

COMMUNITY

First in flute playing



Asel Vinjitha Algama of Grade 8, Isipathana College, Colombo was placed first in the 2011 All Island Music and Drama contest organized by the Education Ministry. He has come first in Western Province flute playing as well.

Asel started playing the flute after joining Isipathana College primary musical troupe. He is a flautist in the *Isisara* Music Group since 2010.

Asel is trained by Tharangani Pathiraja and Nuwan Balasuriya.



Dematagoda St Mathews College dance troupe which won the second place at the 2011 All Island Inter-school Dancing Competition are pictured with Dancing teacher B Hemali Sudarshika Cooray and staff members Sanjeeva Bansa-jaya and Bandula Perera. *Picture by Chintake Kumarasinghe*

Justice Minister Rauff Hakeem and UNICEF Deputy Representative Desiree Jongsma lighting the oil lamp at the opening ceremony of Sri Lanka's second children's court in Jaffna. UNICEF has invested Rs 3.5 million for this initiative.



Hemalatha Malini Ariyaratne who donated her entire property worth Rs 550 million to the Health Ministry was felicitated by Health Minister Maithripala Sirisena recently. This is the biggest donation ever to the Health Ministry. A Thalassemia Care Centre has been set up in this property and 300 children are receiving treatment at the moment.