

Message from the President of one of our Sister Associations...

It gives me great pleasure to send this message on the occasion of your "**Silver Jubilee**" edition of **Sangamum** that is to be released on Oct 20, 2012.

Velanai Central College is the premier educational institution of the people who are the residents of the Islands, south west of Jaffna Peninsula. It's a noble gift from our founding fathers who were actuated by the resolve to preserve our education, culture, and age old tradition. As inheritors of this great establishment, we should remember the travails they went through to make it a tower of enriching stature and reputation. It has rendered yeoman service to our community. It is our present duty to preserve it for the sake of our future generations.

Our school has produced innumerable distinguished old students eminent in all walks of life and they have proved their worth in various fields worldwide. Even more gratifying is the sense of honour and profound affinity to their Alma Mater. Their contributions individually and through OSAs all over the world to improve the living conditions back home has been significant. Proudly, Velanai Central College Old Students' Association - UK is one of the pioneering benefactors overseas.

Further, it would be very desirable for all the OSAs to work together to co-ordinate our activities in order to prevent duplication.

I extend my best wishes to "VCCOSA-UK" to grow up well and render service to our school, our brothers and sisters, and our mother land as well.

"Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity."

- Aristotle

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