



अंतर्चेतना

Antarchetana - The awakening

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Education at school means more...

Schooling at large is an effort to make children a success-conscious 'Yes' thinker, a dreamer...so also a doer. It goes without saying that the strength of a nation depends on the individuals and hope lies with the young minds. All of us indeed aspire to have a better child, better mind, better society ultimately a better world worth living. To fulfil our aspirations we need to improve constantly, need to advance, need to excel...and in pursuit of doing so we need inventive, innovative, creative thoughts, ideas and efforts. Children in millions are the greatest natural resource with immense potential. All of them are capable to perform excellently to build a better world. A life-meaningful, resourceful and productive, is not difficult to lead provided we allow them to experiment and explore naturally.



NATIONAL DAIRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Education doesn't end with textbooks, rather it starts with them. Reading various books on environment, on pollution but never bothering to plant a seedling in lifetime... Is it termed as education? Storing hundreds of scientific laws but never wondering to make use of them for human need... Can it be called education? Enjoying all the national holidays in the name of our national heroes but never aspiring to spare some moments on reading, knowing them, their efforts-Is it real education ??



ANANDALAYA Silver Jubilee Year 1988-2013

If not...what is then that we need to do for educating our children? If they are expected to do something, let them be encouraged and enlightened by all...the teachers, the parents, the counsellors. Build up the young minds. Fill them with power. Instil dreams, help them fulfil their dreams. Create an inspiring atmosphere of creative activity. Train them. Motivate them. Praise them. Thank Them. Get close. Get involved. Spend time with them. Make them self-reliant, caring, loving. Recognise their strength and weakness, help them improve. Teaching them to walk is not enough. We need to show them the right path as well. Let us all make hard things easy for them changing repulsive textbooks into enjoyable reading.



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With this issue of "Antarchetana", Anandalaya has journeyed through three decades of relevance. Sticking to her mission our institution has lived up to the expectations of society helping thousands of children discover their strengths and enabling them all lead a meaningful and fulfilling life. Every child at Anandalaya grows with confidence, passion and sensitivity learning throughout his/her journey.



ANAND VIHAR आशा की ऊड़ान

We create a world together reinforcing the strengths and overcoming the weaknesses...thus celebrating life at this "home of happiness".

N.K.SINHA
Principal



Welcome Note - 2018

Children who come to Kindergarten embark on a voyage of schooling that lasts for 14 years. We at Anandalaya Preschool educate both, the head and the heart, our purpose being to groom the children not only in content but also in character. The teaching-learning environment challenges and motivates the curious minds, ignites their imagination thus illuminating their desire to learn. Anandalaya strives to spread positivity and increase the HQ and HI of the school. The school acknowledges the efforts of parents who selflessly contribute towards this cause. We are fortunate to have Mother Ambassadors whose commendable contributions on a regular basis have been most instrumental in all the accomplishments of the Preschool section. Uniforms introduced this year in the kindergarten section have helped remove distractions in the classroom and brought in uniformity. The new premises of the Anandalaya Kindergarten have strengthened the section further- the spacious classrooms allow free movement of children, appropriate ventilation imparts optimum natural light and the attractive child friendly furniture imparts a highly stimulating teaching-learning environment.

School Readiness Classes



Seventeen students who took admission under RTE need to be brought at par with the regular children for language, numeracy and life skills. The preschool team conducts 'School Readiness Classes' for these children daily to foster their language, mathematical, cognitive,

social and emotional skills. Also the parents of these children are motivated to collaborate with the school and are proactively involved (the preschool team hand-holds them in making teaching aids and follow-up activities for home) so as to equip them to groom these children into competent and confident individuals.

Eid Celebration- Kindergarten Section



The festival of Eid was celebrated with the objective of acquainting the students with the rich cultural heritage of India and to inculcate the values of secularism and national integration among the students. Tanaaz madam wore a Burkha and pathani suit and offered namaz. During lunch,

children ate sevaiyya. The amphitheatre board displayed scenes of Ramzaan Eid which the children viewed for a few days. The students watched a PPT on Eid featuring mosque, namaz, fasting, variety of food items prepared during Eid, eidi (gift) and greeting of Eid Mubarak.

Inter-School Football Tournament



An Inter-School Football Tournament was organised by Anandalaya Sports Academy on 14th April 2018 in which 16 teams representing 8 schools from in and around Anand and Baroda participated in the Under-12, Under-14 and Under-16 categories. Executive Directors of NDDB, Mr. Sangram Singh Chaudhary and Mr. Y.Y. Patil were guests of honour. The Managing Director (In-charge) of AMUL Mr. Jayen Mehta was also present on the occasion.



In the Under-14 and Under-16 boys categories, Navrachana International School was the winner and Anandalaya footballers were runners-up; in the 'Under-12 boys' category, Vatsalya International School won the first position. The trophy for 'Under-16 girls' category was lifted by Vrajbhoomi International School.

Orientation Sessions- classes 1 to 10



Orientation about subjects, teaching methodologies, types of activities, the importance of recapitulation, parents were given guidance and tips by teachers on how they could guide their wards at home for studying various subjects in the right manner.



A video on the importance of repetition and revision in learning was shown to the parents. The Principal addressed the parents at the end of each session.

RTE Admissions and Remedial Classes

Students given admission under the RTE Act began attending school from 4th June 2018. An orientation session for these parents and students was held on 2nd June 2018, the process for which began in the month of May (25-5-2018). These admissions were granted under the Right to Education (RTE) Act in line with the Gujarat Education Department's admission process for people belonging to the Economically Weaker Section (EWS).

In addition, class I teachers apart from the regular teaching and training within the classroom, also conduct remedial classes for all subjects from 1:30 to 2:30 every day to help bring these students to a level at par with all the students.



Ambedkar Jayanti Celebration at NDDB



On the occasion of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar's birth anniversary on 14th April 2018, NDDB held a programme in honour of the father of Indian Constitution. Six of our students from classes VI to VIII got an opportunity to present a prayer and bhajans in the presence of the august gathering which included Mr. Manoj Patel, the Principal of Anand Arts College who was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

Show and Tell - Activity on Simple Machines



With the aim of helping students to connect learning with real life application, the science teacher Ms. Greena George organised a show and tell activity on 27th April 2018 for students of class 4 in their classrooms. The activity focused on students recognising the use of simple machines in real world scenario, demonstrating how simple machines work, and further on creating their own simple machines by making miniature models of simple machines used in day-to-day living.



The students explained and demonstrated the use of these machines to students of classes 1 to 5, to teachers and to the Principal. The efforts of the students were recognised and appreciated.

IRMA Convocation



On the occasion of the 37th convocation at IRMA on 28th April 2018, the school choir comprising of 20 students from classes V to VIII rendered the national anthem in the presence of invited dignitaries, the entire staff of IRMA and the graduating students.

Inter House Activity -Tangram Competition

An Inter-House Competition of Tangram making was conducted by Harsh House on 28th April 2018 for classes III to VI with the aim of developing the students' problem solving skills, logical-thinking skills and creativity.



It was an open competition. Briefing and practice sessions for this competition were held on 21st June 2018. The topic for category I (classes III and IV) was domestic animals and for category II (classes V and VI) was sea creatures.

Mathematical Housie or Tambola

Mathematical Tambola, a fun game was introduced a decade ago with a special purpose of engaging student in an inter-disciplinary activity without affecting their class time. This year from 16th April 2018 to 26th April 2018, each student from classes VI-X was given a tambola ticket consisting of 15 numbers arranged in 3 rows and 9 columns. Ten questions related to numbers 1-90 were put up in any order on the notice board every morning. Students were expected to find answers from the given clues. If they found it on their ticket, they had to cross out the same. Winners were selected on the basis of the following method- four corners, first row, second row, third row, unlucky thirteen, full house. The winners were given prizes by the Principal in the morning assembly held on 30th April 2018.

NDDB- World Milk Day Celebration

The school choir group yet again got an opportunity to display their singing talent before an august gathering of NDDB Chairman Mr. Dilip Rath, Union Minister of State for Panchayati Raj, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Mr. Parshottam Rupala, officials and guests attending the World Milk Day celebration on 1st June 2018. Eleven students of classes IV to IX presented a prayer and the national anthem.

4th International Day of Yoga



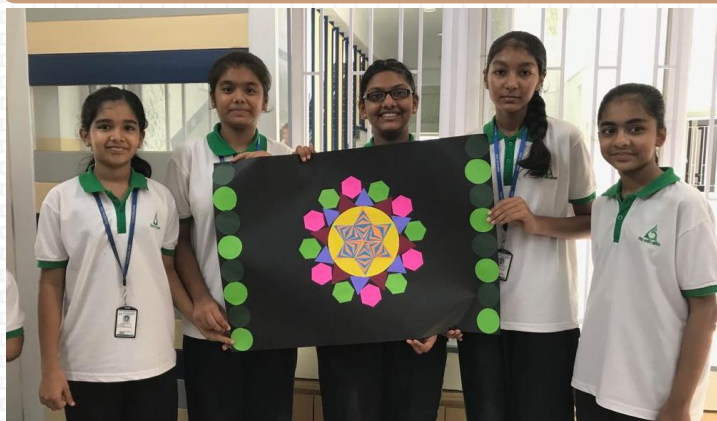
The 4th International Day of Yoga was celebrated on the NDDB Cricket Ground by Anandalaya on 21st June 2018. Students and teachers of 5 schools from the vicinity also performed yogasana as per the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP) followed all over the world. The event was attended by NDDB staff and parents in large numbers.



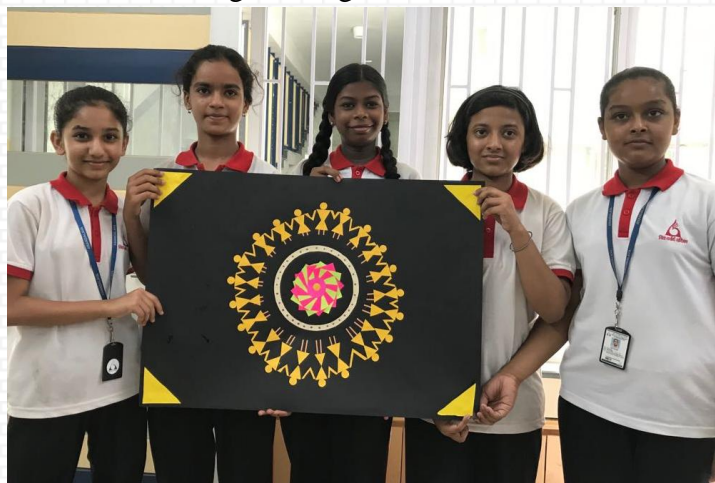
The Executive Directors of NDDB Mr. Sangram Singh Chaudhary and Mr. Y.Y.Patil were chief guests for the occasion accompanied by the District Planning Officer Ms. S.B. Dabhi and the Principal of Sardar Patel School Mr. Ketankumar Gandhi.



Inter House Activity- Mathematical Paper Rangoli



Mathematical Paper Rangoli competition was organised by Umang House under Inter-House Activities on 9th June 2018 for classes 7 and 8. The objective of this activity was to develop the students' aesthetic skills based on their knowledge of geometrical shapes. The group competition had 6 members from each house who created varicoloured rangoli designs on chart papers. For this they used coloured paper cut into varied geometrical shapes to create beautiful designs like a peacock and an assortment of rangoli designs.



Umang House secured the first position and Harsh House and Ullas House were joint second, followed by Utkarsh House which came in third.

SOF Results (IMO, NCO, ICSO)

In the academic session 2017-18, 338 students appeared for IMO and 63 students received medals. Two students got Medals of Distinction – Master Hridhaan Hemal Shah of class 3 achieved an international rank of 6 and Master Rushil D. Patel of class 6 whose international rank was number 49. In NCO, out of 53 students who appeared, 11 students got medals. For ICSO, 6 students received medals.

Science and Mathematics Exhibition 2018



For the second consecutive year, the Science and Mathematics faculties jointly organised the Science and Mathematics Exhibition 2018 on 30th June 2018 during school hours. All the students of classes VI to IX participated in this event.



A total of 43 projects based on various principles of Science and Maths were prepared and displayed enthusiastically by students through charts, PPTs, working models, charts and games. The Principal, Chief Coordinator, parents and teachers visited each classroom, patiently listened to students excitedly explained the working of their models and exhibits. The students prepared innovative and practical models putting to good use the learning of these subjects imbibed in the classrooms. Students' and teachers' meticulous and concentrated efforts over three weeks ensured that the exhibition was a grand success.

Green Brigade



Members of Green Brigade (2 teachers and 2 students) went for distribution of food packets on 24th March 2018 as part of 'No Hunger Campaign'. Children volunteered to join the teachers despite their ongoing Annual Examination.



The team of teachers and students went for distribution of food packets again on 28th April 2018.



In-charge teachers of Green Brigade addressed the new student members of the brigade (students of class 6) on 15th June 2018, and briefed them about the Tree Plantation project. They prepared the soil and sowed seeds in preparation for sapling distribution during monsoon.

Student's Orientation

(i) Ms. Megha Srivastav, Regional Manager, India and South Asian Markets Development from Brock University, Canada oriented students on Monday, 25th June 2018. She briefed the students of class 12th about various graduate and undergraduate programs offered to the students and also life at the university. In general her session led students to consider studying abroad and also think about preparations required for the same

(ii) Mr. Abhishek Singh Gautam, Manager – Marketing from T.I.M.E. i.e. Triumphant Institute of Management Education Pvt. Ltd. conducted 'Career Orientation Programme' for students of classes 11th and 12th with special emphasis on preparation for competitive examinations organized by public as well as private enterprises for staff selection. He administered an aptitude test designed by his institute, 'Time Talent Search Exam'. The test was for one hour with objective type questions from Quantitative Ability, Reasoning, English Language, General Awareness etc.

कवीर जयंती महोत्सव

28 जून 2018 को संत शिरोमणि कबीर जी की जयंती के उपलक्ष्य में आनंदालय में अंतर्विद्यालय प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया।



जिसमें आणंद, विद्यानगर के अतिरिक्त वडोदरा के विद्यालयों के विद्यार्थियों ने भी भाग लिया। कबीर साहित्य को आधार बनाकर सुलेखन, एक पात्रिय अभिनय, दोहा लेखन, दोहा गायन, साखी, पद गायन एवं मंचन जैसी प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया। इन प्रतियोगिताओं का मुख्य उद्देश्य विद्यार्थियों को बहुलवादी संस्कृति के प्रति कबीर के साहित्य से अवगत कराना तथा साथ ही वैज्ञानिक कवि कबीरदास जी की वर्तमान में प्रासंगिकता को आत्मसात करना था।



प्रथम, द्वितीय और तृतीय स्थान प्राप्त करने वाले विद्यार्थियों को पुरस्कार से सम्मानित भी किया गया। इसी उपलक्ष्य में शिक्षकों के माध्यम से विद्यार्थियों में कबीर दर्शन एवं दृष्टिकोण को स्थापित करने की वैचारिक क्रांति लाने का प्रयास विद्यालय के प्रधानाचार्य जी श्री निशेश सिन्हा जी द्वारा किया गया।



जिसमें लेखक डॉ माणिक मृगेश जी, डॉ अनुभा नेगी जी, डॉ सीमा राठौर जी ने अतिथियों की भूमिका को निभाते हुए शिक्षकों और विद्यार्थियों को कबीर द्वारा बताए मार्ग पर चलने हेतु प्रेरित किया।

