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“Intelligence plus character is the goal of true education and the function of education is to teach one to think intensively and critically.”

Children, the future stalwarts of the society need education with right skills to contribute to the development of the nation. And in making a loyal citizen, the school plays a predominant role. According to the Global partnership for Education, the school provides a balanced education, which helps to promote a child’s psychological and mental growth. Besides academics, children are exposed to a wide range of activities through which the important life skills are imparted.

It is education that paved way for technological development and now the digital advancements has significantly contributed to the field of education. Regardless of the city, country, or continent that you live in, you can share opinions and ideas with others across the border, through a wide range of digital communication channels.

Technology has brought the class room to the living room of the learners. The academic year 2020-21 could be successfully completed equipping children with curricular and co curricular activities amidst the disastrous pandemic.

MENTAL ASPECT

Mental health is a state of wellbeing where pupils can meet their learning potential, coping up with normal stress. The school promotes it as a core role in education enabling students to flourish in their education journey. It strengthens their will power and builds resilience against adversity.

We provide plethora of activities that assert the participation of all students in various fields of education considering their areas of interest. We believe in the impact of ‘learning by doing, getting hands on experience and activity-based learning.’

Subject Enrichment activities conducted in virtual classes stood as proof for the connection between the enrichment activities and academic success. Level wise, students practised mathematical skills, prepared different models, performed experiments and presented language programmes.

Special on line Vedic Maths sessions were conducted to improve focus, memory and concentration that will enable children to be good at calculation with speed and accuracy.

Every classes from III – XII took up their tests using google tools after the completion of concept or chapter. Periodical pen pater tests were conducted for classes IX-XII and students were continuously assessed.

Reading day was observed virtually. Level wise students uploaded videos with loads of information. A live programme was telecasted to students of classes VI-XII. A power-packed performance was given by the participants ranging from Book review, Idioms and expressions, Fun of the fantasy world, Tips to reading comprehension etc.

To enhance and establish the literary skills of the students, they were asked to give their creative contribution in the form of articles, poem, puzzles, story and drawing on the theme 'Becoming One' in English, Tamil or Hindi which were selected and published in the students' e magazine Viswawahini.

SOCIAL ASPECT

The school helps in the socialising aspect of a child. Apart from getting self-awareness, they get evolved with social awareness and construct the ability to communicate, make friends, manage disagreements, recognize peer pressure, and team work. The students are exposed to diverging views and learn to get adapted to the transitions positively.

Students from preprimary to senior secondary, presented variety of virtual programmes on all red letter days in calendar highlighting its significance with guidance and support of parents.

The online celebration of festivals and functions were taken up with utmost sincerity through which the core values of Bharath's tradition and culture were infused.

The contribution of dress materials from students were given to the inmates of the home for the destitute run by the government.

Alumni and some parents extended a helping hand to pay the term fees for the needy.

Physical Aspect

A child goes through various physical development since its birth. While home provides a restricted outlet, in school, a child can channelise his energy into more sociable avenues. They participate in various sporting activities like Football, Throwball, Kho Kho, Badminton, Chess etc. All these activities boost the physical growth of a child. In fact, some of the best athletes in the world nurtured their talents in school, then went on to become professionals.

When the students of higher class turned to school in the beginning of the calendar year, they were given pranayama practice sessions and physical exercise classes to boost their stamina.

Everyday routine of video packages of physical activities were posted by the Physical Education department for the students of other levels. Appreciations were received from the parents' for the concern showed by the school.

Even during the lockdown period, students, parents and staff performed yoga on International Yoga day. A live show was streamlined, with students performing different asanas explaining its benefits. A briefing on Yoga and Surya Namaskar exemplified the importance of following the new life style to attain good health.

Overall Development

Some years back, schools were only meant for academics. But in the modern schooling setting, a child learns more than just Mathematics, Science, History, Languages, Politics and Arts. They are equipped with knowledge and skills, designed to help them develop a mind of their own. In this approach, children are taught how to think independently. A child's imagination is allowed to run its course, instead of being guided to think in a certain way.

Learning begins immediately after a child is born. Early education provided by pre-school programs can help to provide a solid and consistent educational foundation. From there, the child will join a senior school, where their learning will continue. By the time a child is joining college, they have already acquired vital skills, which will help them in all aspects of their lives.

We don't compromise our promise of giving man-making education even during the pandemic situation. All through the year the hub of activities ascertained that the students get physical, intellectual, talent and spiritual development along with patriotism and love of God.

Students from Class I to XII took up different Art Integration activities. Students presented their creativity in different forms like dance, drama, music, drawing, craft work, seminar and PPT along with the syllabus. They also took up the pairing state Kashmir in the same.

Students from II std. to XII std. took part in various competition organised virtually and won many prizes in the academic year 2020-21. They brought accolades to the school. To mention a few...

A Student of class II participated in the Drawing Contest on Space organised ISRO and won Appreciable Performance Certificate. Another from II std. competed in the National level drawing contest, organised by Centre for Indian Art Resources and Training and won National Child Artist Award.

A student of class V appeared for the Trigger the Spark online module organised by Vaayusastra- an IIT Madras ed tech start up programme and got selected, won the Guinness certificate and promoted to the researchers crew.

A student of class IV won International rank in Zenith Olympiad. 20 students got recognised with International Rank, Distinction and Gold medals in Science Olympiad Foundation.

2 children participated in Bharatha Peruvizha organised by Guinness World Record Attempt. Story telling contest, etc. Class V student was recognised with Rank of Star Range in Silambam offered by Dolphin Silambam Academy.

FINAL THOUGHTS

‘A school is a temple of transformation where the whole individual is chiselled with care and faith.’

Without a doubt, schooling and education, in general, are important agents of change. The education, skills, and information acquired in school help to improve livelihoods, enhance social skills, contribute to social stability, promote child development, improve our societies, and drive long-term economic development. Hence, whether it is about financial security, commanding respect, family stability or community development, proper schooling leaves an indelible mark in the upbringing of any child. The importance of school can never be undervalued whatever changes happen in the world.