

Veritas Academy



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NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

The new academic year began on 8th June with 59 pupils of which 26 are orphans and the rest from the families of our faithful. All but the senior girls are now based at the old orphanage where there

are nine classrooms and a rudimentary science lab. The senior girls have their classes at the new orphanage in a converted shed.

In the future, we would very much like to build a girls' school on the new orphan-

age land and a boys' school on some land nearby, but these projects are still at the prayer intention stage of the planning process.

The project to obtain official approval for the school moved one step closer—our application was favourably received and we now await an inspection. Isn't it funny how the word "inspection" sends a shiver down the spine wherever you are in the world.

As usual we are always on the lookout for good Catholic teachers—especially local teachers. We presently have an over dependence on noble volunteers from all parts of the world who can stay for no longer than six months at a time. This year we have been blessed with a number of volunteers returning for a second tour of duty. To have stability in the staff is very important for the children ...and the headmaster too!

May God grant that we be useful instruments in His hands for the forming of His image in our children. Ω



Kids everywhere. Gladys the goat gave birth to four kids on the feast of St. Lawrence. The kids have been named Lawrence, Hippolytus, Tibertius and Susanna.



Miss Philomena McNamara of Sydney, Australia teaches Standard 1 & 2 under the coconut trees.



“Vinnarasi! Here, here und here.... dearie me... yer cannae right that lassie?” exclaims Miss Monica Marshall of Motherwell, Scotland



Miss Alix Dusausoy of Lille, France reads through a French text with Anthony Phil. French is an option for the exams because of Pondicherry in Tamil Nadu. Pondicherry was a French colonial possession in the 18th century and the French language is still spoken there.



Miss Jeya Chandra, a new teacher, teaches maths to the Standard 6 Girls. Perseverance is the chief virtue required.



Mr. Oliver Alderson of Newbury, U.K. in fine form at the whiteboard.