



# THE CENTRAL-UK

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**JAFFNA CENTRAL COLLEGE**  
Old Boys and Girls Association, UK



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### WE'VE HELPED...

**10.19 million Sri Lankan Rupees equal to £25,232 Pounds Over the last 12 months**

### WE ARE...

Our Current Executive Committee consists of **6 proud Cricket Captains, 3 Football Captains, 3 Senior Prefects, 3 Deputy Senior Prefects** and many prefects and athletes of JCC's prestigious history. We also have number of individuals in the current EC committee with great professional talents and experience in their respective fields in UK.

### WE BELIEVE...

The Best for Jaffna Central and would like our school to be **Number One again in Jaffna** in every way. With this, we change the future for good for every student at Jaffna Central and the wider Tamil community.



## Executive Committee 2022- 2023



**Sitting (from left):** T Selevakumar, S Vernue, K Krishnakumar, K Vijaishankar, K Kalavannan, S Ravishankar, V Paul Prahalathan, T Raviraj, N Annadurai

**Standing (from left):** J Vaikunthan, R Rajeevan, S Sanjayan, S Sivasurathan, N Nisakaran, S Agash, S Sathees, T Ratheskumar, K Suresh, M Jeganmohan, P Rameshan  
**Absent - Mr S Kartheepan**

### President

Mr K Kalavannan - 1987 Batch

### Vice Presidents

Mr S Vernu - 1983 Batch  
Mr N Annadurai - 1988 Batch  
Mr K Krishnakumar - 1992 Batch

### Hon Secretary

Mr K Vijaishankar -1987 Batch

### Asst Secretary

Mr M Jeganmohan - 1994 Batch

### Treasurer

Mr S Ravishankar - 1995 Batch

### Asst Treasurer

Mr R Rajeevan - 1999 Batch

### Social committee

Mr N Annadurai - 1988 Batch  
All Executive Committee members

### Auditor

Mr T Logeswaran - 1986 Batch

### Membership Sub Committee

Mr S Vernu - 1983 Batch  
Mr T Ratheskumar - 1994 Batch  
Mr S Sanjayan - 2000 Batch  
Mr P Rameshan - 1994 Batch  
Mr R Rajeevan - 1999 Batch

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Mr K Suresh - 1993 Batch  
Mr V Paul Prahalathan - 1983 Batch  
Mr S Sathees - 1994 Batch  
Mr N Annadurai - 1988 Batch  
Mr N Nisakaran - 1996 Batch

### Education Sub Committee

Mr K Krishnakumar - 1992 Batch  
Mr M Jeganmohan - 1994 Batch  
Mr T Raviraj - 1986 Batch  
Mr S Agash - 1994 Batch  
Mr T Selvakumar - 1976 Batch

### IT Sub Committee

Mr S Sivasurathan - 1990 Batch  
Mr S Kartheepan - 2003 Batch  
Mr J Vaikunthan - 1998 Batch



## Message from the Editorial Team

Warm greetings to all of you!

We are greatly delighted to address you through this newsletter called **THE CENTRAL UK -மத்தியம்**.

We consider it an honour to welcome you all to this new newsletter. First ever newsletter to be produced by Jaffna Central college old boys' associations the UK. It is indeed our earnest desire to bring the old boys closer through this medium, and We genuinely believe this newsletter will reconnect all of us. The plan is to have the newsletter every six months as a start for the next one year then hoping to do this as a quarterly newsletter.

We, as the old boys, are the foremost brand ambassadors and can play a vital role in the development of our Alma mater through our ideas and suggestions.

We invite every old boy in the UK to be an active participant in the Old Boys Association. Share your successes, engage in meaningful conversations, and collaborate with fellow old boys to collectively drive change. Your involvement strengthens our Association, enriches your own experiences, and reaffirms your commitment to the ideals that Jaffna Central embodies.

We have had **incredible** success over the last 12 months with new projects implemented for the first time in the history of Jaffna Central and have plans for many more in the coming years to bring glory back to our school.

We look forward to the continued support and active involvement to carry out our activities in the years to come.

Thanking you,

The Editorial Team





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## December 2022 to November 2023

**For the last 12 months UK OBA have contributed  
10.19million Sri Lankan Rupees equal to £25,232  
to our beloved school to undertake the following Noble Projects.**

### Educational Contribution for 12 months - Rs 4,488,737 / £11,171

Ordinary Level Scholarship from May 2023 intake (Rs 3000 per student per month for 30 students) - Rs 450,000.00

Advanced Level Scholarship for Outstation students Oct 2024 intake

Hostel Fees (Rs 10,000 per student per month) - Rs 1,109,490.00

Advanced Level Scholarship for Outstation students Oct 2024 intake

Tuition Fees (Rs 7,000 per student per month) - Rs 945,000.00

Library Assistant salary – (Rs 10,000 per month) - Rs 120,000.00

E Kalvi project initial cost for hard drive & 350 pieces of 64GB Pen drives for A/Level

& O/Level students with educational materials - Rs 550,000.00

New Printer for A/Level & O Level paper classes - Rs 350,000.00

14 Laptops for the school & hostel students estimated value - Rs 964,247.00

### Sports Contribution for 12 months - Rs 3,145,445 / £7,661

Sports Scholarship for future sports stars - Rs 75,000.00

Cricket Coach Salary (Under 13/15 Rs 18,000 per month) - Rs 216,000.00

Football Coach (Under 12 & Under 14) salary - Rs 125,000.00

Big Match medical team expenses - Rs 78,330.00

Motivation secessions for Big Match Cricket team - Rs 24,250.00

U19 Cricket Match expenses National Tournament and extra matches with Southern Province Schools - Rs 2,116,828.00

Under 19 2023 Big Match winning team prize fund - Rs 200,000.00

Under 19 2023 Big Match winning team coach incentive - Rs 200,000.00

Under 19 2023 Cricket team dinner - Rs 72,537.00

Teachers lunch during big match 2023 - Rs 37,500.00

### Hostel Contribution for 12 months - Rs 2,558,175 / £6,400

Rig Hall Hostel Accommodation Renovation - Rs 764,000.00

Rig Hall Hostel Kitchen Renovation - Rs 780,500.00

Rig Hall Hostel Toilets Renovation - Rs 275,000.00

Rig Hall Hostel Electrical installation - Rs 438,675.00

Rig Hall Hostel Warden Salary - Rs 245,000.00

Rig Hall Hostel Utensils - Rs 55,000.00

Apart from this London OBA also works with JCC 1987 Batch for the A/Level scholarship project for internal students, worth Rs 1,708,000.00 for the last 12 months. (This provides monthly Rs 7,000 each for 21 students)





## **Life Changing All Island Tamil Community A/Level Scholarship Funding by UK OBA (Rs 2.05m/£5,200) over 12 months)**

### **Project Description**

Launched in 2022, as the first in Jaffna District, the aim of the scholarship Scheme is to help gifted children from disadvantaged families in Sri Lanka, to have a good education. UK OBA sees good education as a way of transforming not just the child, but also uplifting their family, Tamil Community, and ultimately the Country as a whole.

The Scheme has as its target academically gifted children from disadvantaged families in Sri Lanka, who are at risk of dropping off the education, or not entering higher education and settling for low paid jobs thus perpetuating poverty.

The Scholarship Scheme provides the Old Boys of Jaffna Central College with a simple and effective channel for 'putting something back' and contributing to this life changing endeavour. Each student being offered a scholarship by receiving monthly Rs 7000 rupees for their education expenses and monthly Rs 10,000 rupees each for their Hostel fees payable to school.

This was only made possible by investing Rs 2.25m (£5.6k) to renovate the Rigg Hall Hostel.

### **Key achievements so far**

UK OBA was successful in bringing 16 gifted students to study A/Levels from all parts of the country.

A point to note that the best results for this batch at Jaffna Central College was 8A's for the O/Level exams but we managed to bring 2 students with 9A's and 2 students with 8A's.

### **Following students have joined for the A/Level Oct 2024 exam intake**

Dilshan 9A's from Maskeliya  
Praveen 9A's from Puttalam  
Shadurshan 8A's from Haputala  
Abiram 8A's from Northern province  
Sagar 7 A's from Pussellava  
Shageeran 7A's from Pussellava  
Diwahaar 6A's from Pussellava  
Sadhurshan 6A's from Meeryakala

Sharan 6A's from Manijanathottam  
Sharmilan 6A's from Northern Province  
Dinukshan 5A's from Attampiti  
Kirushanth 5A's from Northern Province  
Yuveshkar 5A's from Northern Province  
Vithushan 5A's from Northern province  
Jeyan 5A's from Thalaiyadi  
Yakseehan 3A's from Andimunai



## Long-Term Impact & UK OBA Strategy



We would like to change the educational standard of JCC to match with other leading schools in Jaffna. Increasing the number of students going to university will be a game changer for our college. The UK OBA is planning to increase the scholarship student numbers around 30 by the Oct 2025 intake.

If you want to **SPONSOR ONE A/LEVEL STUDENT- TUTION FEES** over 12 months.

**Rs 84,000 per year (circa £250 per year).** You can make the change in one Tamil student's life as well as the reputation of our school in Jaffna.

UK OBA also working with JCC 1987 Batch to provide Pon Vipulanathan Scholarship for A/Level Students who currently studying at our college. Total fund Rs 1,708,000 for the last 12 months which is Rs 7,000 monthly for 21 students.

**Our Bank Details:** Account Name: JCC Old Boys & Girls association  
Sort Code: 30-99-66 Account No. 07747396 IBAN:GB32 LOYD 3099 6601 0899 07 BIC:LOYDGB21070





## O/Level Scholarship Funding by UK OBA Rs 1.08m (£3,000) over 12 months

In 2022, UK OBA introduced a major drive to uplift the O/Level results in our school.

The new scholarship programme for students taking their delayed GCE O/Level exam in May 2023. The top 30 best students in the year were awarded a scholarship. The process will work with us selecting the top 12 children from the overall year along with the top 3 children from each of the six divisions making up the remaining 18 children. Each student being offered a scholarship by receiving monthly Rs 3000 for their education expenses. This scholarship program is purely based on merit basis and the selection process was managed by the principal and the UK OBA Educational team. Total contribution from July 2022-May 2023 was 1.08million Sri Lankan Rupees.

For the next batch (2024 exam intake) 10 students have been selected from purely merit basis and the remaining 20 students will be selected from all the divisions as an inclusive scholarship for all students. This will help to increase the level of exam results for underachieving students as well as the students currently getting average marks to get the best results. This includes special paper classes for all students sitting the O/Level exams with e-learning materials provided by "E-Kalvi".

**If you want to SPONSOR ONE O/LEVEL STUDENT over 12 months.**  
Rs 36,000 per year ( £100 ). You can make the change in one student's life as well as the reputation of our school in Jaffna.

**Our Bank Details:** Account Name: JCC Old Boys & Girls association  
Sort Code: 30-99-66 Account No. 07747396 IBAN:GB32 LOYD 3099 6601 0899 07 BIC:LOYDGB21070



### Long-Term Impact & UK OBA Strategy

We would like to change the educational standard of JCC to match with other leading schools in Jaffna. Currently lack of students in A Levels is not helping our cause. By increasing the results of our O/Level exams will help to increase the A/Level students and attract more students to join our primary school. Short- and medium-term strategy to achieve our long-term goals. UK OBA goal is to increase the students to 50 students for every year for the next 5 years.

**Our vision for Jaffna Central will only be possible by you joining to UK OBA £100 club which was initiated by our next generation of the current committee members by contributing £100 each per year for the next 5 years. Please contact UK OBA committee members for further details.**





## Empowering JCC students with digital skills (E- Learning), UK OBA is fostering a knowledge-based society at Jaffna Central - Rs1.86m/£4,600 over 12 months.

### Project Description

As a substantial initiative to enhance digital literacy in Jaffna Central, UK OBA have started to expedite the implementation of a project aimed at establishing modern computer labs and smart classrooms in Jaffna Central. The initiative also reflects the shared vision of both the School and the OBA to empower the students through digital literacy, thereby paving the way for a brighter future. The main ceremony took place on March 16, 2023, in the presence of renowned JCC old boy emeritus Cambridge scholar **Dr Kirubarajan** (Professor at McMaster University Canada).

The project, funded by UK OBA, is designed to enhance digital skills (E Learning) to JCC students. It involves the installation of computer labs and the development of customized curriculum software for all students. Main breakthrough is the collaboration with **E-Kalvi global**, A major player in providing digital educational materials to schools in need across Northern, Eastern, and upcountry of Sri Lanka. This initiative is a testament to the power of UK OBA's collaboration in fostering educational advancement and digital literacy at JCC.







## Key achievements so far 350 E-Kalvi USB 's (Rs 550,000) with teaching materials were provided to O-Level and A-Level students.



## UK OBA Also donated 14 laptops (Rs 964,247) to be used for computer lab and Hostel students.





Hostel Students were provided enhanced WIFI connection with computer room setup with laptops for use.



Also, UK OBA also Donated a Printer and printing materials (Rs 350,000) to be used for O/Level & A/Level paper classes. This will be a great addition to the school. This was donated by Jaffna OBA on behalf of UK OBA on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2023 post the AGM of Jaffna OBA as a start of a new relationship with UK OBA & New Jaffna OBA committee selected at the last AGM.



## Long-Term Impact & UK OBA Strategy

As part of the UK OBA's strategy of Empowering JCC students with digital skills (E-Learning) the E-Kalvi USB scheme will be extended from Grade 6 to Grade 10 students for the next stage and then to Primary School students.





## Dr. Ahilan University Scholarships managed by UK OBA

(Funds Deposited Rs 3.55m - Rs 180,000 paid students over 12 months)

### Project Description

This project is to help the University students who enter the university from Jaffna Central College. This scholarship was initiated by UK OBA with the financial support from Dr Ahilan. We remain so grateful to Dr Ahilan for undertaking this noble cause. Currently following funds deposited in Sri Lanka.

Rs 2.75m deposited with Jaffna OBA earning an interest of Circa Rs 330,000.00 per year

Rs 0.8m deposited with Colombo OBA earning an interest of Circa Rs 96,000.00 per year.

**Key achievements so far: Following students are the recipients of the Scholarships.**



### Mr Nixman (University of Moratuwa-Textile and Apparel Engineering)

Received the scholarship of Rs 5,000 per month throughout his university education and completed the engineering course in Textile sector in June 2023. Since the completion of the course, he has joined Mas holdings Plc. which is one of the biggest suppliers to European fashion industry including Marks & Spenser, UK.

### Mr Sajeethan (University of Moratuwa - Electrical Engineering)

Currently receiving scholarship amount of Rs 5,000 per month and he will be completing the studies by June 2024.



### Mr Remisious (University of Moratuwa - Earth Resources Engineering)

Currently receiving scholarship amount of Rs 5,000 per month and he will be completing the studies by June 2024.



## Long-Term Impact & UK OBA Strategy

We would like to change the educational standard of JCC to be on a par with other leading schools in Jaffna. Increasing the number of students going to university will be a game changer for JCC as well as changing lives of the disadvantaged students and their families. The strategy is to offer a full package of scholarships for any bright students joining for O/Level at Jaffna Central will receive financial help from the UK OBA scholarships all the way until them completing the university studies. This will change their future prospects as well as their dependents.

Based on the current interest rates for fixed deposits in Sri Lanka with annual interest receipts of Rs 426,000 this will be extended to 7 students from July 2024.



## Renovation of Rigg Hall Hostel at JCC by UK OBA (Rs 2.25m/£5,618)

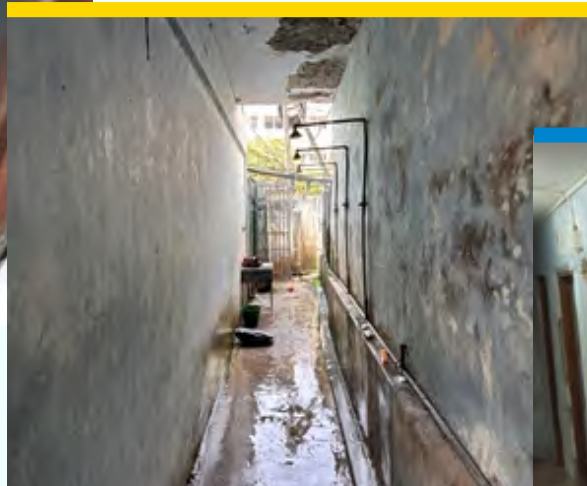
The refurbishment of Rigg Hall Hostel has now been completed, with the

Principal Mr Indrakumar cutting the ribbon to re-open the hostel on 24 March 2023, alongside UK OBA committee members and Jaffna based old boys.

The re-opening marks the culmination of a project which commenced when 14 members of the current committee members visited the school during Big match and seen the terrible condition of the hostel facilities through their own eyes. This is the first time in the history of UK OBA so many members visited Jaffna at the same time. As parents of our own children and old boys of our Alma mater, we felt to take the responsibility towards the young students living in the hostel. All members agreed to take immediate action regarding the renovation of the Hostel. we are delighted with the results of the work and the hostel is currently used by scholarship recipients from UK OBA in both educational and sports categories.



### Before Renovation



### After Renovation






## Long-Term Impact

Ultimately the hostel will be able to accommodate up to 50 students annually. This represents a long-term investment by the UK OBA for the future of Jaffna Central College.

The goal is to attract more talented students from disadvantaged background across Sri Lanka and change their life's.

Note: Our sincere gratitude to our Jaffna Based old boy Ravi Varman (KKR construction).




**KKR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS**

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Date: 10/10/2023

**REPAIRS WORK OF JAFFNA CENTRAL COLLEGE (STUDENT HOSTEL)**

**Summary of work**

STUDENT HOSTEL	- 764000.00
KITCHEN	- 780500.00
Bathroom no -05, Toilet-04]	- 275000.00
Electrical Installation	- 438675.00
<b>Total in RS</b>	<b>- 2258175.00</b>

<b>Received Amount</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> payment	500000.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> payment	350000.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> payment	250000.00
4 <sup>th</sup> payment	500000.00
5 <sup>th</sup> payment	658175.00
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>2258175.00</b>

*[Signature]*





## Sports Development at Jaffna Central (Rs 3.14m/ £7,600 over 12 months)

When the time for the "big match" arrives, alumni from around the world eagerly anticipate our team's performance, hoping for a triumphant victory. It's no easy feat, given the weight of tradition and history that shows how both colleges have fiercely battled to secure wins or salvage matches. Being part of this long-standing historical event, known as the "Big Match" or "Battle of North" is a source of immense pride for both teams and their alumni.

### Monitoring and Addressing Challenges

The UK Old Boys and Girls Association (UK OB&GA) diligently monitored the circumstances and teams in recent years. Drawing upon the wisdom of past cricketers and alumni, we identified various challenges and sought solutions. We are delighted to announce our current UK OBA committee consist of six proud Under 19 cricket Captains of our school in the history.

### 1. Equipping Our U19 Cricket Team

Our U19 Cricket team faced a unique challenge. While we were competing in Sri Lankan Schools Cricket Division 3 Tier A, the St. John's played in Division 2 Tier A. Our teams faced different levels of opponents, with ours considered weaker. To level the playing field and enhance our players' experience, we organised and sponsored matches against several prominent teams in the island:

- Nalanda College, Colombo – 1st division (Home game)**
- St Anthony's College, Kandy – 1st division (Away game)**
- Trinity College, Kandy – 1st division (Away game)**
- Mahanama College, Colombo – 1st division (Home game)**
- Badulla District Schools selected team (3 days home game)**
- Centralities Sports Club (3 days home game)**

We had also arranged additional matches, but due to unforeseen circumstances, we couldn't fulfil these fixtures:

- Royal College, Colombo (Clashed with SL School's fixture)**
- Maliyadeva College, Kurunagala (Ecological reasons)**

These games provided our players with invaluable experience, both mentally and physically, in dealing with high-pressure situations against stronger teams. This not only improved their cricketing skills but also fostered friendly relations and camaraderie with other schools in South and Central Sri Lanka. We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Mr. Ranjithkumar** from Colombo, a cherished alumnus of JCC, who facilitated these matches, and our School's POG **Mr Kingsley** and the school administration for their steadfast support for the UK OBA.



## U19 INTER-SCHOOLS DIVISION 3 TIER A TWO DAY TOURNAMENT 2022/23



**JAFFNA CENTRAL COLLEGE**  
**CHAMPIONS**



## 2. Sponsorship of Tournament Participation

Our commitment to U19 Cricket team's development extended to covering all expenses incurred during their journey to success, including:

50 Overs Sri Lanka Cricket U19 Tournament (Our team reached the Semi-Finals).

2 days Sri Lanka Cricket Tournament (They became Champions and were promoted to Division 2).

The total cost of items 1 and 2, covered by our UK OBA, amounted to Rs. 2,116,828.





### 3. Motivation Classes Ahead of the Big Match 2023

Recognising the need to fortify the mental resilience of our U19 players, we organised motivation classes before the Big Match in 2023. These sessions aimed to equip the players with the resilience to face the high-pressure environment and perform exceptionally. This not only prepares them for the Big Match but also equips them to participate in competitive tournaments and face strong opponents.

Our esteemed alumnus and professional motivator, Mr. Janarthanan (Jana), generously volunteered to run these mental awareness and motivation classes. These sessions were initiated and sponsored by our UK OBA, and we extend our sincere thanks to Jana. We are committed to continuing this as an ongoing initiative for the years to come.

The expenses were covered by our OBA and amounted to Rs. 24,250.

### 4. Continued Contribution to Sports Excellence

Our dedication to enhancing our school's sporting prowess knows no bounds. During the last Big Match event, the UK OBA generously allocated resources for:

- Big Match winning team Prize money (Rs. 200,000)
- Big Match winning team Coach incentive (Rs. 200,000)
- Big Match winning team dinner (Rs. 72,532)
- Teacher lunch during the Big Match (Rs. 37,500)
- Big Match medical team expenses (Rs. 78,330)







## Our Esteemed Alumni excelling in Word Arena

Outstanding Cricket talents, Our Alumni Vijayakanth Viyaskanth and Theesan Vithusan are included in Sri Lanka's emerging cricket squads for the upcoming one day and four-day series in Bangladesh respectively. This is a testament to UK OBA contribution to sports development at our beloved school. We eagerly wait to see more talents to follow the paths of these successful alumni in the future.



## SRI LANKA EMERGING SQUADS

### One Day Squad

**Ahan Wickramasinghe (C)**  
**Shevon Daniel**  
**Sohan de Livera (WK)**  
**Pavan Rathnayake**  
**Navod Paranavithana**  
**Mohammed Shamaaz**  
**Sonal Dinusha**  
**Chamindu Wickramasinghe**  
**Chamindu Wijesinghe**  
**Vijayakanth Viyaskanth**  
**Ashian Daniel**  
**Chamika Gunasekara**  
**Eshan Malinga**  
**Wanuja Sahan**  
**Nipun Premaratne**

### Four Day Squad

**Sonal Dinusha (C)**  
**Abisheak Liyanaarachchi**  
**Navod Paranavithana**  
**Pawan Ratnayake**  
**Sohan de Livera (WK)**  
**Ahan Wickramasinghe**  
**Chamindu Wijesinghe\* (Only for 1st Four Day)**  
**Sakuna Liyanage**  
**Shashika Dulshan**  
**Kavindu Nadeeshan**  
**Kalhara Senarathne**  
**Chamika Gunasekara**  
**Eshan Malinga**  
**Nipun Premaratne**  
**Theesan Vithusan**  
**Chamindu Wickramasinghe\* (Only for 2nd Four Day)**

## Bangladesh Emerging Team Tour of Sri Lanka 2023

17<sup>TH</sup> OCT TO 04<sup>TH</sup> NOV 2023 | RDIGS, DAMBULLA





## UK OBA sponsored Sports Scholarships first time in the History of Jaffna Central

As a National Sports School, our Alma Mater aims to attract sports enthusiasts from across the island. To achieve this and to nurture the future development of sports talents at JCC, we, the UK OBA, identified three individuals who excelled in both sports and studies from Mannar and Mullaitheevu districts. By bringing them to Central we are also proudly nurturing Tamil speaking sports talents in Sri Lanka. They will be receiving a full scholarship, funded by UK OBA, including tuition fee & lodging in the school hostel during their time at the school. Each recipient will be receiving Rs 15,000 a month, with a commitment to continue the support during their stay at the school.

These exceptional students, Mas. Sinthujan (Mullaitheevu), Mas. Abisek (Mannar), and Mas. Parithi (Mullaitheevu), have our best wishes as they pursue their studies and excel in extracurricular activities and make them and our school proud.



### Further Contribution to the Sports Development

Our UK OBA also significantly contributes to the sports development by supporting grass root development of junior squads, including the following.

- Cricket Coach salaries for U13 and U15 (Rs. 216,000 per annum, at Rs. 18,000 per month)
- Football Coach Salaries for U12 and U14 (Rs. 125,000 per annum, for 12 months, Rs 15,000 per month)

### Gratitude and Ongoing Commitment

The UK OBA extends heartfelt thanks to all our members, old boys, and contributors who have supported us both financially and materially. Your continued support will benefit thousands of our students as they overcome challenges and achieve distinction in their lives, bringing honour to our Alma Mater. Our dedication remains unwavering, and we eagerly anticipate further achievements in the future. Our goal is for our school to be in Tier 1 and compete with best schools in Sri Lanka.





## Our OBA's sports activities in the UK

### Cricket 'Big Match'

Our long standing tradition being followed here in the UK too, with Central & St Johns coming together in friendship and comradeship, and playing the Big Match annually with the same spirit and style. This year is special for St Johns as they mark the Bicentennial of their Alma Mater. We congratulate them on behalf of all the members and old boys of UK.

### Big Match

June 17 - Open St Johns win  
Over 40 Central win  
Over 50 Central win

Our veterans are going strong year after year to win both Over 40 & 50. Well done young boys.



Being active in sports, we, the OBA UK never rested, and are cheerfully involved in sports every year. Our activities start at the early May bank holiday with TSSA's (Tamil Schools Sports Association-UK) Football Tournament. Our veterans over 50 team participated as the defending Champions.

### Football

May 29 – Over 50 Team semi-finalist (TSSA's Football Tournament).





## Cricket TSSA's Summer Sports Festival

We are so proud to say that four of the founding members of TSSA are from our UK OBA, and we are one the initiators and participating members of TSSA from year one. Not only that, we were the victors of the first Cricket and Football tournaments in 1992 & 1993, respectively. Since then, we have won these tournaments several times and are still an active participator in both tournaments. This year we entered with three teams: open, over 40 and over 50 teams.

- Open team - out at group stage
- Over 40 team - Champions (Champions for four consecutive year)
- Over 50 team - Runners up

We greatly appreciate and thank all our members and supporters who have participated as players, spectators and supporters at these tournaments and big match event, taking their valuable time for their Alma Mater and it's pride.

**CENTRAL RALLY FOR THE SCHOOL, TAKE THE FIELD WITH ONE ACCORD, KEEP YOUR COURAGE, WINNING OR LOSING IS NOT THE MATTER, PARTICIPATION AND TRUE SPORTAMANSHIP ARE MIGHTY TASK AND LET OUR ALMA MATER BE PROUD AND GLAD.**





## Joint BBQ – JCC OBA,UK & Vembadi OGA,UK

We are delighted to inform that the annual BBQ event took place on Saturday, 19th August 2023 and was very successful. The event was well attended by past students and well wishers of both organisations. This has given ample opportunity for members to maintain close relation between the two organisations for the benefit of our respected schools in Jaffna.

We extend our sincere thanks to all the Vembadi OGA members and especially Srimohan and his family for the incredible support given to make this event a memorable one.





## Distinguished guests from Sri Lanka over the last 12 months

### Our respected master, Mr Sivanesan

(Former Lower School Headmaster and Teacher over 25 years service with JCC)

Mr Sivanesan visited UK back in May 2023. The UK OBA honoured him and commended his services to Jaffna Central College. He used to be a guiding figure to thousands of old boys in JCC. We wish him long life and carry on his religious activities for the benefit of our community in Jaffna.



### Mr Poongunran

(Member of Colombo OBA)

Mr Poongunran visited UK recently. The UK OBA honoured him and remembered his services to JCC. He is an active member of the Colombo OBA and part of the Committee overseeing the scholarships administered by Colombo OBA.

UK OBA had deposited Rs 1 million with Colombo OBA and Rs 1.13 million with Jaffna OBA some years back to be used for scholarships & other expenses for JCC students. UK OBA work very closely with Poongunran for the benefit of our school.





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**In future, we expect more Centralites and Friends will come forward to support our Alma Mater in various projects and activities which will be carried out by JCC, OB&GA, UK.**

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