



# CJM NEWSLETTER

www.cjm-pakistan.com

MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME

## CJM SENIORS TRIP TO MALAYSIA

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of January, 2006, our group of 32 girls, 6 teachers, 2 mothers accompanied by our Principal, Sr. Pilar left from Islamabad for Kuala Lumpur via Bangkok, Thailand. On the morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> we were in KL!

Kuala Lumpur, meaning a muddy estuary, is the capital of Malaysia. It was established as a mining outpost in 1857, a century before the country's independence on 31<sup>st</sup> of August, 1957.

Our first day was spent touring the city. The Salahuddin Abdul Aziz State Mosque, the war memorial, the Sultan's Palace, Petaling Street (China Town), the **Merdeka Square**, and of course the world famous **Petronas Twin Towers**. From the **Minara Kuala Lumpur**, a communication tower, we got the aerial view of the Garden City of Lights...KL. The city's architecture is representative of the country's dominant cultures – the Malay, Chinese and Indian. Combined with the colonial legacy of the British and Moorish influences, KL has one of Asia's most dynamic cityscapes.



On the second day our tour took us to the famous **Batu Caves** in the state of Sallangor. This popular attraction houses a Hindu shrine in a massive limestone outcrop, with huge caves. The next

destination was the grand **Genting Highlands**. It's a cool summer escape on top of Fraser's Hill. We got there by a cable car whose ride was very picturesque amongst the preserved forest areas of the region. Lunch was traditional Malaysian food of prawns, fish, sushi and rice. The **Outdoor Theme Park** with roller coasters including the Flying Coaster was a thrilling place. That night we dressed up for a formal dinner where took the opportunity to thank our Principal and teachers who made this trip possible for us.



The **Straits of Malacca** beckoned on the third day and we spent the day visiting **Port Dickson** and its pristine beaches. The villages around had very large scale **palm plantations**, which provided the palm oil making Malaysia the world's largest exporter of palm oil. Returning to KL we took the route via the new planned capital (Federal Administrative Centre) named **Putra Jaya**. Shopping at the biggest shopping mall of Asia, the Mid Valley Shopping Mall, we took taxis back to Hotel Corus.



The last day was to be remembered for its visit to the Petronas Twin Towers and its **Sky Bridge** on the 41<sup>st</sup> floor. The breathtaking bird's eye view of KL stayed in our memories for much longer than the 20 minute time limit at the sky bridge.



Our return journey began but the overnight stop over in Bangkok was a good time to do last minute gift shopping at the huge Duty Free shopping in the Airport. We landed in Lahore on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January all enriched by a memorable experience.



Mahum Qureshi (11C)



## BAHAWALPUR, CHOLISTAN, MULTAN

The Annual trip of class 10, 10M and 9M to Bahawalpur, Choliostan and Multan started with a train ride on the Shalimar Express at 6.30 am from Lahore Railway Station. In Bahawalpur buses were waiting for us at the station to take us to our hotel.



After a quick lunch we were taken to a city tour which included the historical palaces of the Nawab of Bahawalpur. By special permission from the Army we were given a conducted tour of **Darbar Mehal** and its **Bara Dari**. A pair of pelicans, the symbol of the Nawab's Domain and part of his insignia, welcomed us in the palace's lush green lawns. **Sadiq Public School** was the last stop of the day. Traditional dinner and dance ended the first day with a lot of excitement for the rest of the trip.



Next morning was an early start to head for the **Derawar Fort** in the heart of the Cholistan Desert. After a rough camel ride, a relaxing lunch was served in an old mosque. We returned after sun down and headed for the traditional shopping in the city. Well known for **embroidery and silver jewellery** the shopping was a real treat. A formal dinner awaited us at the most amazing and grandly lit **Noor Mahal** (now a garrison mess of the army). After a guided tour of the palace with the antique relics of the Nawab's times on display we had a scrumptious continental feast. It was an opportunity for all to compare notes and thank each other especially our Principal, Sr Pilar and all the teachers.



**Lal Sohanra National Park** was the first stop on the third day which is one of the country's largest forest and wild life reserves with a large population of deer and neel gai. There is a lion safari too (for the more daring) but we headed for the desert again after lunch at the **'whispering hill'** lake side rest house. In the desert near our 'shamiana' was a 170 foot high **watch tower** with a breath taking view of the desert sun-set. A **camel dance** was performed around a blaring bon fire after sun down and a barbeque dinner in a traditional 'farshi' seating transported us into the royal times of the Nawab's hunting camps.



Our return jouney began early morning to head for the historical city of Multan. The majestic shrines of **Shah Rukn-e-Alam, Bahauddin Zakriya** and Shah Shams were on our way. After lunch we headed for the Multan Railway station and we arrived in Lahore at 11pm full of exciting stories to tell our parents.



Report by  
Khadijah Ranjha 10C



## KHEWRA SALT MINES

This story can fit 150-200 words.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports.

While your main goal of distributing a newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is mak-

ing it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

You can also research articles or find "filler" articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way

to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it. Khewra Salt Mines, the second largest in the world are located in the Salt Range stretching from Khewra to Kalabagh. First discovered in 326 BC in the times of Alexander the Great.

Babar mentions this area in his book Tuzk-e-Babri. However Dr Wrath developed the mines on scientific lines in 1872 during the British Empire.

Class 9's trip to this site was very educational. We took the Motorway to Kallar

Kahar and got to the mines on buses. Locomotives took us to the visitors gallery at level II of the mining area. Illuminated mines were full of amazing sculptures and objects all made from salt rocks. A pond inside the mines was full of brine of density 2.26 gm/cm<sup>3</sup>. Local faults and folds in the range were shown to us. Stalactites and stalagmites were a useful sight to see since we study them in our lessons.

Report by Rameesha Rizwani 9C



## THE VENET CENTRE PASARELA

Pasarela 2006 fashion show is put up every year as a part of the Annual Meena Bazar fund raising effort. This year the Thevenet Centre children presented Provincial and National dresses to the beat of respective music, rhythm and dance.

First came the elegant **Sindhis** to the beat of "**Dane pe Dana**"

Then the young **Balochis** came to the beat of

"**Washmalae**"

Later the **Frontier Pathans** came to the beat of a **Pashto song**.

The energetic **Punjabis** came to the beat of the "**Punjabi Bhangra**"

In the end, the chief guests, **Quaid-e-Azam & Fatima Jinnah** entered to the song "**Hum Aik Hain**". The guests in the

hall stood up in their honour ... and there were tears in many eyes...



# MEENA BAZAR 2006-02-05



# FOUNDRESS' DAY

3<sup>RD</sup> OF FEBRUARY, 2006

Saint Claudine Thevenet's picture is put up in the main arch.

Thevenet Centre children present a song "Our Mother Claudine"

All sections get ready with their presentations

Urdu Section present a melodious song

KG Section recite poems

Junior School have a grand ensemble to sing Ode to Joy

Senior Section act out the values of the modern day CJM student

Sweets are distributed to celebrate the Founderess' Day

150 years of Sialkot Convent is also celebrated



# Mini Sports Day Glimpses



# EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Junior School Concert  
Class 9's Play "Rappuccini's Daughter"  
Interschool basketball victory

