of stalls offering stationary, BBQ, fruit juices, gaming, and even beautiful flower plants. Students, teachers, and parents joined forces to create a day filled with laughter, fun, and unity. From thrilling games to mouthwatering treats, the fair was a testament to our school community's spirit and creativity. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made this event a resounding success!



KIDDIES FAIR 2024: WHERE EVERY MOMENT IS A TREASURE AND EVERY SMILE IS PRICELESS LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL HOMAGAMA



Embark on a journey through our enchanted mini-market wonderland at Kiddies Fair 2024, hosted by Leeds Pre School Homagama, where laughter echoed and cuteness overflowed! From handmade treasures to sweet treats, every corner sparkled with kiddie delights. Though the magic of the day may have faded, the memories we made continue to fill our hearts with warmth and joy.

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL PILIYANDALA SPARKLING SMILES AND JOYFUL CHEERS: KIDDIES DAY 2024

Step into the World of Joy and Wonder: Leeds International School, Piliyandala, Hosts a Magnificent Kiddies Day Celebration on March 9th, 2024 at the Grand Park Arena Ground! Honored by the Presence of Chief Guest Mrs. Supipi Nandalal, Deputy Chairperson, Board of Directors, and Principals of the Leeds Network. A Vibrant and Colorful Affair Embracing Full Participation from Students and Parents Alike!



LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BANDARAGAMA KIDDIES SPORTS DAY



Step into the exhilarating ambiance of Leeds International School, Bandaragama, on the 8th of March 2024, as the entire school community unites to celebrate the Kiddies Sports Day. Surrounded by an aura of camaraderie and sportsmanship, students and educators alike come together for a day filled with thrilling competitions, heart-pounding races, and unforgettable moments. From the resounding crack of a bat to the swift motion of a racket, each event serves as a testament to the joy and unity that permeates our school. Beyond mere competition, Sports Day embodies the spirit of fostering friendships, embracing teamwork, and creating enduring memories that resonate with every member of our diverse community.



LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL HORANA KIDDIES DAY 2024: WHERE YOUNG ATHLETES SHINE!

On March 7th, 2024, the school ground buzzed with energy as students from Pre-Grade to Primary 2 celebrated athletics and teamwork in the presence of Mr. Malinda Padmashanka, Assistant Zonal Director Horana - Physical Education, who served as the chief guest. The event, a highlight in the school calendar, showcased the spirited participation of children, supported by both teachers and parents.



Moments of Magic: LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL NEGOMBO ANNUAL FAIR 2024, WHERE JOY KNOWS NO BOUNDS!



The Leeds Negombo branch's annual fair, held on March 15, 2024, was a magical event that captivated all. With games, food stalls, and vibrant decorations, it brought joy to students, teachers, and families alike. The outstanding student performances and learning experiences added to the day's charm. It was a day of laughter, bonding, and unforgettable memories.

Exploring a world of flavors and fun at Kiddies Fair 2024! LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BANDARAGAMA



Leeds International School Bandaragama indulge in delicious treats from the kids food vendors and test the skills at exciting stalls. Children gain so much of experiences and fun through this event by getting a huge knowledge from the Kiddies Fair.



Celebrating Success. Cambridge English Certificate Distribution Ceremony

On the 3rd of March, Leeds International School held a prestigious ceremony to distribute Cambridge English Certificates, honoring the achievements of its students. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Mr. Shafkhaan Faris, Country Manager Sri Lanka, who served as the chief guest. With great pride and enthusiasm, students were recognized for their dedication and proficiency in English language skills, marking a significant milestone in their academic journey.



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Empowering Humanity

LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MATARA

ANNUAL BLOOD DONATION CAMPAIGN VICTORY



Feel the warmth of compassion as Leeds International School Matara orchestrates its annual blood donation camp on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024. In a remarkable display of unity and service to others, students, teachers, and staff unite to make a difference in their community. Under the guidance of the junior and senior prefect board, the atmosphere brims with enthusiasm, fostering widespread participation and resulting in a remarkable collection of vital blood units. The school extends heartfelt gratitude to every donor and volunteer, whose selfless acts embody the true spirit of kindness and generosity. Together, they've not only saved lives but also nurtured a culture of empathy and solidarity that resonates throughout the school and beyond.



FIRST AID TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS

Equipping Our Community for Safety



We're thrilled to announce the successful completion of our "First Aid Training Workshop" in collaboration with the Red Cross Society. Held on 2nd March, our participants, comprising teachers and staff, dedicated themselves to mastering crucial first aid skills. Under expert guidance, they delved into CPR, wound care, and emergency response techniques. This workshop exemplifies our commitment to safety and community welfare. Huge thanks to the Red Cross Society and all participants for making this initiative a success. Let's continue to prioritize preparedness and safety together.

EXPLORE, LEARN AND ENRICH

Field Trip: Leeds International School Galle



Leeds International School Galle organized its annual Field Trip on March 7th, 2024, for Primary (Grade 3 to Grade 6) and Secondary (Grade 7 to Grade 12) students, visiting educational sites including Roopavahini Corporation, Meteorological Department, Vihara Mahadevi Park, and Colombo Museum. Students explored weather science, biodiversity, and cultural heritage at these enriching destinations.

COLORFUL CELEBRATIONS: HAWAII AND RAINBOW DAYS

Leeds International School Maharagama



Leeds Maharagama Preschool recently celebrated Hawaii Day on March 1st and Rainbow Day on March 15th, where young students immersed themselves in vibrant festivities. Dressed in colorful Hawaiian attire for Hawaii Day, they engaged in cultural activities such as hula dancing and lei-making. On Rainbow Day, preschoolers adorned themselves in a spectrum of colors, exploring the beauty of rainbows through art and storytelling. These engaging events not only brought joy to the children but also provided valuable lessons about diverse cultures and the marvels of nature.