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Message from Head of Centre

'Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world'

Nelson Mandela

Dear Parent,

January was a month devoted to 'Leadership' and professional development of teachers.

As a part of formal in-service training, we organized a workshop to upgrade the content knowledge and pedagogical skills of our teachers. It is viewed as an important means of teaching and learning. A session on 'Making the PYP happen in the classroom' was conducted by a professional IB workshop leader, in order to support the professional growth of teachers and administrators, transform classroom practice and student learning, and cultivate enduring communities of learners.

*The 'Leadership Camp' was held on 19th January for students of PP1 to grade 2, at our main campus in Shankarpally with a **vision** to achieve the wholesome growth of children as leaders, by working on their socio-emotional, physical, cognitive, language and aesthetic aspects. The aim was to encourage to explore, experiment and evolve, make aware about surroundings, finding out answers to questions, making meaning of things around, and boost imagination.*

We had a specialized team of trainers who came down from Indus School of Leadership-Bangalore, with specific goals to inculcate and develop the traits of leadership among the students such as learning while playing, planet sharing, team building and empathy, developing neuro-motor skills as well as social awareness. The students were divided in to 3 groups which shuffled among trainers, each set of trainers handling a particular set of activities and reflection sessions of 1 hour. The program successfully met the learning objectives.



A special assembly was held on 25th January in view of 'Republic Day' celebration. Children came dressed in colours of the National Flag, and the teachers represented different states of India. The teachers spoke about significance of "Republic day", displayed a power point presentation on history of Republic day, pictures and videos of diversity, culture, dress and national leaders. Teachers sang a patriotic song. Children were engaged in poster making as a group activity with the theme 'unity in diversity'. Teachers set forth their attire of states of India.



Students of Nursery and Reception went on a field trip to Vengal Rao park for a nature walk, to connect with the central idea on 'Earth's Natural Cycles'. The trees and withering leaves gave them a feel of autumn season. The Nursery children visited Chowmahalla palace to observe the display of vintage cars and this helped them connect with modes of transport. Teachers explained the evolution of transport over time.



We thank you for attending the PTM that concluded the second term, and look forward for the final term which awaits the Indus day.

Important dates

- 1st February - Term 3 commences*
- 3rd February - Fire Safety Drill*
- 6th February - Gender Sensitization Week*

Sincerely

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