

"A leader is one who demonstrates what's possible".

-Mark Yarnell

Dear Parents,

We have had a very successful start to the year and a fantastic two months with the children! The children have done a great job at settling into their new environment and adapting to the routines of the school. They have established good relationships with their peers and the adults that they interact with. The teachers have demonstrated excellent patience and perseverance and they have done a fantastic job at helping all the children settle into the school. They have also been receptive towards the needs of the children and the parents.

Given that all the children have settled into their classes, the teachers have begun serious implementation of the curriculum in all the different areas of learning. We have already noticed many children making good progress towards achieving their targets and it's very encouraging to see their enthusiasm and love for learning. It's this positive attitude we want to develop and inculcate in our children!



Grand Parents' Day

The 11th of July was a day to honour the Grandparents. What children need most are the essentials that grandparents provide in abundance. They give unconditional love, kindness, patience, humor, comfort and the lessons of life. There is a need to respect them and love them. Grandparents were invited to take part in various activities such as games, entertainment and involvement in creative art.

Children made some wonderful tokens to express their love and affection for Grandparents as these moments would be cherished forever. We thank all the Grandparents for their whole hearted participation and enthusiasm to have made it for the day.



Poetry Competition

Poetry is a language that says more and says it more intensely than does ordinary language. In all ages, poetry has been regarded as important because it draws on the senses which give deep access to memories and feelings.

On the 25th of July, the children of Nursery, Reception, PP1 and PP2 portrayed their literary skill by presenting short poems of their choice. Their efforts were very much appreciated. We would continue to encourage the children to come forward and exhibit their talent and skills as these are the little steps towards creating 'Leaders of tomorrow'.



Parent Volunteers

The students of PP1 and PP2 had some exciting times at school when they saw the parents of some of their fellow classmates walk into the classroom to discuss the culture, diversity and food preferences of various countries. It was indeed a great experience to watch the excitement among the children when they spent some special moments with their classmates' parents at school. We look forward to parents' continued support in volunteering their time at school.

Something worth knowing!

Child development is a multidisciplinary subject. It draws on various academic fields such as psychology, sociology, neuroscience, and genetics. Every child is different from the other. The normal or average child does not exist. The parent plays a vital role in the upbringing of the child and is also responsible for providing the child with good educational standards and care. From the moment a child is born, he is entirely dependent on the adult to meet all his basic needs. The key to understanding child development is 'wholeness'.

Our society is made up of different cultures and religions. Children from different cultures and different societies develop in their own diverse ways and yet they all turn into secure and successful individuals.

We must always remember that even a baby is a person and is a 'whole human being' from the moment he is born. To gain a better understanding of child development it is essential to view a child as a 'whole' and at the same time, it is also vital to keep a close check on particular 'areas' of the child's development in order to check the progress of the child. **We must remember that every child is different and each individual child develops and grows at his own pace.** Not all children reach their same point on the continuum at the same time, or in similar ways. But every child moves along on that continuum from the time they are born and acquire new skills. **This does not determine the intelligence of the child.**

The Holistic approach focuses on seeing children as 'whole' people. The development of a child can be studied under the following six headings

- Physical development ● Intelligence development ● Language development
- Emotional development ● Social development ● Spiritual development

Every child reaches his milestones at different stages in his life and develops in his own distinctive pattern which is unique to him. Children across the world experience similar sequences of development but in different ways and stages depending on their culture and background.

It is essential to provide the child with a strong and secure childhood as this is what shapes the adulthood of the individual.

The important thing is to remember 'not to compare' our children as each child is very unique!

Events for August 2014

Independence Day celebrations: 14 August

Open Forum: 22 August

Elocution Competition: 28 August

Ganesh Chaturthi holiday: 29 August

Looking forward to another fantastic month ahead!

Warm Regards,

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