

Sri Lanka Buddhist Vihara Perth Western Australia

Dhamma School



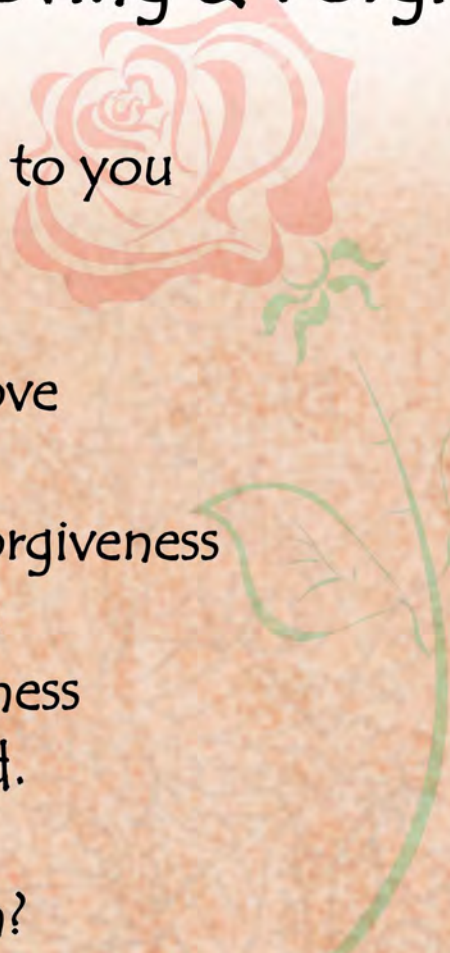
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Mavu Piya Upahára Ulela

2020

Maddington Community Center
06th December 2020



Loving & Forgiving

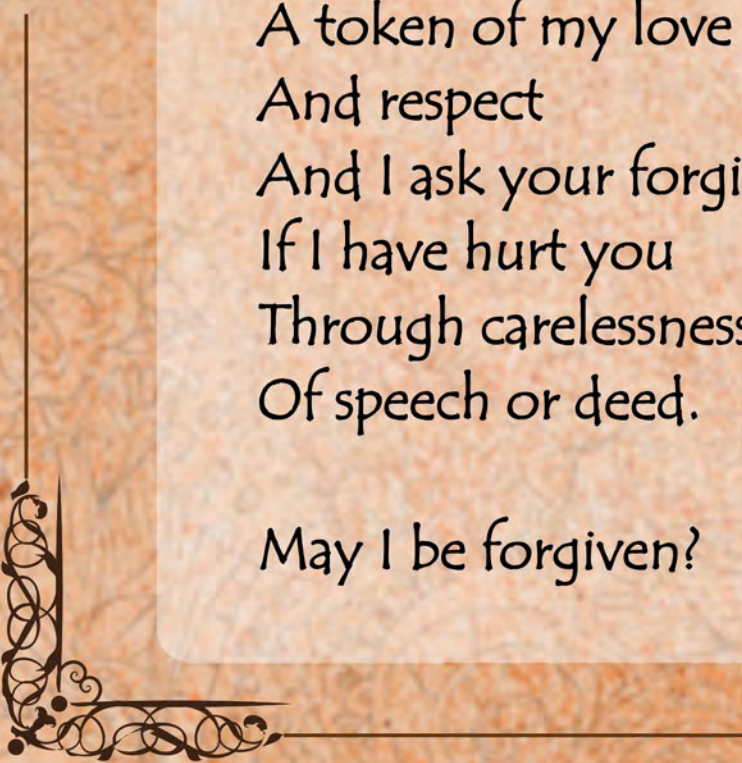


Worshipfully
I offer this flower to you
My dear mother
dear father
A token of my love
And respect
And I ask your forgiveness
If I have hurt you
Through carelessness
Of speech or deed.

May I be forgiven?


I forgive precious child of
mine
Without hesitation
Without reservation
With a heart full of
boundless love of metta
Which parents
Know full well.
Like no other does.

Be Well.
Be Happy.





Programme)

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| 3:45 pm | Arrival of guests and parents |
| 4:00 pm | Observing Five Precepts |
| 4:05 pm | Lighting of the oil lamp |
| 4:15 pm | Welcome - Vice President Education SLSBS |
| 4:20 pm | Anusasana - Venerable Siri Sobhitha Thero |
| 4:25 pm | Class presentations Level 1 - Level 4 |
| 4:45 pm | Awarding of certificates Level 1 - Level 4 |
| 5:05 pm | 'Walk Down Memory Lane' Presentation |
| 5:10 pm | Class presentations Level 5 - Level 7 |
| 5:30 pm | Awarding of certificates Level 5 - Level 7 |
| 5:50 pm | Teachers Appreciation |
| 5:55 pm | Vote of thanks by Secretary DSPTC |
| 6.00 pm | Mavu Piya Upahara |
| 6.20 pm | Refreshments |
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Message From Ven. Beruwala Siri Sobhitha

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එපමණක් නොව ඔවුනගේ ගුණවත - නැණවත් ආදර්ශමත් ක්‍රියාකාරකම් අප ජීවිත වලට කරන ලද බලපෑම සුවිසාල බව ගුණවතුන්ගේ වටිනා මතකයන් අතර ඉහළින්ම පවතී.

පර්න් ශ්‍රී ලංකා බෞද්ධ විහාරයේ දහම් පාසල මගින් වසරක් පාසා සිදුකරන මාපිය වන්දනා උපහාර උළෙල 2020 දෙසැම්බර් 06 දින සිදුවීමට නියමිත වන අතර, මෙම වැඩසටහන දෙමව්පිය ගුරුවරු පමණක් නොව සමස්ත ලෝකය පිළිබඳව ගෞරවනීය අයුරින් සිතන්න ක්‍රියාකරන්න දුරුවන් සමග අපද උනන්දු කරන ප්‍රසංසනීය හා ගෞරවනීය උත්සහයක් බව හඳුපිරි සතුටින් සනිටුහන් කරමි.

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2020.12.06



Message from Vice President (Education)

වසරක් පාසා අප දහම් පාසලේ පැවැත්වෙන මාසිය උපහාර උළෙල මෙම වසරේ නොකඩවා පැවැත්වීමට ලැබීම ඉමහත් සතුටකි. එය විශේෂ වන්නේ මෙම වර්ෂය පුරා පැවති **Covid -19** බලපෑම මනාව කලමනාකර ගනිමින් අප දුරු දැරියන්ට යහ ගුණ දුම් හා සාර ධර්ම ඉගැන්වීමට දහම් පාසල පුරෝගාමී වෙමින් එම කාර්යය අඛණ්ඩව කරගෙන යාමයි .

ඒ සඳහා බැතිබර සිහින් ඇප කැපවූ දෙමාපියන්ට, ගුරුවරුන්ට, දරුවන්ට සහ දහම් පාසලේ කමිටුවට ශ්‍රී ලංකා සිංහල බෞද්ධ සංගමය වෙනුවෙන් මගේ උපහාරය පුද කරමි.

තවද අන්තර්ජාලය ඔස්සේ දහම් පාසල නොකඩවා පවත්වා ගෙනයාමට තාක්ෂණික දායකත්වය නොමසුරුව ලබාදුන් තාක්ෂණික කමිටුවට මාගේ විශේෂ උපහාරය පුද කරමි.

ගුණදහම් හා සාරධර්ම වලින් පිරුණු අනාගත පරපුරකගේ අවශ්‍යතාව අද සමාජය දෙස බලන විට මනාව පෙනෙයි. දහම් පාසල දරුවන්ට දහම් දැනුමත්, හික්මීමත්, පන්සිල් අනුව ජීවිතය සකස් කර ගැනීමට මාර්ගෝපදේශකත්වය සකසා දෙන ස්ථානයයි.

මේ මහඟු සේවය තව තවත් දියුණුවට පත් වී සමාජයට දැනුම් අනාගත පරපුරක් බිහිකිරීමට වෙරදරන දහම් පාසලට මම සුභ පතමි.

සැමව නිදුක් නිරෝගී දිවියකට යුබ ජැනුම් !

රචිත්ද වික්‍රමගේ
උපසභාපති (අධ්‍යාපන)
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Dhamma School Coordinator's Report 2020

2020 dawned world over with ominous dark clouds of an approaching pandemic on the horizon. No one could have imagined then how bad it was going to be and the unbelievable changes it would make to our lifestyle.

Within a few weeks of reopening we knew that we would have to start thinking outside the box.

When the first case in WA was reported in March the atasil programme, the first activity of the Dhamma School (DS) calendar, was cancelled as a precaution. We still did not think it was going to be as bad as it has turned out and, naively continued to train children sing bhakthi gee in the hope that we might be able to celebrate Vesak. The nationwide lockdown that was imposed put an end to whatever hopes there were.

ZOOM was a new word to most of us and one that would become part of our lives.

With the help of the many tech savvy parents of our wonderful DSPTC, we started Zoom classes on May 3. We had several training sessions, but most were nervous and unsure of themselves. A parent was on standby for each class and despite many moments of confusion and panic, the teachers soon got the hang of it. There is still a call for help every now and then! Without continued support from the DSPTC the Virtual Dhamma School would not be a success.

As we had already started teaching bhakthi gee it was decided to celebrate Vesak on Zoom. So, our children sang bhakthi gee on a 'virtual stage'. The children were asked to make kudu and decorate their homes and send us pictures. Considering it was still early days with Zoom, it turned out quite well.


Poson was celebrated virtually as well.

We hoped that we could go back to the temple in term 4 as attendance had dropped significantly in L1 and 2. One and a half hours in front of the computer is too much for younger students. In the corporate world 1 hr is the recommended time for Zoom meetings as fatigue sets in. L1 and 2 Teachers conclude lessons after an hour. However, attendance has improved for the higher classes and the older children and teachers-4 have coped well.

A gradual return to the temple was attempted in term 3 with 2 classes going back at a time. After 3 weeks this was given up as attendance was poor. Parents found it difficult to take one child to the temple and have the other set up at home.

Sati Pasala was organized on Zoom in association with Sati Pasala Perth and has been very successful.

The Dhamma School has been sponsoring the Vas period and Katina pinkama every 3 years and 2020 was the 4th time we would be doing so. It gave us all great comfort that we could carry out religious practises despite restrictions. Throughout the 3 months of Vas, Buddha Puja was offered every day by the DS parents. The vas season was afe-concluded with a Katina pinkama that followed all Covid -19 guidelines. Each time, as well as offerings to the Venerable monks, the DS makes a special offering to the temple.



In 2017 we made 56 new cushions and this time it is a shoe racks to keep entrances tidy. Due to delays caused by the pandemic we have not been able to install it yet. Funds required have been raised from parents (present and past) and community organisations. The shoe rack should be ready for use in the new year.

The end of year assessments were concluded very effectively with parents conducting the oral tests for L1 and 2 at home. The involvement of parents has been a progressive move as they now know first-hand what children have learnt, how much and how well. Your involvement is important to our success.


There have been no changes to the staff this year as no one has had to move out of state. Two of our past pupils, Pinithi Siriwardena and Harini Weerakoon, have joined as relief teachers. They are very much at ease with Zoom and technology and use it to very good effect. The children love it when they teach! The infusion of young blood promises well for the DS.

Our gratitude and thanks to Venerable Sobhitha and Ven. Visuddhawansa for their guidance and support particularly during the Vas season. Contact with the Sangha has been important, not only for the children, but the parents' spiritual and emotional well-being as well.

In conclusion, of the many positives that have come out of the pandemic, the loyal, close and warm relationship we have had with the DSPTC needs special mention. The teachers have always had an excellent relationship with the committee and the VP [Ed] has always been very supportive. But this year, having to overcome many obstacles, the relationship has been even closer. Zoom meetings from the intimacy of our homes have made us feel like family. Thank you DSPTC!

Together we forge ahead doing our best for our children.

Mrs. Ramani Gunasekara
Dhamma School Coordinator





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Level 01



Class Teacher - Mrs. Erandee Wehalle



Apurva Sahabandu



Thinuli Basnayaka



Vinuli Bandara



Sethika Sooriyakula



Nethumi Gamage



Sanuka Abeysinghe



Gagana Pothpitage



Divshah Muthuarachchi



Sethuli Rajakaruna



Rishan De Silva



Anuki Obeysekera



Senumitha Ratnayake



Seja Wijethunga

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Dulneth Ranasingha



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Level 02



Class Teacher - Mrs. Malika Fernando



Sineli Ratnayake



Kevon Peiris



Kehan Hattiarachchi



Yevin Walpola



Tarush Jayasekera



Piyumi Rodrigo



Kenudi Thilakarathne



Senudi Pulasinlage



Thusini Gamage



Ranuki Wanniarachchi



Senudi De Vas



Anarghi Ranasinghe



Sayuthmee Ratnayake



Amelia Kandambige



Chenuki Weerakoon



Yethmi Kudabalage



Sasan Dias



Senul Sirikumara



Yuthara Galhenage



Thisuli Hettiarachchi



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Level 03



Class Teacher - Mrs. Rajika Perera



Omay Kurukulasuriyage



Manuli Rajakaruna



Thenu Nallaperuma



Menu Dharmaratna



Abhises Agratha Perera



Tharuli Kankanige



Thaviru Wijesinghe



Nethuka Gunawardana



Yovindu Wehalla



Thivain Koralage

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Chirath Abeygunasekara



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Level 04



Class Teacher - Mrs. Charunya Abeysinghe Mudiyansele



Dilanma Ranasingha



Kevin Wimalaratne



Akithmi Wimalaratne



Chenuka Thambawita



Minhas Kularatna



Tehara Jayasekera



Hasali Kankanige



Chenuki Obeysekera



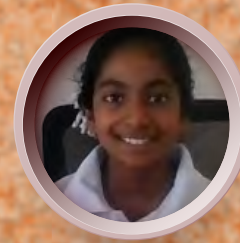
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Sachiv Silva



Thomalja Pandithasekara



Amaya Gunawardana



Yuhansa Dissanayaka

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**Thulani Haputhanthree
Hiruni Herath**



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Level 05



Class Teacher - Ms. Thulani Rajapaksa



Raviru Balasooriya



Senith Palliyaguruge



Yonal De Vas



Sohansa Gamage



Kilan Chandraratne



Dinal Weerakoon



Nethuli Sirikumara



Samith Mapa



Saakyaa Mendis



Thenu Hettiarachchi



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Level 06



Class Teacher - Mrs. Tharanga Thotagamuwage



Januthi Pulasinhage



Sanuthi Roshika Paranavithana



Sasmi Koralage



Saara Wijethunga



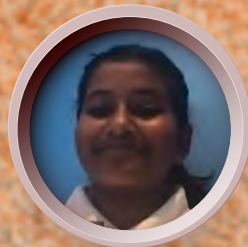
Anuji Withanarachchi



Kenul Senanayake



Menara Mihinadee Perera



Seneja Willamune



Dulkith Thilakarathne



Sandeli Ratnayake



Natasha Walawage



Nisith Mapa

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**Anuk De Silva
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Thimiri Sooriyakula**



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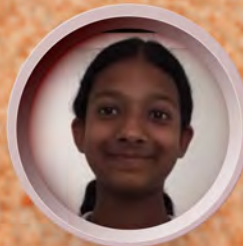
Level 07



Class Teacher - Mrs. Ramani Gunasekera



Chanumi Weerasinghe



Okithma Ranasinghe



Minsandi Wehalla



Yumira Chandraratne



Ravindu Pothpitage



Pabawath Dharmakirthi



Binthi Gunawardhana



Dasindu Pandithage



Menadee Thilakarathna



Hasala Dharmakirti



Rawija Balasooriya



Hasiru Siriwardana

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Chanithma Kudabalage, Damitha Mendis,
Hiruki Sembukuttige



Sri Lanka Buddhist Vihara
Perth Western Australia

Dhamma School
Parent Teacher Committee



**Thank you for your generous support and valuable service.
With your dedication and commitment we have done a great job to have
lasting memories over the year.**

*Please come forward and help us
lay the foundation to shape our
children's future.*