



December 2018

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

- Nelson Mandela

Dear Parents,

As we enter the New Year, we look back over the year that has gone by. It is both inspiring and heartening to see our progress and accomplishments as well as the individual growth and development of each student within the Centre. We owe much to the dedication and commitment of our wonderful team of teachers who have invested a great deal of effort, hard work, creativity and personal initiative to ensure that the curriculum caters to multiple intelligences, learning styles and readiness levels of each student in the classroom.

Christmas Carnival

The Christmas Carnival at our Centre, is a huge undertaking and we cannot thank our parent community enough. So many of you came forward and participated for this Joy of Giving event. We would like to especially thank PAC members for going extra length to in getting businesses to put up a stall and getting tempting raffle tickets prizes. The event was a success and we exceeded our fundraising goal. All the proceeds went to Indus Community projects. Here are a few pictures from that beautiful day....





Sweater Drive

December was the month, where IELC initiated and involved itself in an array of philanthropic activities. One of them was conducting the '**Sweater Drive**' to help and contribute towards the noble cause of supporting **Kallahalli Orphanage**. The orphanage houses almost 140 children and has virtually no financial support. The family of IELC, including parents and teachers wholeheartedly participated and supported the cause. We were able to generate a considerable amount of sweaters and other necessary items.



Christmas Celebrations

Christmas came early to IELC when Santa visited each classroom with his team of little helpers distributing gifts and interacting with students. Teachers and staff also celebrated Christmas by taking time to appreciate and acknowledge each other and exchange gifts. Teachers too distributed gift bags to each of our staff members and helpers. Truly, the spirit of Christmas is in giving and selfless service.



News from the Classrooms:

Reception:

Reception students presented a Christmas play for their class assembly. The children, in their dazzling costumes displayed abundant confidence in front of their family members.





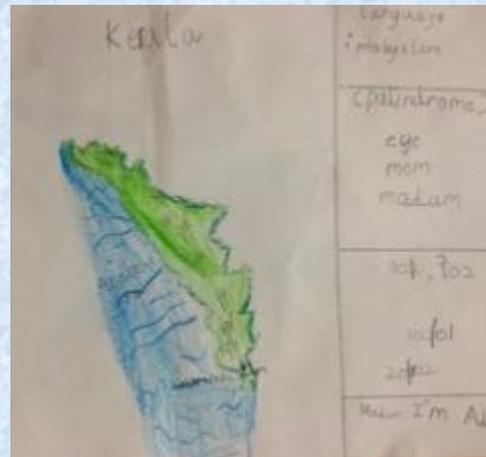
Grade 1:

Learner Agency In Grade 1

Few weeks back, our Grade 1 learners wholeheartedly embraced the concept of Learner Agency with open arms. Learner agency is when learners have “the power to act” – when learning involves activity and initiative on the part of the learners themselves, and not just the teacher, curriculum, and/or resources, etc.

As we embarked into the unknown journey, we were thrilled and the way forward seemed really adventurous, with our learners paving their own course of learning. Our children, guided by the central idea of the unit had chosen a topic of their choice. As the learners became the agents of learning, we were sure the journey was going to unfold in many beautiful ways and we would be astounded with the result.

Normally, in planning an inquiry, we would use the key concepts, lines of inquiry, and student questions to plan learning engagements. But trying to honour their sense of agency, we gave the concepts and lines of inquiry to the students, and let them plan their learning journey. By co-constructing our investigations, we are naturally personalizing inquiry and cultivating independence, trust and a love of learning in our students. The experience so far has been interesting as we have been our learners' voice in why, what and how learning experiences take shape and the journey continues!



Important dates in January

January 7th , Monday, 2018– School reopens after winter break

January 14th, Monday – Sankranti / Pongal celebration at school

January 15th, Tuesday – Sankranti Holiday

January 19th, Saturday – Family Picnic at IELC Whitefield

January 26th , Saturday – Republic Day holiday

Another year is ahead of us and we are excited to welcome the coming year with lots of fun, love, and happiness. A new year is an opportunity to start afresh we pray it brings in prosperity and good luck for the entire year. Here's wishing you all a great new year filled with love, happiness and peace.



Warm regards and best wishes:

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