

## Oru Paanai

During our Visit to Jaffna in February 2010 we had the opportunity to visit Muthuthamby Maha Vidyalayam in Jaffna.

This School is in Thirunelveli and as you enter the school building you go through a beautiful garden with flowerbeds, fruit trees and a water feature, which the Head Teacher is planning to make into an outdoor aquarium.

The school has classes from Kindergarten to GCSC.

As members of the Oru Paanai project we wanted to find out for ourselves how the project is functioning and received by students, the parents and the school.

We went to the school at midday and met the Head Teacher and also the school teacher who was responsible for the mid day meal.

We also went to the kitchen and met the parents who were busy preparing the food.

During our visit we were pleased to understand that the Head Teacher and the parents are very grateful to the members of the Oru Paanai Project. They said that the food served to the children before the assistance given by the Oru Paanai project was only rice and unshelled dhal.

Now with the help of Oru Paanai Project they are able to give the students a well-balanced and healthy meal.

The students relished the food so much that they did not leave even a single grain of rice on the plate.

We could see their cheerful faces after the meal, and they were very grateful to the Oru Paanai.

We also tasted the food to make sure that their comments were genuine and sincere. This visit to the school made us feel happy and satisfied that we are also part of the project.

Because of time constraint we could not visit other schools in Jaffna who are being supported by the Oru Paanai project.

We hope more people will join this project so that more schools can be helped under the Oru Paanai project.

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**Why don't you too become part of Oru Paanai and enjoy this feeling of enjoyment and satisfaction.**

*Mr and Dr Arunasalam*



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