



Kerala Coast - Chellanam St. George School

By starting a school in 1917 at Chellanam, the late Kannu Kaipari laid the foundation for school education in that village. Till then the education of the children was conducted in single tutor institutions called 'Kalari'. Each caste had its own 'Kalari'. The tutors were paid in kind by the parents. So much so, the children of the scheduled caste (Pulayas) had no means for education. St. George school imparted free education to all.

The school started by the late Kannu Kaipari was open to all, irrespective of casts or creed.

The details and the photo of first batch of 134 students, with the founder and the teachers are the proofs, the students from three villages joined the school.

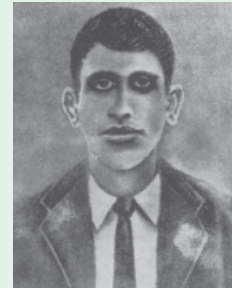
Details of the students	Boys	Girls	Total
Latin catholics	58	40	98
Ezhavas	8	2	10
Kudumbis	3	1	4
Pulayas (S.C.)	16	6	22
TOTAL	85	49	134

The school maintains complete Admission Register. Abstract of first page of Admission Register is given below:

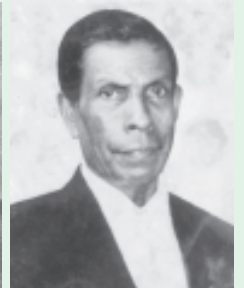
Adm.No.	Name	Father's name	House Name	Place	Dirt of birth (M.E.)	Date of leaving the school (M.E.)	Remarks
1	Philip	Bastian	Paliathayil	Chellanam	1084 - 2 - 15	1098 - 10 - 15	
2	Marian	John	Anchuthaikal	Chellanam	1085 - 1 - 15	1098 - 10 - 15	
3	Leon	Andrew	Thuruthel	Chellanam	1084 - 2 - 8	1924 - 5 - 26	A.D.
4	Ouseph	Augustine	Kakkariyil	Chellanam	1080 - 10 - 2		
5	Andrew	Philip	Thekkeveettill	Chellanam	1084 - 7 - 14	1097 - 10 - 17	
6	Cyril	John	Anchuthaikal	Chellanam	1086 - 12 - 26	1098 - 10 - 15	
7	Nagu	Mathu	Marottikkal	Chellanam	1085 - 3 - 20		Kudumbi
8	Gasper	Devador	Pallikkathayil	Chellanam	1086 - 8 - 20	1097 - 1 - 24	
9	Jussenju	Dominic	Valiyaveettill	Pallithode	1085 - 7 - 10		
10	Varghese	Xavier	Erasserril	Chellanam	1086 - 11 - 20	1926 - 5 - 26	A.D.
11	Pramso	Andrew	Mullaparambil	Chellanam	1085 - 2 - 19	1096 - 10 - 10	
12	Antony	Joseph	Parayakattil	Pallithode	1084 - 8 - 29	1924 - 5 - 20	A.D.
13	Francis	Paul	Parayakattil	Pallithode	1084 - 2 - 12	1924 - 5 - 20	A.D.
14	Augustine	George	Kurisinkal	Chellanam	1088 - 9 - 11	1097 - 10 - 31	
15	Bonifus	Andrew	Karumancherril	Neendakara	1087 - 1 - 24	1924 - 5 - 24	A.D.
16	Lucose	Achankunju	Karumancherril	Neendakara	1085 - 11 - 19	1098 - 10 - 15	
17	Gopalan	Kochuraman	Kalathil	Chellanam	1084 - 2 - 14	1097 - 8 - 3	
18	Eleswa (G)	Bastian	Alumparambil	Chellanam	1083 - 9 - 15		
19	Kathri (G)	Alexander	Thuruthel	Chellanam	1086 - 8 - 18	1924 - 5 - 20	A.D.
20	Elizabeth (G)	Bastian	Parayakattil	Chellanam	1084 - 3 - 27	1098 - 2 - 19	
21	Sabeena (G)	Bastian	Vachakkal	Chellanam	1084 - 3 - 27	1098 - 2 - 19	
22	Threasia (G)	Joseph	Valikkakathu	Pallithode	1085 - 5 - 3	1924 - 5 - 26	A.D.

(Note: M.E. + 125 = A.D. First of January falls around 15th and 17th of Dhanu of M.E. and first of Chingam falls around 15th and 17th of August)

The school started functioning in the out-house of Kannu Kaipari. Subsequently a beautiful school building was constructed. It was inaugurated in February 1921 by the then Prince of Cochin State, the late Kerala Varma Thampuran who was the Head of Department of Oriental Languages, in Maharaja's College, Ernakulam.



P.K. Arulappan



P.A. Juseenju

In 1922, when the Government of Cochin recognised it as an Aided School, P.K. Arulappan, the eldest son of Kaipari, was made the first manager of the school.

Arulappan was the pivot behind the programme. He was a philanthropic social worker. By his endeavour the Government of Cochin established a Panchayath at Chellanam and Arulappan became the first president of that Panchayath. Subsequently he got sanctioned an Anchal Office (Precursor of Post Office) in that remote village. The Anchal Office was accommodated in one of the rooms of the school itself. Unfortunately Arulappan had a premature death in 1922 at the age of 33. Son of Arulappan the late P. A. Juseenju was the first graduate from among the students of the school. In the group photo his daughter Mary Baby can also be seen.

Consequent to the death of Arulappan, P. K. John became the Manager. Due to some serious financial problems in the family, John was unable to look after the affairs of the school. As advised by some well wishers the school management was temporarily transferred to St. George Church, with a monthly rent of Rupees Five for the building. The vicar of the Church became the Manager.

Vicar, the late Fr. Joseph Nasiansino surrendered the Middle School right of the school to the neighbouring parish. Consequent to that retrogressive action of the vicar, P. K. John wanted for immediate surrender of management. When the priest refused to do so, legal action was taken to get back the management. Litigation continued for 15 years and finally the management was surrendered. P. K. John again became the Manager in 1938. Immediately John rebuilt the school building as it was declared unfit during the course of litigation.



Manager, P.K. John with staff

When John was the Manager, all routine duties of the Manager, used to be executed by his younger brother P. K. Vincent, who was a bachelor.

Due to some strange situation it became difficult for Vincent to work in the school as Pro-Manager. Vincent therefore wanted immediate transfer of management to him. Though John was planning to transfer the management to Vincent in due course, the peculiarity of the circumstance prevented John to do so immediately. Vincent became restless and resorted to indirect methods to secure the management. Finally Vincent succeeded in getting the management transferred through the department in 1942.



Manager, Annakutty Arulappan with staff

Vincent constructed a new building for the school. When Vincent died in 1965, the late Annakutty Arulappan became the Manager. It was a passive period without merits or demerits. Consequent to the death of Annakutty Arulappan on 24 – 12 – 1971, P. J. Sunny, second son of the late P.K. John, became the Manager. During the management of Sunny, the school building was modified and strengthened by tile roofing and cement flooring.



In 1984 Pollayil Kaippari Memorial Educational Society was constituted to have a definite system in administration and management of the school. It was decided to appoint the Manager for a period of five years from among the descendants of Kannu Kaippari, being eligible and competent otherwise.

Due to health reasons, when P. J. Sunny resigned, Mrs. Ammoo Tomy was appointed Manager of the school for five years from 19 – 6 – 1989. During her period, the Platinum Jubilee of the school was celebrated in 1991. In commemoration of the jubilee, a souvenir was published, in which valuable records and precious photographs were documented.

Blessings of the Apostle of Love for the Platinum Jubilee Celebration Are given here under.



Missionaries of Charity
54/A A.J.C. Bose Road
Calcutta, 700 016.
27th January 1991.

This brings my prayers and God's blessing on the wonderful work you are doing through your Educational Society. I wish you a happy Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.

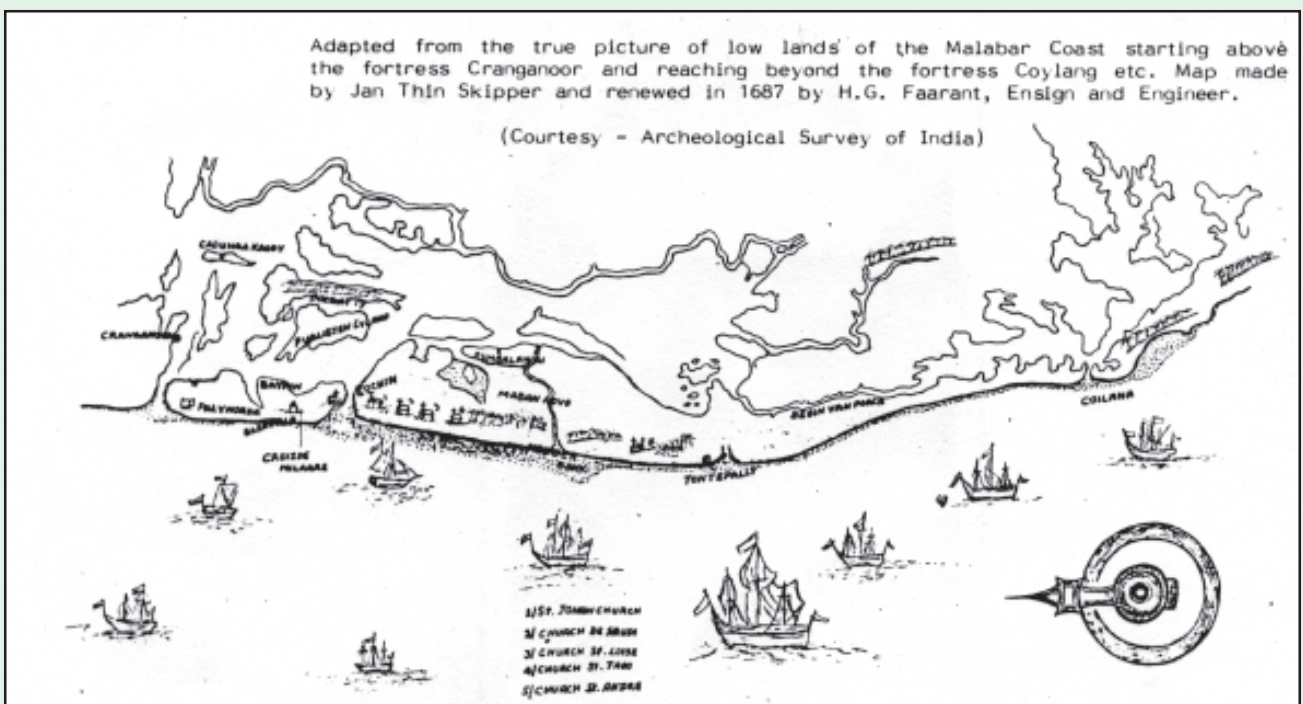
You have the wonderful opportunity to draw young people to the realisation of God's love for them and to teach them the moral values which will help them to be good citizens. Make an effort not to allow false goals of life – money, power, and pleasure to enslave them so as to lose sight of the true meaning of life.

Let us pray and work for peace, which we so badly need in our world today.
God bless you

Sd/ Mother Theresa

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The management take pride in first publishing and documenting in that souvenir, the oldest available map of Kerala Coast, drawn by Jan Thin, a Chinese skipper and renewed in 1687 by the Dutch Engineer H.A. Faarant.



In connection with the Platinum Jubilee, a school Diary was introduced. The diary includes a programme for assessment of academic progress and social manners and etiquettes. Definite instructions are also include on the subjects in the Diary. The details of the teachers and complete bio-data of the taught can be had from that diary.



The photos of the celebration committee of the Platinum Jubilee with the then Minister Shri Lonappan Nambadan and that of the descendants of Kannu Kaippari taken during the Jubilee are given below



After the five years term of Mrs. Ammoo Tomy, Shri P.J. Tomy, retired from Kerala Agricultural University, became the Manager for five years from 16-6-94.

Independence Day, Children’s Day and the School Anniversary are regularly Celebrated. A large member of prizes are distributed for academic subjects, sports and crafts. Pollayil Kaippari Memorial Educational Society instituted Nine cash Prizes for academic merits. The parent-teacher Association has also endowed two Cash prizes in commemoration of the Platinum Jubilee. Fr. Pius Mohan has endowed another cash prize in honour of his father the late P.J. Cletus.



P.J. Tomy



P.J. Jose Maria

After the five-year term of Shri. P.J. Tomy, Shri. P.J. Jose Maria, retired as Superintendent Engineer from ISRO Thumba, took charge as Manager from 16 – 6 – 1999. Parallel English Medium Divisions were started in the school from the academic year 2002 – 2003. Arrangements for harvesting rainwater were fitted in the school. A flag-mast and renovations to urinals and latrines were done with the help of Rotary Club of Cochin West. Shri P. J. Jose Maria is continuing as Manager.

Given below is the genealogy of Kannu Kaippari from c.1740 ie, four generations before and four generations after him. Apart from Chellanam, the family has more members at Thumpoly. A few families are present at Manaserry, Kandakkadavu and Pallithode. The genealogy chart is confined to nine generations of Kannu Kaippari based on available records.

GENEALOGY CHART

(Nine generations from c. 1740)

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