

St Veronica Welfare Committee P.O. BOX 5098, West End 4101

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APPEAL FOR FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT AN ALL-WEATHER BASKETBALL COURT FOR GIRLS AT ST FRANCIS XAVIER HOME, ANAND, GUJARAT, INDIA – A SCHOOL FOR GIRLS FROM LOCAL AND MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES.

In 1901, St Francis Xavier Home was established with the goal of uplifting and empowering financially and socially disadvantaged girls through the provision of a quality education including access to essential learning materials, nutritious meals and healthcare in a safe and nurturing environment. Over the decades thousands of girls from poor communities have attended the school with the hope of a better future, going on to lead meaningful, successful lives. Currently nearly 1000 girls attend St Francis Xavier Home from Kindergarten through to Standard 12. Many students travel from nearby villages, whilst 190 girls from distant and remote areas board at the school at a minimum cost to poor families. Whilst the school has a spacious sports ground, it is under-utilized due to its condition, limiting students' ability to engage in year-round sport necessary for a comprehensive education and physical development. In particular, the basketball court becomes unplayable during the monsoon season due to thick, glutinous mud and excessive plant growth. The goal of this appeal is to raise funds to help finance the construction of an all-weather concrete court to encourage and support the all-round development of the students.



**Above:
Current
court
Above
Right and
Right:
Some of
the St
Francis
Xavier
students at
assembly**



SUPPORT FOR ST FRANCIS XAVIER APPEAL:

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