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Good-touch Bad-touch workshop

Learning all about the proper and improper touches

Buniyaad teachers conducted a workshop on Good and Bad touch for the parents in their respective nurseries. The teachers explained the perils of this menace faced by children and how to prevent it. They also explained how parents have to be attentive to changes in their children and listen patiently when they report anything strange happening to them. The parents raptly listened and raised appropriate questions to clarify their doubts. The event was well-attended in all the nurseries.

Buniyaad orientation

Buniyaad’s Orientation Program was held on 10th and 11th June for this scholastic year. With new teachers being inducted the entire teaching staff were oriented to the refurbished syllabus of the current scholastic year. training was imparted to improve efficiency and effectiveness in the implementation of the curriculum.

Ms. Vinita Nadkarni and Ms. Pradhan from the Institute of Comprehensive Education – SIES, Matunga conducted a workshop for our teachers on ‘Teaching English Alphabet Writing skills & Phonetics’ to nursery children along with number recognition, counting skills, etc.



For more pictures:

http://www.buniyaad.org.in/activities_intraclass19.html

Editorial Initiative

Buniyaad joins hands with VMT in the fight against cancer

Every year Buniyaad undertakes a socially relevant campaign for their editorial initiative. After ‘Plastic Ban’ in 2018, this year in Buniyaad the initiative was on spreading awareness about Breast and Cervical Cancer among women. The parents of Buniyaad's students and other women from the neighbourhood participated in this campaign. The event was done in collaboration with Vasanta Memorial Trust (VMT), an NGO working for prevention of Cancer.

VMT has been providing support for treatment, detection and prevention of cancer for the past 25 years reaching out to people from all walks of life.



In an engaging and enjoyable Story telling workshop Ms. Veena and Ms. Vasumita from Kathalaya - The House of Stories, Mumbai, taught our teachers how to be better story tellers using intonations, actions and props. Team Buniyaad is grateful to all these experts for sharing their valuable resources with us.



When Team Buniyaad approached VMT with the idea for the campaign they gladly extended their support by offering to create awareness of cancer in **two** phases—

- 1) A presentation in all the 9 Buniyaad nurseries
- 2) Free cervical cancer screening at their centre in Powai.

The first phase of the campaign kick started with the presentation which was conducted by **Ms. Jaya Krishnan** who oversees the Trust's activities in Mumbai and by other volunteers from VMT. The presentation covered the following salient features:

- Causes of breast and cervical cancer
- Early detection of breast cancer through self-examination
- Prevention through lifestyle changes
- Support and treatment
- Screening information for cervical cancer at the center



The presentation was well-attended by many women. Though many aspects regarding cancer were new to them they were quick to grasp the gravity of the disease but felt reassured when Ms. Krishnan explained that cancer could be prevented by early detection of certain warning signs like lumps in the breast, sudden metabolic changes, weight loss, etc.



Early detection of breast cancer through self-examination was well explained through slides. A few parents who were hitherto unaware that cancer could be detected through self-examination expressed their surprise and asked relevant questions about the same. Some parents shared their personal experiences about friends or family who had been detected with cancer and sought details of support mechanism to cope with the situation. The session was very interactive with the women coming up with doubts and seeking explanation on technical and medical terms. It was heartening to see how well they received the message as

evidenced through an elder woman participant who said she would share all the information with her grand daughter and urge her to undergo the screening.



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As a follow up to the presentation the women were offered free Cervical cancer screening in the Powai center of VMT. The participants were provided with a letter from Buniyaad the bearer of which can avail a screening procedure. They were allowed to take a guest from their home or neighbourhood for the screening.



The center has qualified visiting doctors who do the screening. A few specific dates were given to the women so they could choose the day convenient to them. The teachers of Buniyaad also played a big role in trying to convince the parents to attend the screening. Some of our nursery teachers have taken the effort to go along with the women to the center. We are happy to share that about 65% of the mothers attended the screening at the center.

Ms. Krishnan, the trustee of VMT who has successfully conducted many such campaigns before was happy with this noble initiative of Buniyaad to reach out to these women. She was glad that the talks were well received by the parents and lauded the teachers' effort to make sure the women availed the screening facility as well. She took this opportunity to thank Team Buniyaad for the excellent coordination for the programs.

The success of the campaign can be understood when many teachers and parents shared their opinion that this campaign should be made an annual event so many women could benefit from this initiative. Buniyaad is proud to have associated with VMT for such a noble initiative.

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Independence Day and Rakshabandhan

Bonds of brotherhood



The festivities of Buniyaad academic year started with the double celebration of Independence day and Rakshabandhan in all the nurseries. The children, as part of the celebrations enthusiastically came dressed in tricolour clothes and national leaders.



Team Buniyaad had provided materials to make their own Rakhis. The children prepared their own kite-shaped rakhis bearing details of the Indian flag. The importance behind the two big events - of loving the country as well as treating each other as brothers and sisters was explained by the teachers. The idea behind the fun was to foster a sense of patriotism as well as brotherhood.



The children in some of our nurseries were delighted to share the fun with our Corporate Sponsors from **Xoriant Solutions Pct. Ltd. Mr. Shankul Deshmukh** and his colleagues who participated in the fun activities celebrated on the twin occasion. They sang, played and partook in the rakhi-making activities along with the children, posing happily for pictures and hearing out their stories and rhymes. To quote Mr. Deshmukh and his team, "It was an amazing experience. We were happy and it was beautiful to see the emotions changing in their faces. We were also impressed as to how the teachers interacted with the kids and honestly loved how the teachers were deeply involved in the activities". They brought gifts for the children and

distributed them to the delight of the young kids making the event a memorable one for all included.

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Teacher's Day

A Teacher educates the minds and enriches lives



Teacher's day was celebrated across all Buniyaad nurseries with enthusiastic participation of the children. At the outset, they were made to understand by the teachers why Teacher's day is celebrated followed by activities. Children made a painting with multi colored hand imprints. Cute little colorful palms became leaves of the tree in a chart paper. This was then presented to the teachers by the tiny hands themselves that made them. Class picture with painted tree and sweet distribution at the end completed the celebration.

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Class activities

Team Buniyaad makes learning a wholistic experience with value education as an integral part of the curriculum. Every activity is fun and everyday is a celebration. The part the teachers play in shaping up these young children cannot be stressed enough. These pictures will take us through their everyday experience as students of Buniyaad,



Stressing the importance of daily hygiene



Learning colors and shapes



Teaching colors through everyday objects. Students come dressed in the color they are being taught that day



Meal time is the most important part of the day as children are taught to eat on their own and the significance of a healthy diet

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Learning becomes easier and fun through visual aids. Our teachers prepare colourful posters to teach children important life lessons and impart values

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Children dress up as Radhas and Krishnas and celebrate Janmashtami at their nurseries

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