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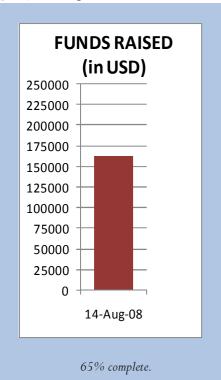
NEW SCHOOL YEAR

The 2008-9 Academic Year began on 11th June with great gusto. The number of pupils has increased from 27 to 38 compared to the previous year which represents a statistically impressive growth rate of 40.7%. The increase is due partly to a larger number of local faithful



choosing to send their children to the school and partly due the strategy of accepting as many boys as possible from our village Mass Centres.

The fact that more local children attend the school is a welcome vote of confidence from our parents. In theory, all Catholic parents should automatically choose a school based on its ability to give their children a firm grounding in the faith and to develop virtue. In practice, however, the desire for worldly success usually makes the decision unnecessarily complicated, but if we do our job properly, our Catholic children will be both holy and successful. Indeed, it is not an





Mischievous sisters, Mary Rose and Mary Magdalene have recruited our youngest pupil Sarah (also known as 'Trouble') to their gang.

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Volunteer Miss Bridget Bevan of the U.K. Miss Bevan was a pupil of the Dominican school, Notre Dames des Victoires in France and has recently completed a Licence in Classics at the Institute Saint-Pie X in Paris. Here she is teaching religion to Standard 3. It's not just anyone who can teach at Veritas Academy.

exaggeration to say that, against the background of a lamentable educational system, our children will be the new aristocracy in a few years' time. The decision to encourage the attendance of children from our village Mass Centres has been made precisely for this reason. We want to return the children to their villages (those who have no vocation) as an elite, to form



Mr. Theresian Babu of Palayamkottai has completed his third year of seminary at Winona. It was four years ago since he last came home and, as soon as he arrived, our Tamil teacher came down with chickenpox. He is now the Tamil teacher at the school. Someone is praying for us somewhere.

good Catholic families. Sunday Mass alone is not enough, even if it is followed by catechism. At the moment, we can only accept village boys but maybe next year the Consoling Sisters will be able to accept some girls too...

NEW BUILDING PROJECT

We are assured that we are within a whisker of obtaining planning permission. Please pray for this intention. Ω



Mary Rita on cleaning duty after the exams. The academic year is made up of 4 quarters. At the end of each quarter are exams.



Mr. Yannick Suhard of Sweden has completed his third of seminary at Econe. The photograph gives a deceptively ordered view of a Standard 3 spelling class.