

चंद्रेया वार्ता



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Mentors' Magic GE Visit

It was a perfect New Year Gift. They came and swept the students away with their charm. The GE mentors visited the Okhla, Bridge Course centre on January 6. They came loaded with New Year wishes, visions and gifts. Yarns, Yogta, Vipav and seven other mentors from GE enthralled the students and appreciated their work.

Mentoring is a participatory process for developing a sustainable and empowered work culture and GE excelled. Thank you GE for walking the extra mile! VIDYA is grateful for the wonderful gifts and generous donation for warm jackets for the students.



Mentors and students with Dr. Rikha Chatterjee, Vice Chairperson, VIDYA

Bal Vihar, New Delhi

Ready to Read

With the aim to improve the child's reading capability, a workshop on 'Developing Reading Skills' was conducted in early January. As a result, one in the morning assembly, each day one child is assigned a portion in English to read. This reading session is followed by an evaluation by the volunteers. Let each VIDYA child be enabled to read at least basic English.

Leadership Lessons

The 63rd Republic Day of India is an important milestone not only for the nation but also for VIDYA students.

Every year on this day besides dancing and singing patriotic songs, a head boy and a head girl are duly elected in the school. This is an activity to teach the children that India has strong democratic roots and VIDYA too believes in electing its leaders. The elected leaders then select a council of students to run the school on the sacred national principles of Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity.



Congratulations young leaders!

The VIDYA School, Gurgaon

The New Year was ushered in with the good news that six students have qualified for the next round of Science Olympiad. VIDYA is proud of their achievements and wishes them success in the new venture.

Workshops

Some important workshops were held for the teachers during the winter break. Zal Daxar conducted a session on Lesson Mapping on January 9. Raj Nambissan held a session on Values on Life-skills on January 11. Meenakshi Roy organized a workshop on Differentiated Teaching Techniques on January 12. Earlier in late December, Meenakshi Roy and Raj Nambissan attended a workshop for leaders in education. The topic was Transformational Leadership conducted at IIT Delhi in partnership with Edu Excellence.

Visitors

Peter Simon from the Monsoon Trust was given a traditional welcome by the students when he visited the school on January 18. He planted a tree and went around interacting with the students briefly and appreciating the infrastructure. He has assured to be in touch with VIDYA with his guidance, suggestions and possible sponsorships.



Natalie and William Comber visited the school on January 23. We are grateful for their regular visits and support.

Chris Harrison from Leaders' Quest visited the school to know more about VIDYA and its operation. We look forward to hearing from Harrison soon.

English Olympiad

An English Olympiad was held on January 19. This is a first at VIDYA and 108 students participated.

Celebrations

Lohri, a festival heralding the new harvest season was celebrated in all VIDYA schools with fun and frolic. The children enjoyed a feast of popcorns, groundnuts and sweets on January 12.

Murlika Community

A Health Camp organized by Cancer Patients Aid Association on January 18 was a great success. The community women and children participated whole-heartedly. VIDYA is grateful to Dr. Neelima Bhatia for bringing health awareness in the community regularly.



VIDYA Mumbai

Get Set Go!

Mumbai Marathon

VIDYA was once again a proud participant in the ninth Standard Chartered Marathon held on January 15. The all girl contingent representing VIDYA set the tone for 'Year of the Girl Child' at VIDYA Mumbai. With over 4000 participants from India and all around the globe, Mumbai Marathon provides an outstanding platform for NGOs to raise awareness and funds for the marginalized.



Run baby run!

ADCI Prudential and BICI ran for VIDYA by fielding corporate challenge teams for the second year in a row. Air India, Capita, Deloitte, HDFC and other corporate partners also supported in the VIDYA cause to Educate-Empower-Transform the less privileged. Team VIDYA thanks all the friends and well-wishers.

VIDYA Bangalore

Shashisya Yash continues to make great progress in its programmes at Gettigere High School. Along with regular academics and computer curriculum, great emphasis has been on career counselling for the students by the Red Compass team.

In a field trip to Agastya International Foundation in Kappam, Andhra Pradesh, the students learnt about different medicinal plants and environment. It was an amazing trip for the slum children where the highlights was a shower in the bathroom!

They also built models of the wind-powered cars. VIDYA is grateful to Gyan, Uday, Karjaji and Veena Mehta for making this Kappam visit memorable.

Feedback

"We love it, your newsletter looks great, it is so regular and informative". GE Team

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