



*Don Bosco International School
Egmore, Chennai 600008, India.*

Bosco Beacon

July 2026

Rector's Message



Dear Parents, Teachers and Students,

I would like to draw your attention to being SENSITIVE, the theme for the month of July that passed by. Don Bosco noticed a poor boy quietly eating a piece of coarse black bread while the other boys were eating soft white bread. The boy tried to hide his bread, embarrassed by his poverty. Don Bosco immediately understood what the student was feeling. Without drawing anyone's attention to him, Don Bosco walked over with a smile and said, "Would you exchange your bread for mine?" He placed his own white loaf into the boy's hands and took the black bread for himself. The boy's face lit up, not because he had better bread, but because someone protected his dignity. Don Bosco then cheerfully ate the coarse bread as though it were the finest meal.



For Don Bosco, sensitivity meant more than feeling sorry for someone. It meant noticing what others failed to see, understanding another person's unspoken pain, and acting immediately with generosity and love. He knew that a young person's heart could be wounded by humiliation just as much as by hunger. By exchanging the bread, he was really exchanging shame for dignity, loneliness for belonging, and poverty for love.

This simple gesture reminds us that true sensitivity is not found in big words but in small acts of thoughtful kindness. A smile, a listening ear, a word of encouragement, or a quiet sacrifice can change someone's day - and sometimes, even someone's life.

In today's fast-moving world, knowledge and success alone do not make a great person. A truly educated person is one whose mind thinks clearly, whose hands serve willingly, and whose heart feels deeply. Sensitivity begins when one begins to see every person with respect, every creation with gratitude, and every situation as an opportunity to do good.

Every member of the Don Bosco - Egmore family, is invited to be sensitive in words, thoughtful in actions, and compassionate in relationships. May we notice the lonely classmate, encourage the discouraged, respect our teachers and parents, care for our campus, and use technology responsibly, always remembering that behind every screen is a human heart.

May Don Bosco inspire us to have a heart similar to his: intelligent, compassionate, and always ready to serve.

Fr. Alphonse Philip

Rector & Correspondent



Principal's Message



Dear Don Bosco Family,

Welcome to the second edition of Bosco Beacon—our monthly newsletter that celebrates the life, spirit, and achievements of our school community.

As we reflect on the past month, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to our students for their outstanding achievements, our dedicated teachers for their passion and innovation, our non-teaching staff for their unwavering support, and our parents for being valued partners in our educational mission. Every milestone we celebrate is the result of our shared commitment and teamwork.

This month's theme is Unity. At Don Bosco, we believe that praying and working together is our highest form of spirituality and professionalism. Together, we inspire, support, and empower one another to achieve excellence.

A pencil always carries an eraser—not because it expects mistakes, but because it reminds us that mistakes can be corrected. Likewise, we must learn to erase our biased opinions, false assumptions, and negative attitudes that create unnecessary divisions. When we choose understanding over judgment, forgiveness over criticism, and collaboration over comparison, we build a positive atmosphere where everyone feels respected, valued, and encouraged to grow.

Let us continue to be pathfinders, not fault finders, creating a school culture rooted in unity, mutual respect, and hope.

Thank you for your continued trust, dedication, and support. Together, let us keep building a vibrant Don Bosco community where every child thrives and every success is shared.

May God bless you and your families.

Fr. L. Suresh Kumar, SDB
Principal

“When we erase our prejudices, we create space for unity. When we work and pray together, nothing is impossible.”





Parent Teacher Meeting on 04.07.2026



On 04.07.2026 the school successfully conducted a Parent-Teacher Meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., fostering a vital bridge between home and academia. To ensure personalized attention and a seamless flow, parents arrived according to pre-allocated time slots for meaningful, one-on-one discussions with class teachers regarding their wards' academic and holistic progress.

Emphasizing the value of parental insights, the institution gathered evaluations through both physical feedback forms and a conveniently shared QR code for digital submissions, concluding a highly collaborative and structured morning.



Class Assembly by Grade 2

Theme : Kindness & Sharing



Grade 2 Students hosted a delightful school assembly on 10th July 2026 - resonated warmly with all those present, setting a joyful and meaningful tone for the entire event.



The young learners put up vibrant and thoughtful performances that brought the theme beautifully to life:

Skit — The highlight of the assembly was a captivating skit in which the students wove together the values of cleanliness, care, love, and kindness into one heartfelt narrative. Through expressive acting and simple storytelling, the children portrayed real-life situations that showed how small acts of kindness, love, and care — along with keeping our surroundings clean — can make a big difference in the world around us. The skit was both entertaining and deeply meaningful, drawing appreciation from everyone in the audience.

Action Dance — The performances concluded on a high-energy note with a lively action dance, leaving the audience thoroughly entertained and energized.



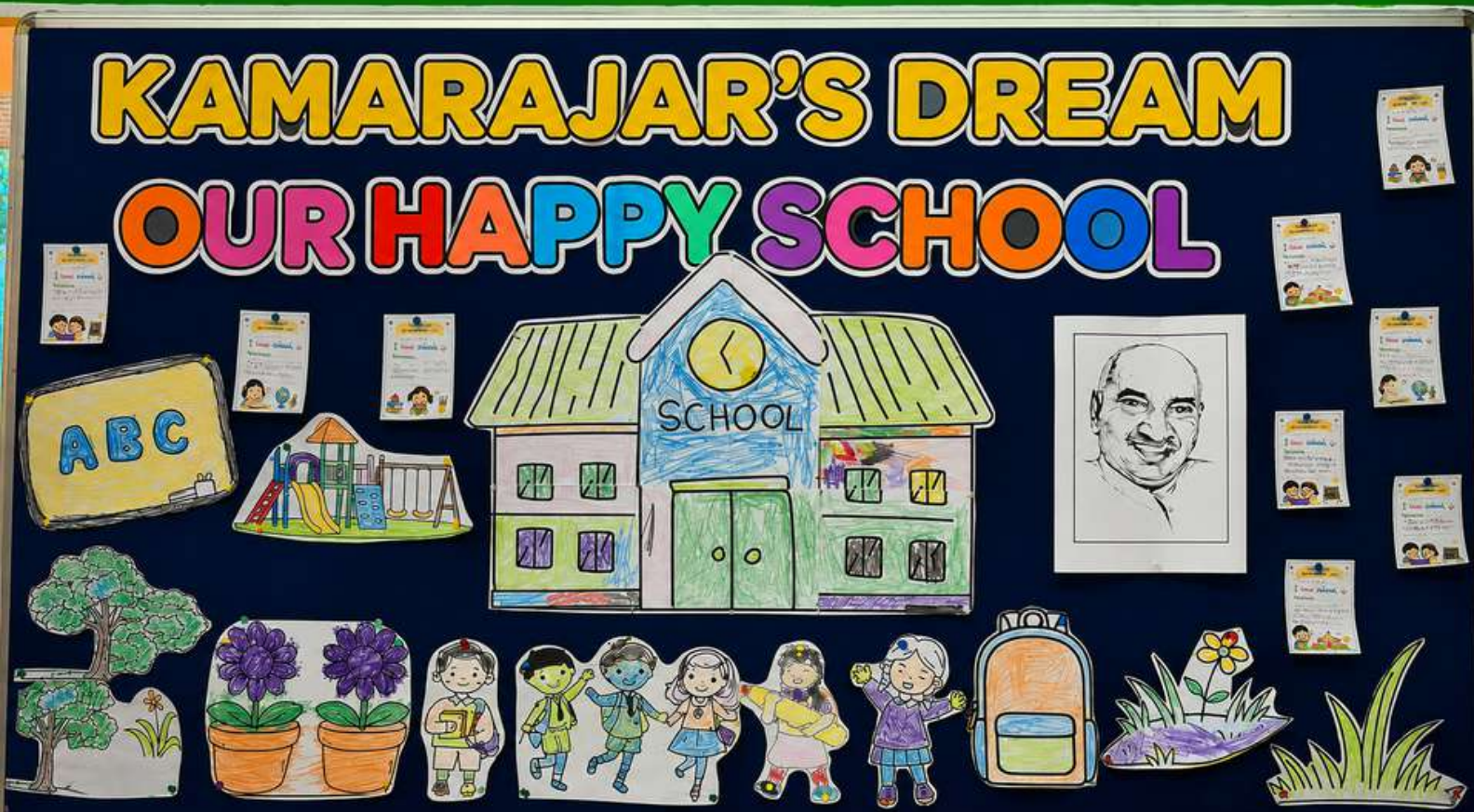
Words of Appreciation and Guidance

The assembly was graced by the presence Fr. Paulraj Maniam - Vice Rector and Fr. Suresh Kumar - Principal whose encouraging words added great significance to the occasion.

Both dignitaries specially appreciated and acknowledged the Class Teacher and Co-Teacher for their dedication and effort in training and preparing the children to present such a meaningful assembly. Their hard work and commitment to nurturing young minds were warmly recognized.

Kalvi Valarchi Naal

15.07.2026



Kalvi Valarchi Naal (Education Development Day) was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 15 July to commemorate the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Kamaraj, the visionary leader who transformed education in Tamil Nadu. Students pay tribute to his legacy through creative drawings and by watching thought-provoking videos that highlighted his remarkable contributions to education. The Celebration inspired to cherish the values of education, equality, and selfless service to society while remembering the lasting impact of Kamaraj's vision.



Farewell for Ms. Roanna D'mello – 22.07.2026



The PYP Family of Don Bosco International School, Egmore, organized a heartfelt farewell programme to honour Ms. Roanna for her invaluable contribution to establishing the IB PYP. The programme featured prayers, felicitations, inspiring addresses by Fr. Rector and Fr. Principal, and heartfelt messages from students and teachers expressing their gratitude.



Ms. Roanna thanked the management and staff for their love and support, encouraging the team to continue the PYP journey with passion. The event concluded with a group photograph, leaving everyone with cherished memories and appreciation for a mentor who will always remain a part of the DBIS family.



Orientation for New Recruits 25.07.2026



Educators from various Don Bosco schools across Chennai came together for an enriching orientation programme on Don Bosco's Preventive System, organized by Kalvi Solai. The session was specially conducted for newly appointed teaching staff to deepen their understanding of the Salesian philosophy of education. The programme was animated by Fr. John Alexander SDB (Vice Provincial), Fr. Stalin Dhanraj (Youth Ministry), Fr. Arokiadoss Lourdusamy (Director, Kalvi Solai), Fr. Yacob (Director, Niraivagam), and Dr. Manickasamy. Through inspiring talks and interactive sessions, the resource persons highlighted the importance of reason, religion, and loving-kindness in nurturing young minds, equipping teachers to carry forward Don Bosco's educational mission with dedication and compassion.



Vice Rector's Birthday 30.07.2026



The campus was vibrant with joy and excitement as the primary section of Don Bosco Matriculation Higher Secondary School and Don Bosco International School (DBIS) came together to celebrate the birthday of our Vice Rector, Fr. Paulraj Maniam.

The highlights of the celebration included an adorable and energetic dance performance by our Grade II students, who delighted the audience with their rhythm and bright smiles. Expressing the shared love and gratitude of the campus, a personalized greeting card and a gift were presented to Fr. Paulraj on behalf of DBIS in honor of his inspiring guidance and dedication.

It was a wonderful morning that highlighted the strong sense of community, warmth, and unity within our Don Bosco family.

We wish Fr. Paulraj a joyous year ahead filled with health, happiness, and abundant blessings!





Class Assembly

Grade 1

31.07.2026



The Grade 1 Assembly was conducted with great enthusiasm, beautifully combining the theme of International Friendship Day with the values of kindness and compassion. The students presented a delightful skit titled "The Caring Magic Tree," highlighting the importance of friendship, empathy, and caring for one another. They further enlivened the programme with an energetic action song that spread joy and excitement among the audience. Fr. Administrator graced the occasion with his presence, and the Principal later joined the assembly, appreciating the students' confident performance and commending the dedicated efforts of the teachers in making the event both meaningful and memorable.





DON BOSCO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

EGMORE, CHENNAI

AUGUST 2026



VALUE OF THE MONTH

UNITY

DATE	DAY	EVENTS
1	SAT	
2	SUN	Friendship Day
3	MON	
4	TUE	
5	WED	
6	THU	
7	FRI	National Handloom Day
8	SAT	Quit India Movement Day
9	SUN	International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples
10	MON	Staff Meeting / World Biofuel Day / World Lion Day
11	TUE	
12	WED	World Elephant Day / International Youth Day
13	THU	International Left-Handers Day / World Organ Donation Day
14	FRI	Activities for Independence Day
15	SAT	Independence Day / Feast of Assumption – Holy Mass for Catholic students and Parents.
16	SUN	Birthday of St. John Bosco
17	MON	Activities for St. John Bosco's Birthday
18	TUE	
19	WED	World Humanitarian Day / World Photography Day
20	THU	World Mosquito Day
21	FRI	Senior Citizen Day
22	SAT	Madras Day
23	SUN	
24	MON	Comm. of Mary Help of All
25	TUE	Activities for Milad-un-Nabi and Onam Festival
26	WED	Milad-un-Nabi / Onam Holiday
27	THU	World Lake Day
28	FRI	Fr. Rector's Birthday Celebration – Students / Class Assembly – KG 1 & KG 2
29	SAT	Fr. Rector's Birthday Celebration – Staff / National Sports Day / International Day Against Nuclear Tests
30	SUN	
31	MON	Comm. of St. John Bosco



Developing Inquiring, Knowledgeable and Caring Young Learners

