

The Link to Baduraliya

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EDITORIAL

Here is the first issue of our magazine and we are delighted to show it to you.

We invite you to discover this link which will allow you to follow all the news of the orphanage.

If you want to take part : articles, questions...please contact us.

The members of the committee

CHRISTMAS IN SRI LANKA

Told by Father Lester

Celebrating Christmas

We enjoy the Christmas holidays. Midnight masses are being offered in every church, carol services in catholic colleges and parishes, crib competitions, some streets are decorated specially in catholic areas, family get-togethers, social get-togethers, parish get-togethers and various musical entertainments, people sharing cultural sweetmeats with non-Christians and gifts for children.

Presents

With 150 euros sent by the association we will be buying clothes for Christmas as gifts for each child. Most of the children have gone home to their families for the vacation and will be back at the end of this month for the new academic year. Only 5 children are left here and they will be given clothes. Once the rest comes back I will be making arrangements for them to buy clothes.

Presentation of the team

Father Lester

New director of the orphanage of Kalutara : Father Lester
Wesjesooriya was appointed by the Cardinal of Sri Lanka in 2012



Mrs Kusum Lanka Jayakodi

Mrs Kusum is the new deputy matron of the orphanage. Aged 46 years old, she is in charge of education and extra curriculum activities. She makes the girls play different sports like cricket and netball.



Her hobbies are gardening, singing and reading. She also does the cooking. The girls really love Mrs Kusum, they say "she loves us a lot. Really she is good".

Visit of the members of the Association

In February 2013, the 4 members of the committee went to Sri Lanka in order to meet the new person in charge of the orphanage of Baduraliya, further to some problems encountered by the committee with the previous person in charge.

Journey from Nantes-Baduraliya

5 days, 17000 km, 11 hour flight.
When it's 8 o'clock in France it is 12.30 in Sri Lanka.



Visit to the Bishop's palace

The four members of the Association met Cardinal Albert

Malcolm Ranjith, Archbishop of Colombo, with Father Lester.

Very friendly and constructive meeting.



Reunion at the orphanage

More than words, photos...



Newcomers

WELCOME TO...



Hasini PRASADIKA



Kaushalya RATNAYAKE



Praveena SUDANIPERERA



M. Malidha Nishadi



M. Nalisha Malithi