

July 1, 2004.

Dear Friends,

Come June and the new academic year springs forth with new admissions... new children.... new sponsorships.

A Parents Meeting was organized on June 13, 2004 for the parents of the sponsored children. Around 350 parents were present. Dr. Vibha Krishnamurthy, a child psychologist and one of our own local sponsors spoke to the parents on Positive Parenting and ways of dealing with children's problems.



Schools re-opened on June 14, 2004 after two months of vacation. Prem Dan at present reaches out to over 600 school children and a few College children.

At the elementary level we have 3 kindergartens with 210 children. These children are taught the English language and are being prepared to secure admission into recognized English medium schools.

On 1st July, Coaching classes commenced for the sponsored children. We have engaged more teachers to help the children with their homework and difficulties. Tuition classes have also been introduced in the Reay Road slum every day from 9 to 12noon.

26 children appeared for the Secondary School Certificate examination of which 15 were successful. The successful ones are Apsara Damai, Ashish Shukla, Hassina Murthuza, Kiran Gaikwad, Melba Stephen, Mohan Mulchand, Mumtazbegum Shukrulla, Neeta Shinde, Prajot Jadhav, Priya Chamai, Raju Gaikwad, Shabnam Shaikh, Sonam Ghadge, Stuti Rathod and Sagar Kishanpad.

Simon Rathinam passed the Higher Secondary Certificate examination. Madhavi Bahadur completed her post-graduation securing a First Class in Master of Science.

Little things stand for bigger things; with our little actions we can reach out to many to make this world of ours a better place. After all, nothing is too small if done out of love. Everything done in love enriches the lives of others and ours as well.

Thank you for the little ways in which you reach out to the underprivileged children. We are indeed grateful

- to our new sponsors who have joined the Prem Dan family and given hope and opportunity to a few more needy children.
- to all our sponsors for your concern, interest and for renewing your sponsorship for this academic year.
- to our dedicated Staff, Helpers, Collaborators and Benefactors.

May God bless your generosity and commitment to the poor and needy children.

Yours gratefully,

Sr. Felicity Morris & Sr. Patricia Santos