

**December
2016 Edition**

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

Colombo Shepherdians in the UK

Newsletter



"They conquer who believe they can"

COLOMBO SHEPHERDIANS IN THE UK NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2016

Dear Members,

It gives me great pleasure to be writing to you all as the new President of the Past Pupils Association. I hope to continue with the excellent work that my predecessors have done during the past years.

In June 2016, the association celebrated its 25th anniversary with a Thank You Mass, Annual General Meeting and a social (report on page 3). Over the past 25 years, the association has grown from strength to strength and has supported our alma mater in several projects. At present one of the main projects is offering scholarships for 5 students which will be on-going for the foreseeable future. Once a student completes her education, a new student will be offered the scholarship. I had the opportunity of being introduced to the students during my visit to the school in June and attached is a photograph taken with the school Principal, Sister Renuka Silva.

For the festive season, we have planned a Christmas get-together on Sunday 11th December 2016 (flyer attached) and hope that many of you can join. It will not be a fund raising event, but an opportunity to meet up and have an enjoyable evening.

I also would like to remind you of our Valentine's Dinner Dance planned for Saturday 11th February 2017 (flyer attached) which is always a big success and is proving to be a very popular event. Please book your tickets in advance in order to avoid disappointment.

I thank you all for your continued support to the association.

Best Wishes

Felicia James
President



VISIT TO SCHOOL BY PRESIDENT



Sr Renuka Silva (Principal) together with Felicia James (President) and the five sponsored students



Mulled wine

Ingredients

- 1 bottle red wine
- 60g/2oz demerara sugar
- 1 cinnamon stick
- grated nutmeg
- 1 orange, halved
- 1 dried bay leaf
- 60ml/2fl oz sloe or damson gin (optional)



Method

Put the wine in a saucepan with the orange, sugar, bay leaf and the spices. Heat gently until the sugar has dissolved. Taste to see if you want the wine sweeter, and add more sugar to taste. Off the heat, stir in the sloe or damson gin if you are using it. Strain into heatproof glasses and serve at once.



**Join the
Colombo Shepherdians
in the UK
for a fun filled evening!**

**Sunday the 11th December 2016
7.00 pm to 12.00 midnight**

**Christmas Cheer!
Carols
Free gift by Santa
Music by a DJ**

Enjoy a 3 course Asian meal

**Tickets: £20 per person
Children: 5-12 years - £15
&
0-5 years - FREE**

**C & L Country Club
West End Road
Northolt
UB5 6RD**

Hope to see you there!

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COLOMBO SHEPHERDIANS IN THE UK

Valentine's Dinner Dance

Saturday 11th February 2017

Ticket Price: £45per person

- * Raffle Prizes
- * Prizes for table draw and entrance tickets
- * Welcome gift for ladies

Enjoy an Asian cuisine with a touch of Sri Lankan

A mouth watering 3 course meal finished off with coffee and mints.

Your table of 10 will include 3 bottles of wine.



Music by EXCEED

Drinks at Reception 7.30 p.m.

Carriages 1.00 a.m.

Venue: Holiday Inn

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