

# 2012-2013 BRIDGE COURSE FIRST REPORT

by Sr. Mary Crescence, Director

August 22, 2012: **The Bridge Course** has been this year a real challenge for us. As we said goodbye to the year 2011-2012, we had to say good by to our teacher **Shristi Kumari**, all against her wish and our will. Her parents needed her services she had to leave us in April 2012. Her leaving us was hard for me and for my co-workers.

The struggle-ful search for a teacher like Shristi continued for April, May, June and early July. There were candidates ready to teach daytime, but none to stay at night with the girls. It was a big disappointment. At this juncture also I took the interview of the girls and a new batch was selected. The group came in the hostel and God listened to our prayer. Shristi's vacant place was filled by **Sunita Chakravarty** in mid-July 2012.

Opening was done on July 5, 2012. With their parents, 14 girls joined our Bridge Course. The classes began on July 10, 2012, and along with it began a match between the new girls and the staff. Call it a cricket match or a football match, trying our patience, our skills and our resources. Nothing was less trying than past years. In spite of all our love and tender care, two dropped out in the very first week.

A month later we decided to send all the girls home for four days of their feast, on trial a basis. And to our surprise, some of these girls brought such a nice



The 2012-13 Bridge Course girls with their teacher

impression that Guardian from their villages came in asking admission of their daughter in Bridge Course. Fresh interviews took place and new girls joined us.

Slowly the vehicle came on a right track. Classes have picked up the normal speed. The girls have started loving us, when we feel our energy is exhausted.

A new teacher, **Miss Chandani Kumari**, has joined us because it was too much for one person to be 24 hours with the group.

**Mr. Pankaj Kumar** from Sacred Heart School Bettiah joined us for part time in the afternoon to teach the girls computer and some games. So we have higher goals than in past.

Do remember us that we all may do better.

With best wishes,  
Sr. Mary Crescence, Director

Name	Address	Ambition
Nesha Kumari	Banuchaper, Bettiah	S.P
Antima Kumari	Rani Pakari, Bettiah	Teacher
Netu Kumara	Bariyarpur, Motihari	Doctor
Antima Kumari	Baldari, Bettiah	Police
Gunja Kumari	Baldari, Bettiah	Teacher
Umma Kumari	Barvat, Bettiah	Doctor
Usha Kumari	Balbaneya, Bettiah	Police
Gunja Kumari	Bariyarpur, Motihari	Police
Gotam Kumari	Malha, Bettiah	Teacher
Priya Kumari	Banuchaper, Bettiah	Police
Netu Kumari	Bariyarpur, Motihari	Teacher
Rani Kumar	Baldari, Bettiah	Police



Mr. Pankat Kumar



Miss Chandani Kumari