

### *The Newsletter of Cambridge Tamil Sangam*

## Welcome Note

Arun Muthirulan  
Chair of Trustees

Dear Members and Well-wishers,  
அனைவருக்கும் எங்கள் அன்பார்ந்த  
வணக்கங்கள்!

It is with immense pride and joy that we bring this first edition of Tamil Thendral to you. True to its meaning, this Thendral will be a gentle breeze from the South and will offer interesting insights and information on the evolution of Tamil language and culture in a globalised world. We also aim to be in touch with you and share information about the Sangam activities.

We look forward to your active contribution to Tamil Thendral to transform it to a media platform for everyone interested in Tamil literature, arts and linguistics. Please feel free to submit your work in Tamil such as Poetry, Lyrics, Short stories and articles. We will be very glad to publish them in forthcoming editions of Tamil Thendral.

## Events and Activities

Elangkumaran Chandrasekaran  
Secretary

The Sangam Inauguration and Tamil New Year celebration event on April 25th 2015 was a success in spite of the short lead time after the Sangam formation in January 2015.

The event showcased both established and budding talent in Cambridge. Our heart-felt thanks to the members and guests who participated and supported in the organization of the event to make it a success!

We are always looking to organise festivals, cultural and community building events as part of Tamil culture, language, literature, arts, and entertainment. It is also our objective to encourage the participation of the younger generation in Tamil literature and arts related activities and this will be a core focus.

We welcome your suggestions and ideas for such events and activities in the future.

## KEY DATES

SEP 13<sup>TH</sup> – TAMIL  
LANGUAGE LESSONS  
@ COLERIDGE  
COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE

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## Tamil Language Classes in Cambridge

Ravindran Sundararajah, Treasurer and Karthik Rajagopalan, Coordinator

Plans for conducting Tamil language classes in Cambridge are shaping up well. We have an agreement with California Tamil Academy (CTA) to adopt their Tamil curriculum. There is very good interest for the lessons with around 15 students signed up. With the kind support of our partners, Milton Keynes Mutthamizh Mandram (MKMM) Tamil School we will operate as a satellite centre in Cambridge. Lessons are starting from September 13<sup>th</sup> 2015, at Coleridge Community College, Cambridge and will follow the academic calendar over the year. To begin with, lessons will be offered at entry level classes and will move upwards in the following years.

**We are looking for Editorial, Literary, Linguistic and Artistic contributors to Tamil Thendral, especially youngsters, so please contact us if you are interested.** Finally, we wish you the very best for the summer holidays and look forward to being in touch in Autumn with the next edition.

Yours Sincerely

The Trustees of Cambridge Tamil Sangam