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## Dinner time at Tirrapatur School

### Questions

Where do you eat your lunch when you are at school? Who do you eat with?

What do you notice about these children eating their lunch at school?

Why do they eat outside?

What do you think the weather is like?

What forms of transport can you see in the picture?

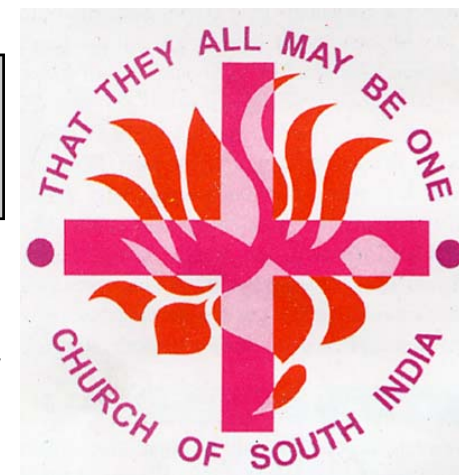
How do you think the children might have come to school? How do you travel to school?

### Background.

In Tirrapatur there is an elementary school (a primary school) and a girls' school in the same compound. Just twenty minutes ago a class of older girls was playing volleyball in the yard (can you find their net in the photograph?). Now some of the younger children's families have arrived with their hot lunches (tiffin) and they have settled down for their daily picnic.

Schools do not usually have a large hall in India, so assemblies, and school lunches, all take place in the biggest outdoor space.

The size of the playground, the bicycles, and the wearing of uniforms tells you that this is a school where the families are reasonably well off. The playground is well shaded with trees and securely walled off from the main road.







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