

# Friends of Children Trust

Empowering through Education

## FoCh Newsletter

2014-15 Quarter 2



*The family of Friends of Children Trust wishes you a very Happy Diwali*

### 1 Update of 2014-15 Quarter 2

The quarter started with last minute admissions and soon got into the regular session cycle. Focus was given to make the new students comfortable in the new environment and also to help our graduated students with placements.

This has been a happening quarter with lot of activities which included Annual Day, Quiz, Logo competition, presentation on Health and Hygiene and Mock Interview.

#### 1.1 FoCh celebrated its 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Day

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual day was celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 2014 at Udaya Bhanu Kala Sangha. Like last year, this year too the annual day was organized and coordinated completely by our students. Our students showcased their talents - dancing, acting, singing and presentation skills. Veena of 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com created a [video invitation](#) for the event, we appreciate her innovative idea.



The annual day celebration started with invocation song followed by group dances, solo dances, comedy skit and a skit on child marriage. A mime by 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Com students saying “No to female infanticide” was the highlight of the day. Another first was a fashion show. Our girls dressed up in ethnic dresses of different regions of India and came up with a catchy line from the region to make the audience guess the region. All the graduated students and students who completed 2<sup>nd</sup> PUC were felicitated. The winners and the runners up of the Annual Quiz were awarded prizes. The annual report was presented by Santosh and Kalaivani. Over all this year’s annual day celebration was thoroughly enjoyed by our audience. The event is getting

better by the year. Cheers to our all students... and waiting for the next one. Experience sharing by one of our student on the annual day is available in **Students Area**.

## 1.2 Launching of new Logo

We wanted to design a logo, and thought that the best can come from our students itself. We conducted a logo competition for all the students and received an encouraging response. About 25 logos designs were received. A team of 5 volunteers evaluated the entries and selected a logo created by Jhancy, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com. The logo will undergo necessary modifications before being launched.

## 1.3 Annual Quiz

As usual the quiz consisted of a written qualifying round, followed by the final oral quiz. This year we the written quiz was created and conducted by our post graduate students Rajesh, M.Sc 2<sup>nd</sup> year and Kiran, M.Com, 2<sup>nd</sup> year. The quiz was open for all PUC and under graduate students. In total 60 students appeared for the written round, out of which 8 students (4 teams of 2 students each) were selected for the final round.

The team of Ramya, 1<sup>st</sup> PUC and Sowmya, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com won the 1<sup>st</sup> place in the finals.

## 1.4 Mock Interview

Mock interview was conducted for 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 3<sup>rd</sup> year degree students, to help them experience job interviews. Students were screened through Aptitude and English tests followed by a group discussion. Selected students had to undergo multiple rounds of interviews. Help was taken from our alumni for conducting technical interviews. Based on the performance of students in the various rounds, finally 2 students Veena, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com and Pavan, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com were selected.

All students were given individual feedback, and it also gave us insight on preparedness of students to face the interviews. We have identified activities accordingly to bridge the gaps.

## 1.5 Presentation on Health and Hygiene by Medical College students

Students of final year medicine from JJM Medical College, Davangere gave a talk on Health and Hygiene to our students. The talk covered aspects of health and hygiene including personal hygiene and cleanliness, types of diseases, causes and impact. Importance of balanced diet and effects of unbalanced diet on the health of a person was also covered. It was well received by the students and they asked many questions, and it turned out to be a very interactive session.

## 1.6 Examination and Results

The Even Semester examination results were declared. 8 students had appeared for B.Com 2<sup>nd</sup> semester exams, 11 students for B.Com 4<sup>th</sup> semester, and 16 students for B.Com 6<sup>th</sup> Semester. Out of the 16 students appearing for B.Com 6<sup>th</sup> semester, **15 completed their graduation successfully**. Unfortunately one student has an arrear in one subject which she can clear in June 2015. The details of results are given below in Table 1.

Name	Course	6th Sem	Total	Current Status
Pooja	B.Com	89.00%	85.83%	Northern Trust
Jyothi	B.Com	84.00%	80.91%	TCS
Prasanna Kumar	B.Com	74.67%	70.08%	Looking for Job
Savitha	B.A.	75.50%	68.92%	Pursuing M.A.
Vinutha R	B.Com	74.00%	67.50%	Capgemini
Muthu G	B.Com	73.83%	65.64%	HP
Bindya	B.Com	73.17%	64.83%	Looking for Job
Rehmaan	B.Com	72.67%	64.57%	CMC Ltd
Shobha B	B.Com	68.83%	61.22%	Mphasis
Deepa	B.Com	58.00%	58.19%	Mphasis
Nethrashree	B.Com	64.67%	58.17%	Oracle
Shafiya	B.Com	71.50%	57.06%	CMC Ltd

Sowmyaltha	B.Com	63.50%	56.81%	JustDial
Baby P	B.Com	62.17%	52.94%	Indian Market
Honnubai	B.Com	67.00%	48.67%	Mphasis
Nethravathi	B.Com	52.17%	47.25%	Need to clear a paper

Name	Course	4th Sem
Aravind	B.Com	58.83%
Ayisha	B.A.	59.20%
Gayathri	B.Com	76.00%
Jhancy	B.Com	74.17%
Lavanyya	B.A.	80.00%
Monika K	B.Com	74.67%
Pavan	B.Com	66.00%
Sowmya	B.Com	76.00%
Uma	LLB	48.60%
Usha	B.Com	49.83%
Veena	B.Com	72.67%

Name	Course	2nd Sem
Asha	B.Com	45.40%
Bhagya	B.Com	64.33%
Divya	B.A.	48.80%
Jacqueline	B.Com	55.33%
Manjula	B.Com	69.67%
Samreen	B.Com	71.00%
Sarah Jennifer	B.Com	69.67%
Shahbaz	B.Com	47.17%

**Table 1: Degree results detailed**

Degree students are currently focusing on their odd semester exams, which are going on, and for PUC 2<sup>nd</sup> year students we started conducting practice exams.

### 1.7 Joys

Students taking on responsibilities proactively and managing the Annual Day, for the second year in succession was heartening. The response to the logo competition demonstrated the students belonging to the organization.

Shobha and Rehman, who were attending interviews landed jobs in Mphasis and CMC Ltd. There was a minor hiccup for Honnubai and Baby when their offer letter was withdrawn by their employers without any reason. They, however, confidently attended interviews and landed themselves jobs in Mphasis and India Money respectively.

## 2 Financial Statement of Q2 2014-15

This quarter we have spent Rs. 184,024 of which 39% was spent towards fees, 32% towards Bus passes, around 11% on Lunch for students on Sundays, 8% on Books, 7% on prizes for graduate students and rest 3% on other Miscellineous expenses.

We have received donations to the tune of Rs. 2.44 lakhs and our balance at the end of the quarter is Rs. 1.84 lakhs.

The summary is given below in **Table 2**

Opening Balance for Q2 2014-15	123,961
Bank Interest	0
Donations	244,101
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>184,024</b>
Closing Balance for Q1 2014-15	184,038

**Table 2: Expense Summary**

The breakup of total expenses is graphically illustrated in Figure 1

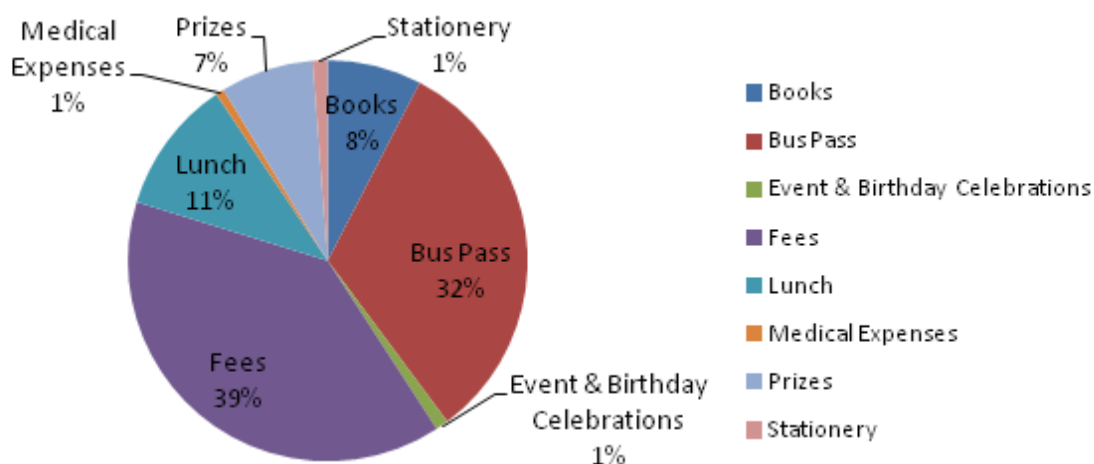


Figure 1: Expense Breakup

### 3 Plans for the next quarter

- Focusing on 2<sup>nd</sup> PUC students for their PUC exams
- Mock Interviews
- Preparing Final year Degree students for Placements
- Outing for students

### 4 Fund requirements for Q3 2014-15

The main expenses for Quarter 3 will be in Exam Fees, training and outing. The total expenses are expected to be around Rs. 1 lakh.

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)

**Note:** While making an online transfer, please mention ACCOUNT HOLDERS NAME in the transaction remarks. 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 Get in Touch with us

The best way to know more about our organization is to visit us on Sunday's between 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at Bhavan-Bangalore Press School, Chamrajpet (Google Map Link: <http://goo.gl/maps/YtpJ5>). We meet the students every Sunday at Bhavan-Bangalore Press School.

You can also get in touch with us by either dropping an email to [contact.foch@gmail.com](mailto:contact.foch@gmail.com), or calling any of the following volunteers.

**Meena Artwani:** 994Five394747

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## 6 Students Area

### 6.1 Write up on Annual Day by Gayathri S, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com

Hi Friends, I am Gayathri .

I am going to share my experience about the Annual day of the year 2014-15 of our family called Friends of Children Trust (FoCh).

I started my journey in FoCh in the year 2010-11. I have completed my schooling from St.Teresa's girls high school. I came to know about FoCh from my School, after I completed my SSLC Exams I came for the first time to FoCh on a Sunday. The volunteers explained us about what are the options available after SSLC which directed towards commerce stream. At present I'm pursuing final year B.com in NMKRV College for women.

Today I would like to share my experience on the 14th year annual day.

Our annual day was conducted in Udayabhanu Kalasangha, the annual day program was based on a theme of "Journey in a Bus". The anchors were a Driver and a Conductor, and the audience were Passengers. It started with a prayer song, Invocation dance, to begin the program. This year annual day we came up with all innovative ideas like animated video invitation, fashion show and mime.

The coordinators were all our final year students. Everyone took the responsibility and they coordinated well, which resulted in success of the event. Coordinators motivated all the students to participate in the program. We invited all the Donors, well-wishers, alumni and the parents. Our Alumni shared their experience about their journey in FoCh

The annual report was presented by Santosh and Kalaivani, which gave an overview to the Donors, Parents on working style of FoCh.

When I started my journey in FoCh, I was one of the silent and shy girl and because of FoCh I became bold and gained lot of confidence and I was one of the anchors for 2014-15 annual day. This shows that how FoCh is playing major role in a Student's life.

### 6.2 Greeting Card prepared by Veena, 3<sup>rd</sup> B.Com



### 6.3 Artwork by Pooja, 2014 Graduated student

