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## Editor's Note

I am delighted to present our Autumn 2015 Edition of **Palmyra** on behalf of the new executive committee of the Hartley College Past Pupil's Association NSW. I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed in the form of articles, comments and in numerous other ways.

**Palmyra** plays an important role in disseminating information on our association's objectives and achievements. It is a tool bringing our Hartley Community together, providing a forum to consolidate and communicate reports, articles, ideas, news or feedback from its readers.

Last year we staged our fourth mega fund raising event **Kalaizh Chuwei 2014** that proved to be yet another successful event; we are determined to make the **Kalaizh Chuwei 2015** even more successful.

We invite you to communicate to us with your comments, suggestions and feedback.

Thank you.

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***Please support needy students and school development program***

## Kalaizh Chuwei 2015

Annual Fund Raising Event

Date: Saturday, 24h October 2015

Time: 6:00pm - 10:30pm

Venue: Bowman Hall, Blacktown, NSW



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## **HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATED, AUSTRALIA**

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Dear Hartleyites,

Once again, I am glad to meet you all through our April newsletter with a number of exciting activities and various school and community projects.

As you are aware, HCPPA (NSW) has been continuously supporting under the theme of "Helping the Student Education" mainly at Hartley College and other needy students in various parts of our homeland. Motivating sons and daughters of our community in NSW through the awards program is another activity started recently by us.

I am pleased to say that our rebuilt Hartley College Hostel is up and running over the last three months. We are communicating with the Principal to be part of the support group along with other overseas HCPPA branches helping the students from various parts of Sri Lanka. A detailed topographical survey of the sports ground has commenced recently as a part of the Sports Facilities Improvement project initiated by HCPPA (NSW) to encourage students to participate more actively in sporting activities. Once the survey is completed, a master plan will be prepared with various options for a decision on an optimum final plan. Additionally we are committed to supporting projects such as the Link Class and Basic Necessity Funds to our school.

On the other hand, we have supported the construction of a toilet block (a basic necessity project) in Poonakary School. I am pleased to say that we have made a difference to a school that suffered with a single toilet for approximately 450 students and 10 teachers. Generous contributions from a group of members of HCPPA (NSW) made possible the distribution of exercise books for poor students from three schools in Thirukovil in the eastern province of Sri Lanka through the Rotary Club of Kalmunai. Currently, we are endeavouring to support the procurement of furniture and fittings to Visvamadu centre through Ramakrishna Mission.

I use this opportunity to thank the members who have contributed towards the recent community projects and would appeal to them to continue to support in the future when the need arises.

We have commenced work on Kalaizh Chuwei 2015 (KC 15) with the view to deliver another successful rocking performance this year too. Our Events calendar for this year has been already published in our web page for your convenience to plan ahead.

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**S Fredrick Thinesh**  
**President, HCPPA NSW**

### **Editor's Note:**

The Editor would like to acknowledge significant contribution by Charles Somasundram in producing this edition of Palmyra.

## HCPPA-NSW AGM 2014 & Family BBQ

Hartley College PPA-NSW AGM 2014 took place on Sunday 19 October 2014 from 11am to 1:15pm at West Pennant Hills Valley Community Centre, West Pennant Hills, NSW.

Member Attendance: 33

Agenda Items: Past year activities (College, Charity and Local), Annual Report, Financial Report, Future plans & opportunities, Election of 2014-2015 committee and Q&A Open discussions.

Elected the following committee members for 2015:

President	- Mr. S Fredrick Thinesh
Vice-President	- Mr.P.S. Paramatheva
Secretary	- Mr.A. Aravinthan
Treasurer	- Mr. Sutha Ratnasingam
Editor	- Mr.S. Subenthiran
Social Secretary	- Mr.S. Ragavan
Sports Secretary	- Mr.S. Janakan
Committee Member	- Mr.G. Vaseeharan
Committee Member	- Mr.S. Kananathan
Committee Member	- Mr.K. Vasanthan
Committee Member	- Mr.C. Somasundram
Committee Member	- Mr.S. Kathirgamanathan
Committee Member	- Mr.T. Suganthan
Auditor	- Mr.V. Sugumar

Immediate Past President - Mr.R. Krishnakumaran

Family BBQ: Family Members and Friends took part in the BBQ from 11:30am. The members joined the family and friends by 1:15pm following the AGM. The sunny weather prevailed on that day added to the enjoyment of those present at the outdoor BBQ with delicious food, drinks and refreshments.

The event concluded at 3:30pm.

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### "Family Hopper Night"

Due to popular request from our NSW members, we are organising a "Family Hopper Night" for the first time.

Please put the date on your diary and attend this inaugural event.

**Saturday, 4 July 2015**

Venue: TBA

## Sports Events

**We have three annual cricket matches to report:**

### **Hartley Vs Jaffna Hindu College (Over 40 years) played on 6 October 2014 at Jones Park, Parramatta**

Hartley won the toss and batted first. After the early departure of the openers Kannan showed some resistance and scored 17 runs against some fine bowling by Ramesh from Jaffna Hindu followed by some big hitting by our star all-rounder Johnson who stroked 60 with five elegant boundaries and Vasee contributed a quick 39 runs. We finished with an impressive 196 runs.

Jaffna Hindu fell short of the target by scoring only 129 with notable contributions of 25 runs from Kukku and 20 from Suba. If you were not at the ground to witness then you have missed an entertaining match. Man of the match was Johnson for his sixty runs and 4 for 23 with the ball. Vasee who scored a courageous 39 runs in the lower order that included 2 towering sixes won the best batsman award. Best bowler was Ramesh from Jaffna Hindu.

Hartley won the match comfortably by 67 runs.

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### **Hartley vs Colombo Royal (open age) played on 2 November 2014 at Henley Park Grounds, Enfield**

Batting first Hartley made an impressive total of 188 runs. Johnson scored 35 runs in a quick fashion with three big sixes and two fours ably assisted by Ramanan, Keeran and Vasee who scored 37, 36 and 32 respectively. Gopi plundered two sixes and two boundaries in the dying overs but remained unbeaten.

Royal could not match the brilliance exhibited by Hartley and folded for a mere 83 runs. Notable scores with the bat from Royal came from Raj Karu 17. Selva 15 and Nimalan 11. Praba and Nandan from Hartley sharing the bowling honours by capturing 3 wickets each and demolishing the opponents early in the play. Hartley won the match by 105 runs with ease.

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### **Hartley vs St.Johns (open age) played on 8 February 2015 at Henley Park Grounds, Enfield**

#### **Hartley Won by 94 runs.**

The first ever match in Sydney against St Johns was played on 8th February 2015 at Henley Park Grounds, Enfield, NSW.

Hartley batted first and scored 157 runs

Kannan	- 33	Dr.Ragavan	- 28
Vasee	- 27(including one 6)	Amir	- 13
Ramanan	- 12	Keeran	- 11

St Johns scored 63 runs

Man of the Match – Vasee - batting 27 runs & Bowling 3-8 (Hartley College)

Best Batsman – Kannan – 33 runs (Hartley College)

Best Fielder - Dr Ragavan (Hartley College)  
Best Bowler – Janakan Jehendran 4-27 (St Johns College)

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## Hartley Hostel Reopens

A historic day was celebrated on 12th January 2015 at Hartley College Hostel when it opened its doors to resident students.

The Ian Karan Hostel officially opened its doors with 18 students who are from faraway places such as Batticaloa, Gampola, Mannar and Vavuniya. This is an important and proud milestone in the resurrection of facilities after the end of civil war. Many of us have fond memories of our hostel whether we were residents of the hostel or not.

The global Hartley College OBAs are partnering with the principal Mr Muhunthan to work out a plan to build student numbers gradually to make this institution a success story again. We thought you would enjoy reading the weekly meals menu that was on offer at the launch of the hostel operations.

### Hartley Hostel Weekly Menu

	Day	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
1	Monday	Bread and Sambol	Rice and curry with fish	Pittu and curry
2	Tuesday	Kadalai	Vegetarian diet	Bread and butter
3	Wednesday	String hoppers	Rice and curry with fish	Rotti and curry
4	Thursday	Kadalai	Rice and curry with egg	Pittu and curry
5	Friday	String hoppers	Vegetarian diet	Pittu and curry
6	Saturday	Bread and sambol	Rice and curry with meat	Uppuma (Rava)
7	Sunday	Pittu and curry	Rice and curry with fish	Noodles.

## Hartley College Guest House

Proposal to build a Guest House for the use of Hartley Community visiting Point has been proposed by the Canada/USA Branch. We will keep you posted with any developments.

## Upcoming Sports Events

The annual tennis game between Hartley College and Jaffna Hindu College will be held on the 10 May 2015 at Barton Park, North Parramatta. Further information will be circulated to all members later and also on our web site.

The annual cricket games between Hartley College and Jaffna Hindu College will be held on 5 Oct 2015 long weekend Monday at John's Park, Parramatta.

## Hartley College 2014 A/L Results

The principal advised us that 10 Hartley students got 3As including 6 from maths stream. The full list is published below:

### J/HARTLEY COLLEGE, POINTPEDRO-2014 A/L BEST PERFORMANCE

#### Maths Stream

	Student Name	Results	Rank in District	Rank in Island	Z-Score
1.	Puvanenthiran Vaikunthan	3A	2	7	2.8832
2.	Selvakumar Anushan	3A	6	22	2.7250
3.	Ganeshwaran Gabilan	3A	9	58	2.6187
4.	Ananthamoorthy Vaiharan	3A	13	102	2.5092
5.	Sitsabesan Suluxan	3A	17	175	2.3966
6.	Kulendran Suren	3A	33	367	2.2213
7.	Rameswaran Sathiyar	2A, B	41	512	2.1526
8.	Maryjoseph Pouljesurajan	2A, B	55	727	2.0437
9.	Kailasanathan Piranavan	2A, B	64	746	1.9973
10.	Thangavel Thivakar	A, 2B	89	1382	1.8455
11.	Sriskantharaja Thanujan	A, 2B	96	1443	1.8302
12.	Sivanesan Satheeswaran	A, 2B	98	1469	1.8234
13.	Shanmuganathan Sugashan*	2A, B	106	1575	1.7944
14.	Anantheswaran Ramanesh	A, 2B	111	1724	1.7557

#### Science Stream

	Student Name	Results	Rank in District	Rank in Island	Z-Score
1.	Thuraisingam Maalogan	3A	2	59	2.4383
2.	Thanabalasingam Gohulan	3A	15	310	2.1568
3.	Sivam Karthikaayan	A, 2B	80	1692	1.7454
4.	Sathyamohan Gowrishankar *	A, 2B	76	1582	1.7693

#### Commerce Stream

	Student Name	Results	Rank in District	Rank in Island	Z-Score
1.	Selvarasa Krishnakumar	3A	13	1040	1.8797
2.	Yogeswaran Arikaran	3A	29	2210	1.7058
3.	Arulanantham Kirekkar	A, 2B	79	5146	1.4271
4.	Sivarasa Kajentheran	2A, B	82	5163	1.4255

\*Second shy



## Hartley College 2014 O/L Results

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	Number of As	SAVANERY	TAMIL LANGUAGE	ENGLISH	MATHEMATICS	HISTORY	SCIENCE	MUSIC	ART	TAMIL LIT	ENGLISH LIT	BUSINESS & STUDIES	GEOGRAPHY	DESIGN TECH	ICT	HEALTH SCIENCE
Karthigesu	Puvinthas	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	
Karunanithi	Ragulan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	
Srikanth	Thulasiyan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A				A
Jeyaranjithan	Thusyanthan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	
Satkunanathan	Chukirthan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A	A					A		A	
Srikanthan	Lalithakanthan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	
Selvathas	Anojh	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A				A
Kumar	Kavithas	9	A	A	A	A	A	A		A			A				A
Ravichandran	Ragavan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	
Rajeswaran	Thaneesan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A			A			A
Pushparajah	Kanimaruthan	9	A	A	A	A	A	A			A		A			A	

## Annual Inter-House Athletic Meet of Hartley College

Annual Inter-House Athletic Meet of Hartley College was held on Saturday, February 14, 2015 on the school grounds.

The chief guest was Mr.K.Arulanantham, Retired Deputy Principal, Hartley College.

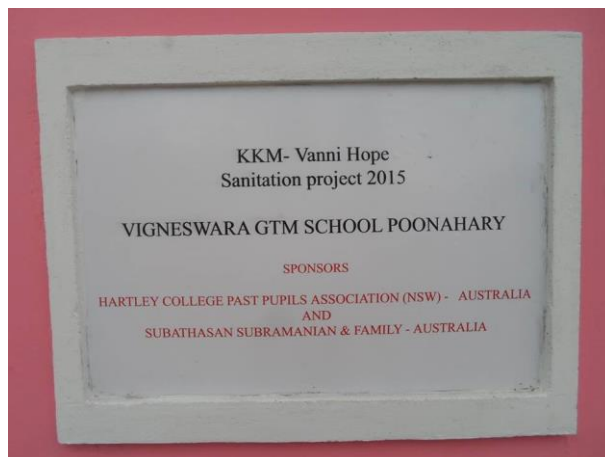


Annual Inter-House Athletic Meet Photos

## Community Projects update:

### New Toilet Block at Poonakary Sri Vigneswara Vidyalayam

Pictures of new Toilet Block at Poonakary Sri Vigneswara Vidyalayam built at a cost of \$1,100 with the help of funds donated by HCPPA (NSW)



### Thurukovil Exercise Books Donation

Pictures at the exercise books donation event to three schools in Easter Province, Thurukovil area through the Kalmunai Rotary Club



## Future Events Calendar

Events	Date and Time	Venue
Annual Tennis Match HCPPA NSW vs JHC OBA	09:30am Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	Barton Park, North Parramatta
"Family Hopper Night" (new event)	Saturday, 4 July 2015	TBA
Annual Cricket Match HCPPA NSW vs JHC OBA	09:30am Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Jones Park, Parramatta.
Kalaizh Chuwei – 2015 (KC15)	06:00pm Saturday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Bowman Hall, Blacktown
Annual General Meeting	11am Sunday, 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	TBA