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Devon has been experiencing some glorious weather over the past three weeks although I understand some of the UK has had heavy rain and flooding. It was expected that the monsoons would arrive in Goa about the 9th June; they already are receiving the pre-monsoon rains which are accompanied by violent thunderstorms and high winds but as at the 13th June they have still not arrived. Last year was a poor monsoon with below average rainfall and it was hoped that this year would be better but if the rains do not come soon there will be great risk of drought later in the year causing poor crop harvests.

Day Care Centre.

We are still experiencing great difficulties in recruiting qualified physiotherapists. Those that qualify are seeking employment outside India and two of our current staff are due to embark on careers in Canada and the UK in the next few months.

Hopefully we will have more positive news in time for our next newsletter as Dr Mina is expecting to carry out interviews in July.

Starting Point

Starting Point reopened after the ‘summer’ break on June 6th as did all schools in Goa – term times are laid down by the government. Jane will be recruiting new students to replace those who graduated to Little Flower and St. Teresa’s.



Starting Point School



Students & staff

Educational Sponsorship Scheme.

Five students sat their 10th Std. exams (equivalent to our 'O' levels) Two passed with distinction and two with secondary passes. I have been holding up the issue of this newsletter hoping to hear of the fifth student's grades but to date there is no news. The four that have passed have now enrolled at St. Teresa's college in the commerce department for two years following which they will take their 'A' level exams. I am sure their sponsors will be very proud of them and we must not lose sight of the fact that it has been the generosity of the sponsors that has given them the opportunity of a worthwhile education.

Four children graduated from Starting Point earlier this month and have now commenced their formal education at either Little Flower or St. Teresa's schools. We would hope that they will stay at school and eventually sit and pass their 10th Std. exams.

A big thank you to all our educational sponsors and I hope over the coming years to be able to tell you all that your respective child has succeeded in passing their 10th Standard (School leaving Certificate).

This is a photo taken in November 2015 of most of the students who attend Little Flower or St. Teresa's formal schools.



Sponsors & supporters.

Pat & I had the pleasure to have Hazel stay with us during her brief stay in the U.K. Like so many UK citizens who have emigrated to Europe she is waiting the results of the referendum and wondering how it will affect them.

To those of you who knew Str. Jessie whilst she was at Damadem I am pleased to let you know that she made a brief visit to Goa and Dr. Mina says she is well.

For those who follow sport there is much activity. In the cricket the third test against Sri Lanka is underway – we have already won the first two matches and the series. There is the test series against Pakistan later this year, plus the 2016 Football Euro Cup and the Rio Olympics to look forward to. Unfortunately Andy Murray failed to win the French Tennis Open. For those who do not follow sport let's hope for a long and sunny summer so that you can sit in the garden and sip whatever you enjoy!

For those with children of school age – never mind the six weeks holiday will soon pass!

Best wishes to you all. Clive

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