

# Friends of Children Trust

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## FoCh Newsletter

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*2012-13 Quarter 4*

### 1 Update of 2012-13 Quarter 4

It's time for our quarterly update, the final one of the financial year 2012-13. This quarter saw different activities – many a first.

#### 1.1 Mock Interview

We had a mock interview session in the month of February for the second and final year degree students. This evolved out of a discussion between the volunteers and degree students. The session, a whole day affair, consisted of Written Test (30 questions), Group discussions, Technical Interview and HR Interview. The written test group discussions and HR interview were conducted by the volunteers. The Technical interviews were conducted by volunteers and friends who have considerable technical experience as well as interviewing experience in their respective organizations. The written test was on aptitude and the group discussion included topics like “Should public sector be privatized”, “Are Indians less quality conscious”. It was heartening to see the seriousness of the students, which was reflected in their dressing and behavior while awaiting their turn for the interviews.

The overall process gave us lot of new insights on the needs of the students.

#### 1.2 Training and placement for passed out students

Two of our previous batch students, Manjula and Anjum were not able to get good jobs and were finding it difficult to crack through the selection process of corporate. We sent them for a month long training at GFS, Dharwad. (<http://vidyaposhak.org/index.php/programs/graduate-finishing-school>). Upon the completion of this training Anjum was able to secure a job in JP Morgan. Manjula wanted to continue with her current job for some more time before looking for a change. Training has brought about positive impact in both Anjum and Manjula. Though we have been associated with GFS from several years in conducting short duration courses, this was first time we sent our students for a longer training period. We plan to send our current final year students also for this long duration training after their 6th semester exams.

Our previous batch student Lakshmi (B.Sc) completed her 3 months training at Infosys, Bhubaneswar and has been posted in Bangalore.

#### 1.3 Formalizing Training Material

We started working on formalizing training material for Aptitude and English. The focus of Aptitude will be mainly for degree commerce students to help them in job placement. The syllabus for Aptitude has been finalized and material for each topic is under development. A similar exercise has been planned for English. If any one of you would like to contribute in creating the materials, please feel free to contact us.

#### 1.4 Examinations and Results

The odd semester examination results were declared in this quarter.

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester:** 13 students appeared for 1<sup>st</sup> semester degree exams, out of which 1 got distinction, 6 got 1<sup>st</sup> class, 1 got 2<sup>nd</sup> class, 2 passing class and 3 students have subject(s) pending. Lavanya (B.A.) was highest among our students with 79.67%

**3<sup>rd</sup> Semester:** 19 students appeared for 3<sup>rd</sup> semester degree exams, out of which 2 got distinction, 6 got 1<sup>st</sup> class, 7 got 2<sup>nd</sup> class, 2 passing class and 2 students have subject(s) pending. Pooja (B.Com) was highest among our students with 83.67%

**5<sup>th</sup> Semester:** 5 students appeared for 5<sup>th</sup> semester degree exams, out of which 4 got 1<sup>st</sup> class, 1 got 2<sup>nd</sup> class. Rajesh (B.Sc) was highest among our students with 78.66%.

Detailed results of all students is given in **Section 6**

This year 9 of our students have appeared for 2nd PUC exams, results are awaited.

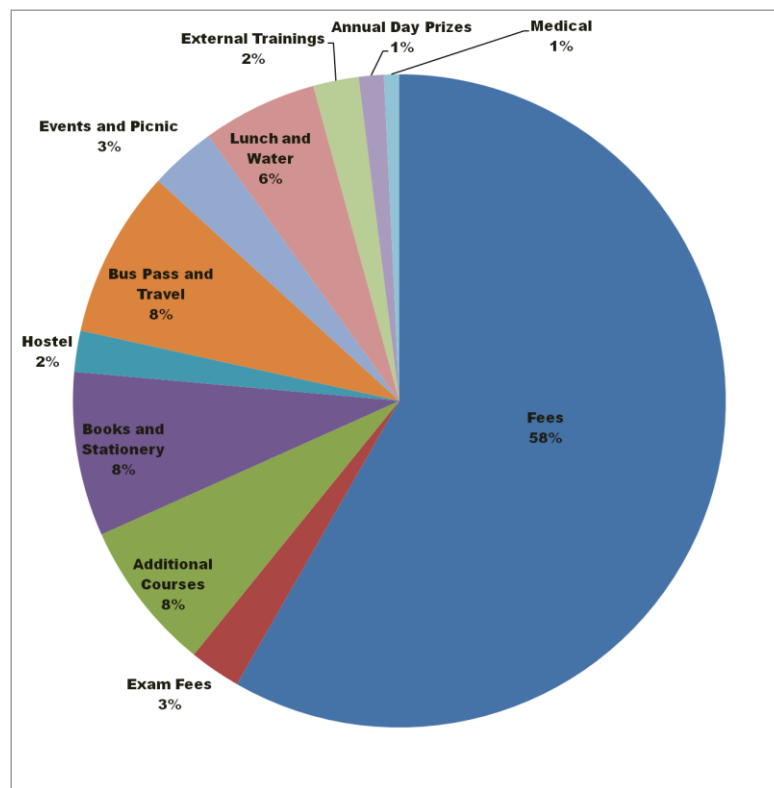
## 2 Financial Statement Year 2012-13

This being the final quarter of the financial year 2012-13 we present the annual expenditure of the organization. The summary is given below in **Table 1**

Opening Balance for 2012-13	2,59,300 Rs
Bank Interest	6,178 Rs
Donations	7,91,100 Rs
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>7,66,935 Rs</b>
Closing Balance for 2012-13	2,89,643 Rs

**Table 1: Expense Summary**

The breakup of total expenses is graphically illustrated in Figure 1



**Figure 1: Expense Breakup**

## 3 Year Ahead

As the academic year comes to an end, it's time for identification of new students. The process was initiated with visits to 3 government schools

- Government High School Chickpet
- Aralepete Govt School
- Corporation School, Kasturba Nagar

We will also be getting references of Kannada medium student from St Teresa Girls School, Chamrajpet. The selection process will involve discussion with student, parents and house visit. Also to gauge the sincerity of students and identify their area of interests we will be conducting a few sessions for the new students in the coming weeks.

## 4 Fund requirements for financial year 2013-14

We intend to take about 15-20 students this year, while 5 of our students will complete their degree and pass out. Our funds requirement for the next year will be about Rs. 8, 50,000 - Rs. 9, 00,000. Of this we would need around Rs.5, 00,000 in the next 2 months.

Contributions can be done to Friends of Children trust either by online transfer or by issuing cheque. In either case please send a mail to [contact.foch@gmail.com](mailto:contact.foch@gmail.com) indicating your contribution as it will help us in tracking your contribution. Also please do mention your PAN number in the email as this is needed by Income tax department, and also helps us in issuing receipt for your contribution.

### 4.1 Transfer funds online

This is a preferred mode of accepting donations for us. You may transfer funds to our account – details given below. Friends of Children Trust ICICI Bank A/c number: 000201038922 IFSC code: ICIC0000002 Branch: Bangalore – Commissariat Road (also displayed as MG Road on some internet banking pages)

**Imp Note:** While making an online transfer, please mention ACCOUNT HOLDERS' NAME in the transaction remarks. (Do NOT mention any other text – for e.g. Friends of Children). Having a/c holders' name helps us in correctly tracking online donations and for auditing purposes.

### 4.2 Payment by Cheque

Send us a cheque: Mail/Courier your cheque favoring 'Friends of Children Trust' to the below address. Friends of Children Trust c/o Akash Narayana No 3615, 6th Cross, 13th G Main, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560008

Drop a cheque favoring 'Friends of Children Trust' at any ICICI Bank drop-box in Bangalore. Please specify the Account No 000201038922 on reverse side of the cheque.

## 5 Students Area

This time we have a write up by our 1<sup>st</sup> year degree student, Jhancy Rani on her birthday experience.

### 5.1 My first Birthday – Jhancy Rani

Hi friends!

Why I prefer to call this birthday (2013) as “my first birthday” is that today is the day when I was really born into life. Understood what is what? Confused?

Let me make it clear.

This April 16th, 2013 has been the greatest happiest day of my life, not only because of my birthday but because of my friends, family and everyone.

I did not have any plans for my birthday as I was depressed in many ways and by many. But I had little hope that my fellow beings would wish me. I was waiting for a call/SMS from my friends till 12:00 last night. But I did not get any calls except the “goodnight” SMS. I hoped in the morning there may be messages but there were only two wishes.

I got freshened up and took the blessings of my grandparents and thought of leaving for college. I expected a surprise there. My mom told me that she had arranged for a cake and asked me to wait till it came. I waited to not make mom sad.

There was a surprise waiting for me, all my friends and my uncle were coming towards my home with a big shining gift along with a big cake. I could not realize what is happening. They gave me a musical greeting card, a doll, knife and candle and so many things. I was totally surprised.

They took me to 'Nele Kele' a good place with a lot of tiny angels. There I really enjoyed and distributed chocolates among the children, played with them and even some of my friends also joined there. Then they took me to Mc Donalds, there we had a party. We played with ice cubes and made the McD as dirty as possible.

Then we moved to another place called 'Nethra'. Even there I shared my happiness with all my elder friends. By that time it came to the end of the day, my brother came for me and my friends to KFC, there again we had a good time.

Like how Buddha realized about life under the tree, I realized today under the shadow of all my friends. I would like to say that life is a crown given by God, all the people like parents, friends, relatives, enemies are all precious stones again given by the Almighty itself. Our duty is to place all the diamonds into the crown and make it good looking. Of course problems, difficulties also are the tools given to us. Let us not throw these because it is difficult to handle them. These are the tools which will help in decorating the crown.

Please don't lose any diamonds for small misunderstandings because even if the crown is full of other beautiful diamonds, its beauty reduces if one is less. Then all our work will remain as incomplete. So here I would suggest a few things to be happy in life

1. Get angry very slow but forgive very soon
2. Love and trust are the two major powers we have so use it on everyone who deserves it
3. Don't get hurt by words from the mouth, try to understand the feelings of the heart
4. The world is so big and life is so small, break out of your shell and enjoy everything
5. Make others happy and you will automatically be happy
6. Don't hate people for their mistakes, make them realize their mistake and help them correct it

Like this if we continue, other things will follow automatically.

Like this I never had a happiest experience, don't know if again I will have this, but enjoyed a lot. I want all the readers of this should enjoy every day.

The write up is dedicated to all my friends.

## 6 Detailed Degree Results

Name	Course	%
Aravind	B.Com	41.17%
Ayesha	B.A.	58.40%
Gayathri	B.Com	72.17%
Jhancy	B.Com	70.50%
Kusuma	B.Com	31.50%
Lavanyya	B.A.	79.67%
Monika K	B.Com	62.83%
Pavan	B.Com	62.83%
Sowmya	B.Com	72.17%
Suman	B.Com	28.33%
Uma	LLB	41.25%
Usha	B.Com	28.80%
Veena	B.Com	74.00%

Table 2: 1<sup>st</sup> semester results

Name	Course	%
Arpitha	B.Com	54.50%
Kiran	B.Com	71.83%
Krishnaveni	B.Com	70.83%
Rajesh	B.Sc	78.66%
Usha	B.Com	65.17%

Table 3: 5<sup>th</sup> semester results

Name	Course	%
Baby P	B.Com	54.00%
Bindya	B.Com	67.83%
Honnubai	B.Com	44.00%
Jyothi	B.Com	77.00%
Kavitha A	B.Com	72.00%
Muthu G	B.Com	48.50%
Nandini	B.Com	57.33%
Nethravathi	B.Com	36.17%
Nethrashree	B.Com	56.33%
Pooja	B.Com	83.67%
Prasanna RS	B.Com	66.17%
Rehmaan	B.Com	69.67%
Savitha	B.A.	67.40%
Shafiya	B.Com	51.50%
Shobha B	B.Com	51.83%
Sowmyaltha	B.Com	54.50%
Veena	B.Com	38.50%
Vinutha R	B.Com	64.00%
Yogeshpriya	B.Com	57.67%

Table 4: 3<sup>rd</sup> semester results