FoCh Newsletter

2016-17 Quarter 1 (April-June)

1 Update of 2016-17 Quarter 1

This quarter has always been the busiest, withnew student selection process, college admissions for new and old students, and 2nd PU results. We inducted 14 new students (13 1st PUC and 1 2nd PUC), bringing the total to 53 students. Events - 'Fresher's day' and 'Alumni day' - added the glitter.

1.1 Student numbers

New student intake: We had reached out to over 200 students in Govt. schools. 40 students presented themselves after their 10th exams, and applied for support. They went through the selection process involving pre-admission sessions, house-visits and course-college-counselling.

At the end of this process, we inducted 14 new students.

Note: We had estimated support to 25 students, but after the selection processonly 14 qualified.

During the selection process we ensure,

- We reach the needy, who would not be able to pursue quality education without our support.
- We recommend appropriate course-college based on our understanding of the aptitude/ability of the students.

Existing students

Of the 65 existing students, 7 passed out and support to 19 students has been discontinued for one of the following reasons

- In case of improved home economic condition, financial aid is either reduced/stopped.
- In case students have been highly irregular to schools, and not making use of the opportunities.

At the end of this exercise, we have 40 students continuing with us.

We now have 53 students in the new academic batch, 44 of them have been financially supported, and remaining 9 needed only mentoring support. The overall student course-wise break-up is captured in the table below.

Course	Students	Financial support	New students
1 st PU (11 th grade)	13	10	13
2 nd PU (12 th grade)	13	11	1
1 st BCom	6	6	
1 st BA	1	1	
1 st BE	1	1	
2 nd BCom	4	3	
2 nd BE	3	1	
2 nd BSc	1	1	
3 rd BCom	10	9	
LLB – 2 nd year	1	1	
Total students	53	44	14

We had estimated to reach out to 70 students, currently 53 students are being reached out. We also have lateral admission throughout the year for needy students. The student list keeps growing through the academic year.



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1.2 2nd PUC results

We had 10 students, 6 in commerce, 3 in science and 1 in arts. We continue to have good performance by students from commerce stream and arts stream. Science stream continues to be challenging, we had mixed results.

Name	Combination	10th results(%)	12th results(%)	Next step
Anusha D S	Commerce	70	89	B.Com
Sumaiya	Commerce	74	86	B.Com
Rajeshwari	Commerce	74	84	B.Com
Nagarathna S	Commerce	65	66	B.Com
NagmaNigar	Commerce	66	60	B.Com
Hemavathi*	Commerce	43	39	B.Com
Swapna	Science	89	71	BE
Meghana*	Science	85	71	B.Sc
Deepak. S	Science	68	44	B.Com
SadikaBanu	Arts	64	84	BA

^{*} Not supported further

2 Events

Fresher's day and Alumni day were conducted during one of the Sunday afternoons at the school.

2.1 Fresher's day

The new students were welcomed into the FoCh family. The senior students conducted a two hour program involving ice-breaking games, introductions, and cultural activities. We had 40 students participating. The fresher's participated with gusto. This event helps them to bond with the senior students and overcome their shyness.

2.2 Alumni day

It indeed was a happy day to see many of our alumni students, we had 38 of our ex-students participating, the event happened at our Sunday school. It was a fun filled event with various games and interactions. The event helps in the alumni sharing new perspectives on our organization and also helps in attracting back as volunteers. Meeting batchmates and other alumni helps in re-kindling an interest to further academic studies.





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3 Jobs

Five students graduated and one student will be completing her post-graduation soon. **Two of them are still looking for placements**. Looking forward for support from all of you in helping us get the remaining students placed.

Student Name	Course	Status
Bhagya	B.Com	Started working at TCS
Divya	B.A.	Started working as a school teacher
Jacqueline	B.Com	Looking for an opportunity
Manjula	B.Com	Started working at Capgemeni
SamreenTaj	B.Com	Started working as a school teacher
Sarah Jennifer	B.Com	Started working at Capgemini
Savitha	M.A.	Looking for an opportunity in teaching

4 Joy

Akram Rafiq, alumni and current volunteer took a step closer to realize his dream of becoming a Chartered Accountant. He cleared the Group A Finals exam. He is just one step away from becoming a Chartered Accountant.

5 Financial Statement 2015-16

This quarter saw high expenses with payment of college fees, and we had good support from all of you too.

Opening Balance for 2016-17	3,29, 117 Rs
Bank Interest	2,343Rs
Donations	4,46,00 Rs
Total Expenses	5,50,146Rs
Closing Balance for 2016-17	2,27,314 Rs

Table 1: Financial Summary

The breakup of Q1 2016-17 expenses is graphically illustrated in Figure 1. The college admission fees constituted 95% of our expenses. Additional Expenses include Bus Passes, Books and other miscellaneous expenses.

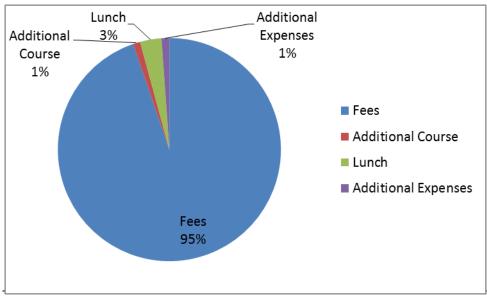


Figure 1: Expense Breakup



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6 Plans for Quarter 2 2016-2017

- Annual Day we plan to host the event on Sep 18th or 25th, will send out an invite with details soon.
- Annual Quiz Open to all students.

7 Fund requirements for financial year 2016-17 Quarter 2

Fee payment continues in quarter 2 for some students. We would be requiring around Rs 3,00,000 this quarter. We are also looking ahead to add another Rs 5,00,000 towards corpus over the year.

Contributions can be made to Friends of Children Trust either by online transfer or by issuing a cheque. In either case please send a mail to 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 while issuing a receipt for your contribution.

7.1 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)

<u>Imp Note:</u> 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.

7.2 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 AkashNarayana 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.

8 Get in Touch with us

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

You can also get in touch with us by either dropping an email at contact.foch@gmail.com, or calling any of the following numbers

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