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Type of Education	No of Children
ECE	7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aruna, Shivaleela, Yumana Competent to recite rhymes. • Savitha , Srilatha, Sony can tell English and Telugu alphabets. 	
Bridge course (RSTC)	36
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhumika, Bavana, Able to read and write Telugu and English Alphabets • Revathi Can tell numbers from 1-500. • Pavani, Shivani Able to recite rhymes, tell good habits, identify pictures and can do moral story telling. 	
Government High school	14
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meghana, Ramani All the high school girls can read and write in Telugu. • Only some of the girls – Komala, Ramani, Krishnaveni, Shruthi and Gayathri –can read and write English well. • Sruthi, Krishnaveni The girls can do Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division of numbers. Also can do small calculations on their own. 	
Primary	47
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the children can read and write in Telugu • Mamatha of the girls can write stories based on the picture shown to them. • Priyadarshini Can read small English words. • Laya, Savitha Proficient in doing additions and subtraction of numbers. • Children draw well and are capable of preparing flash cards. 	
Government Residential Schools (K G B V)	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the children can read and write in Telugu • Vennela of the girls can write stories based on the picture shown to them. • Swapna Can read small English words. • Ankitha Proficient in doing additions and subtraction of numbers. • Ellamma Children draw well and are capable of preparing flash cards. 	
Convents/ Private schools	0
Special school/open school	0
Vocational course	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The only girl, Ramadevi, is enrolled into Nurse Training. • She can read and write Telugu. • She can also draw well. • She undertook training at Yashoda Hospitals for a month and now she is undergoing long-term training at Kukatpally and this residential training lasts for 2 years. 	
Total	102



1. CAMPAIGNS

STREET PLAY

Date: 07-06-2012

Sannihita RBH children performed different street plays on the issues which were their main challenges in the life which they had to deal in their everyday life. The issues are child labor, child abuse, violence, poverty, and humiliation. Home team trained these children by making them come out with their own scripts by discussing those issues in a general situational basis and came out with scripts which were giving the message. The objective is to create awareness to stop child labor, abuse of girl children and discrimination against girls for creating awareness among the natives.



Figure 1: Mary, Krishnaveni singing while Nagalaxmi, Savitha, Sabitha, Ranuka, Ramadevi providing chorus during Street play

Locations: Chilakalaguda, Bible house, Bansilalpet, Pottisreeramulunagar and Tankbund

Children at Street Play: Ramadevi, Renuka, Mary Kumari, Lalitha, V.Savitha, P.Swapna, K. Savitha, Saraswathi, Nagalaxmi, Vennela, Meghana, Harika, Indumathi, Mamatha, Jyothi, Ankitha and Ellamma



Figure 2: Meghana explaining the advantages of rainbow homes for street children while renuka, Indumathi, Jyothi, Nagalaxmi watching

OPINIONS OF THE CHILDREN

Mary Kumari: Initially I hesitated to act on the streets before the public. My home team explained the objective and the counselling of Rama madam, encouragement of my friends made me feel confident and responsible and I started feeling good about the situation.

Through the play we tried to make it clear that various situations which are influencing our lives and forcing us to live in miserable life in the early stages of childhood. There is every need to understand and provide the right to childhood to every child. I am very much proud to be a part of this kind of play which generate awareness among the viewers and can bring some change in some of the children who are still suffering.

Saraswathi: Though I felt shy at first, I prepared for the play. We played it at Chilakalaguda, Mettuguda and Bansilalpet to create awareness among the children who are rag pickers or child labor and their parents/guardians. We want all those children to be with us at homes like ours and get a better life and future.

P.Swapna: I felt shy to play on street but I did it as I felt it is my responsibility to promote the benefits of home for children like me to get a good life.

Ramadevi: We felt good after some children and their parents asking for the details of our home to enrol. We observed so many little children on the roads without proper care, nutrition and education. I will be glad to do anything like these to bring a positive change in their lives.

Lalitha: Initially I was shy to play on the roads but with the zeal of the home team I felt it as my responsibility too to create awareness among the children and their parents/guardians about the precious life we are enjoying at home compared to them.

Meghana: I was nervous to play on the streets but with the support from home team we played on streets. So many children are gathering waste papers on the streets for a living. I felt very sad for them and I wish they too can join us for a better life. During our visits on streets, we find some of our old mates Salini, Sailaja, Sravani, Laxmi and **Sravanthi** who left the Home and never returned. We asked them to come back but they rejected and left the place.

Nagalaxmi: I was amazed with the response from the viewers for our play. They appreciated our effort to bring change in



STREET PLAY-II

Date: 08-06-2012

Opinions of the children:

Saraswathi: We performed street plays in different streets of Secunderabad railway station and bus stations and got good responses from the viewers. They asked for the details of our rainbow homes and we explained the concept of the girls homes, vulnerability, priority, and issues that our home is facing and facilities we are providing to develop these girls.

Renuka: When we went to Secunderabad and started the song there was a huge gathering. The song we started is with pillalam mempillalam. Gathering was huge and they appreciated our effort to bring change in lives of so many children. Ganga and Aruna madam explained the gathered public clearly about the homes and their purpose and the care Sannihita home is taking to bring joy into the lives of these children.

Nagalaxmi: We felt elated for the appreciation we received from the gathering when we played on roads near Secunderabad railway station and bus station. Even buses are halted for some time to watch our show. We feel happy that we conveyed message to huge gathering.



Figure 3: Ramadevi, Renuka, Jyothi, Mamatha, Meghana playing a skit

Locations: Secunderabad railway station, Bus station and near Gandimysamma temple.

RALLY

Sannihita Parklane girls home organised a rally to demonstrate the negative impact of crackers on the environment.

While many children who are coming from middle, lower middle and higher classes are ready to spend money to buy crackers, our children kept a conscious effort to educate these children who are burning the money in the name of crackers. our children said we have to show our joy in winning the light against dark, good against bad by lighting the lamps, candles, and exchanging gifts, sweets and decorating the homes with bright colours and praying even god. But we need not burn money to acknowledge the victory – They distributed the pamphlet which briefs about these issues.

Opinions:

MaryKumari: Very happy for attending this rally promoting the negative effects of crackers and how we can make Diwali colourful without wasting money on noise creating crackers. Children actively participated and promoted through songs and dances too.

Lalitha: The rally went well with most of the spectators showed interest in knowing the purpose of our rally. Also the police and media cooperated us.



Figure 4: Home children Renuka, Debora, Jyothi, Komala, Bhumaika during the Anti-cracker procession



Children Participated in the Rally: Mary, Krishnaveni, Lalitha, Saraswathi, Meghani, Gayathri, Sunitha, bula, Ramya, Prasanna, Pujasri, Swapna, Nirajaya, Syamala and Renuka.



Figure 5: Lalitha, Mary, Meghana, Indumathi, Gayathri & Komala playing their part in the street show on evil effects of crackers

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Figure 6: Honourable guests on the stage



Figure 7: A beautiful dance performance that enthralled the audiences

The government of Andhra Pradesh, as part National Education Day, conducted a program at *BalBhavan*. Children from home attended the program. This event is aimed to promote Education for every child - It is every child's right and they should not be deprived of this right by making them beg, work or keeping them in an abusive conditions. - 'Help build a literate society'.



Figure 8: Home children Gayathri, Saraswathi, Krishnaveni, Jyothi, Krishnaveni-2, Sabitha&Mamatha at the meeting

Children attending this program include: Pujasri, Komala, Ramya, Mary, Lalitha, Krishnaveni, Ramani, Sunitha, Bula, Bhumika, E.Pavani, N.Bhavani, N.Shivani, Sritha, Revathi, Ramamma, Yamini, Jyothi, Indumathi, Mamatha, V.Savitha, K.Savitha, Shruthi, Priyadarshini, anitha, Mahalaxmi, Gayathri, Sudharani, Krishnaveni and Sripriya.

Opinions

Pujasri: Today I am very happy. The program attended by many dignitaries, IAS, IPS etc. They delivered speeches and told us the importance of education. The cultural activities, importantly Mimicry and Bharatanatyam, were very nice.

Bhumika: The speeches from the dignitaries are inspiring. We have seen many cultural activities there and are very nice, All the children are very happy seeing the programs like those.

Summer camp – children’s Participation

Date: 11-06-2012

Children who attending the program: Nagalaxmi, Vennela, Ankitha, Swapna, Renuka-1 and Ramulamma.

Some of the children from Sannihita Parklane home attended summer camps conducted by govt agencies and network partners. They have attended the camps at various RBHs in Hyderabad run by Network partner organisations. This gave them opportunity to see various programs run around the children and their issues. They also have learnt the program organising structures and capacities that they have to build in for their own selves.

The program included different cultural activities performed by the children. A girl sang a beautiful song to start the occasion. Later some children performed a group dance nicely for a song ‘Pillalam.. Mem pillalam..(We are the children)’. All the children enjoyed these performances.

In the summer our children from parklane home attended various programs that are cultural of its nature at various places. They have attended book exhibition, dramas in Lamakan, Music recitals in Harihara kala bhavan and Tyagaraya gana sabha. They also attended workshop on photography, and few public meetings on child labor, writers workshop. They have also visited other KGBV homes for the knowledge point of view as well as preparing themselves to move for higher classes.

In the summer, our Parklane home Girls visited police station, court and womens police station as part of the exposure.



SUMMER CAMP

Teachers: Vijaya Teacher the one who is showing children about Basket Making, and Ms. Jaya who taught children (Candle making), and Students from ICFAI University focussed on few girls who were slow learners

A computer master taught the children basic operational skills and music teacher also taught them songs.

Children have learnt things like craft works, basket preparation, candle making, woollen articles, paper articles preparation, dance training, spoken English, computer training etc. An exhibition is conducted to showcase the articles prepared by the children.



Figure 9: Viajaya Teacher explaining craft works to Meghana, Ramya, Amrutha, Jyothi, Sridevi Renuka and Anitha during their 45-day Summer camp

Children attending the program: K.Savitha, Anitha, Jyothi, Gayathri, Amturtha, Harika, Ramadevi, Kalpana, Meghana, Swapna, Saraswathi, Ganga Saraswati, May Kumari, Lalitha, Nagalaxmi, Shruthi, Vennela and Rajeswari.



Figure 10: Jaya teacher teaching candle making to Sruthi, Vennela, Swapna, Sabitha, Mahalaxmi and Jyothi during summer camp at home

Opinions of the children:

K.Savitha: It was a helpful program for me as I learnt to prepare two types of baskets, cell phone cover etc.

Anitha: I learnt the preparation of fruit basket.

Jyothi: I was taught the preparation of flower vase.

Gayathri: I learnt the preparations of flower vase, fruit basket and normal basket. I was also taught the reparation of flowers and TV cover using wool.

Amrurtha: I learnt to prepare the temple basket.

Harika: I learnt preparation of different types of baskets for different occasions.

Ramadevi: I learnt preparing temple basket and fruit basket.

Kalpana: I prepared a basket during the program.

Meghana: I prepared basket and cell phone cover and now I am confident to repeat the same.

Swapna: I learnt preparation of basket and cell phone cover. Now I can prepare flowers using wool.

Ganga Saraswati: I can prepare the basket and I did learnt preparation of flowers using wool.

Mary: I learnt to prepare basket and woollen flowers.

Lalitha: I can prepare woollen flowers and cell phone cover now.

Nagalaxmi: I learnt preparing fruit basket as well as woollen flowers.

Shruthi: It was fun learning the preparation of woollen flowers and I really enjoyed it.

Vennela: I learnt the preparation of basket and woollen flowers.

Rajeswari: I learnt preparing flowers using wool and cell phone covers.



Figure 11: Various types' baskets prepared by the children during their craft work training as part of 45-day summer camp at home



MEDITATION

Opinions:

Debora: We did mediation in our home following instructions from the radio. It is the first time for all of us. I felt peaceful after the meditation. Some of the children got sleepy while doing the meditation.

V.Krishnaveni: We were told that meditation makes us lot healthier. We did follow the instructions given by the instructor. I felt very soothing after the meditation. I was asked how I felt after the meditation and I responded that I recollected my memories.

Ramani: Three teachers came to home for teaching us how to meditate. They provided us the instructions tape and we did meditation for half-an-hour. Some of the girls slept while doing meditation. After the completion of the session they asked us how we felt after the mediation. I told them that I felt as if I am flying in the air.

Prasanna: I felt very pleasant after the meditation session.

Komala: A meditation session was held at our home. We were told that meditation sharpens our brains. The instructions were played through a radio and we followed during the session. I felt very peaceful after the meditation.

V.Savitha: I felt as if I am in a dream state and in that I went to my home. I felt better after the mediation with better relief and peace of mind.



Figure 12: Home children Amrtuha, Bhagya, Debora, Komala, Mamatha, Sangeetha, Srilatha, Aruna, Laya, Vennela, Beula, Rajeswari, Pujasri, Anitha, Jyothi, Sony, Yamuna, Ramulu, Sailaja, Ramya, Varalaxmi and Divya among the meditating children at home

EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

RAKSHA BANDHAN

Date: 02-08-2012



Figure 13: Devi, Harika, Mamatha, Komala, Jyothi, Pavani, Divya, Saipriya, Bhavaniand mahalaxmi during Rakhi celebrations at home

Rakshabandhan is celebrated in home as a joyful celebration. All the children got dressed up with their prepared themselves win their best possible way with neat clothes and other accessories. They wished between themselves and the team members for the best of the festival. Home team prepared special menu for the occasion with sweets and other food items which arouse the hunger of the children.



Figure 14: Komala tying Rakhi to Divya

Five members from 'Wake-up world' organisation visited Home and they brought Rakhis and snacks for the children. Children enjoyed their visit and tied those Rakhi's to the wrists of the visiting members and served sweets. The celebrations spread till late evening as some of the children went to Temple and distributed *prasadam*.

Opinions of the children:

Komala: Today we are very happy. I tied Rakhi to Gangadharannayya(brother). Later in the evening, I went to Shirdi Sai baba temple along with Ganga Akka. We distributed the Prasad to all the children.

Prasanna: To day I helped the children in making arrangements for the day and went to temple along with Ganga Akka. I tied Rakhi to Gangadharannayya.

Shruthi: I wore the traditional dress half-saree for the day and helped some other children too in their dressing.

Pujasri: I dressed up for the special day of Rakhi in neat dress and tied Rakshabandhan to donors who came along with Rajasekhar uncle. I was very happy.

Debora: Today we celebrated Rakshabandhan festival in our home with much joy.



FRIENDSHIP DAY CELEBRATIONS

Date: 05-08-2012

Team: Roopa, Ganga

Only few of the students know about Friendship day. So the team gathered all the children the night before and told them the importance of this day and how it is celebrated. Friendship bands were prepared by Komala and Savitha and distributed among all the children. All the children woke up early in the morning and got themselves readied. They wished each other and tied the friendship bands to their close friends in home. In the evening, donors Supriya and Rajasekhar visited home and tied friendship bands to all the children. They spent some times with the children enjoying their songs and acts.

Opinions:

Pujasri: To day is a happy day as we celebrated friendship day and tied friendship bands prepared by Komala and Savitha for us. In the evening rajasekhar and supriyaakka visited us and spent some time talking with us.

Shruthi: Every year I used to be at my native home during friendship day. But this time I stay at Sannihita home and celebrated the day with my friends here. Though it is happy that some of my new friends tied friendship bands, I missed my old friends.

Debora: I never celebrated the friendship day when I was at my native home. But I celebrated it this year at Sannihita home and it is very happy moment for me as all my friends at home are present. So many little girls and friends tied the bands to my hand. Bering te first time like this, I enjoyed it a lot.

Bhumika: I never heard of such day before coming here. I enjoyed it very much celebrating friendship day along with my friends at Sannihita home. Also in the evening donors Rajaskhar and Supriyaakka visited the organisation and tied bands for all of us. I liked them very much and I preserved them too.

JANMASTAMI (KRISHNASTAMI)

Date: 10-08-2012

Team: Ganga and Roopa

Home is decorated for the celebration of Krishnastami (Celebrating the birth of Lord Krishna). Home team members Ganga and Roopa madeup Saritha as Krishana, Divya as Radha and Sivaleela, Aruna,Susmita being Gopikas. Small pot was decorated with cotton as if it is like a pot filled with butter and was hanged rom ceiling. Special sweets were prepared for the festival.

Sannihita office staff Ms.Rani, Ms. Aruna and Ms. Sridevi visited the Home and wished the children. They explained about the festival and about Lord Krishna. Children performed some traditional dances depicting the stories of Krishna.



Figure 15: Saritha as Krishna and Sushmitha, Divya, Aruna, Shivaranjini portraying as Gopikas during Krishnastami celebrations organised at home

Opinions:

Ganga: We were not aware of the festival till the late hours of day before. We don't have any clarity on what and how to celebrate the festival. We discussed among ourselves and prepared Saritha as Lord Krishna with the minimum accessories we have with us. But the output we got was much more than we anticipated and we are happy for that.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Date: 15-08-2012 Team: Ganga, Rupa

All the children and the home team members assembled by morning. Home team members Rupa and Ganga addressed the children and briefed the importance of day. Some of the news articles on the eve of Independence Day were readout by team members. The high school going children of home went to Kalasiguda School by 7 AM in the morning to attend the program there. Home is decorated with colour papers and other decorative items prepared by the children. The clear ground in the



Figure 16: Children saluting the Flag on Independence day celebrations at school

premises is cleaned and Indian map is drawn along with the Independence Day wishes using colour powders. Flag is brought and prepared for the hoisting.

The Head Mistress of the primary school, Mrs. Prafula hoisted the flag and addressed the children. She explained the importance of 15th August, the Independence Day of India. Later biscuits and chocolates were distributed among the children.



Figure 17: HM Mrs.Prafula and teachers saluting the hoisted flag with children following the suite

during the program conducted at home on 15th. Children performed with dances and donors who attended the program distributed some chocolates and biscuits brought along. Also some representatives from various govt. like police and non-government organisations like Lions' club graced the occasion distributes some sweets and snacks for the children.

On the eve of this day, some programs-games like Kho-kho and Kabaddi as well as quiz program - for the high school children were conducted the day before. For primary school children competitions in



musical chairs, skipping, frog jump, lemon&spoon and running. The winners were announced and honoured



Figure 18: Home children attentive during Independence Day meeting at home



Figure 19: Home girls performing dance during Independence Day



HEALTH CAMP

Date: 24-08-2012

Team: Ganga

A health camp was conducted for the children in primary schooling and EC at Kalasiguda. Home team members Ganga, Roopa and Vijayalaxmi took the home children for the camp.



Figure 20: Komala with doctors during Health Camp



Figure 21: Home girls Maheswari, Amrutha, Jyothi, Rajeswari and Pavani attentively listening to the doctor during health camp

Opinions of children on Health camp:

P. Debora: We are happy that a health camp was conducted in our school and all the home children were there for free health check. Some of the girls are prescribed to use eye wear.

Ramulamma: The health camp is nice for children like us. This camp covers checking of eyes, dental, blood pressure etc. I was told to use eye drops thrice a day and should clean teeth well. All the attendees were given tooth paste and a brush

Komala: It was nice thing to have a complete health check-up for free. Some of the girls were given glasses for eye problems and some the children got their teeth cleaned.

V. Krishanaveni: It is a privilege for us to have this kind of camp held at our school. All the visiting doctors are cordial with the children and caring.

E. Prasanna: The camp was good and I was provided with spectacles for the detected problems in my eyes. I am very happy that the treatment is done at the earlier stages that too for free.

Priyadarishini: The camp was great and they checked our eyes, teeth along with general health check-up. Some remedies were provided for marital problems. For some illnesses and problems, the doctors provided address of their hospitals where the treat can be provided.

TEACHER'S DAY

Date: 05-09-2012

Team: Ganga, Roopa

Home teacher prepared the children for teacher's day celebrations at the school. Some of the primary school children were dressed in sarees to act like their teachers. Bhumika, Pavani and Saritha of RSTC were also dressed like teachers and prepared with some lessons. Home teachers Rupa and Ganga accompanied the children to their school where they have taken classes for their fellow students and teachers.



Figure 22: SPL girls enacting their teachers during Teachers' Day celebrations at Home: Savitha (as Radha Teacher-class teacher), Sabitha (as vijayalaxmi teacher-RSTC), E Pavani (as rupa teacher-RSTC), Bhumika (as Ganga teacher), Bhagyalaxmi, Mamatha (as HM), Indumathi, Sony (as Bhagyalaxmi teacher)



All the home children brought together the day before and were explained by Vijayalaxmi about the importance of Teacher's Day and Dr. S.Radhakrishnan, of whose remembrance teacher's day is celebrated. Also some news articles on Teacher's day were read out during the assembly on Teacher's day to keep the children informed. All the children enjoyed the day, especially those who participated in acts.

GANESH CHATURDHI

Date: 19-09-2012

The day started at home with all the children getting up early and made the home premises clean. Home girl Gayathri prepared an idol of Lord Ganesh made out of clay. Shruthi, Lalitha, Pujasri and some other girls prepared a beautiful shelter for keeping the idol and decorated it with leaves and flowers. Home team prepared some food dishes and arranged them before the idol as offering to the God.

Later all the team members and the home girls seated near the idol and prayed the God. Home team member Ms. Bhagya explained the story behind of celebrating *Ganesh Chaturdhi* and message of the festival to the children. They showed dedication and devotion towards the Puja and prayed the Lord for enriching their lives. Krishnaveni and Ramulamma praised the lord with their songs. The idol was kept in home for five days and on the final day it was immersed into water.

VIJAYA DASAMI

Date: 24-10-2012

Vijayadasmi or Dasshera is celebrated in the home. All the children woke up early in the morning. They cleaned and decorate their rooms with flowers for celebrations. A Puja program was arranged and all the children seated at the place. Team performed the puja and asked the children to recite some mantras and they did. In the afternoon, children prepared '*Bathukamma*' (Deity in the form of flower bouquet) for evening puja.

In the evening, a special snack on the occasion was prepared and served. Children were explained about the festival, and the way of playing *Bathukamma* – *Dancing, singing and clapping for traditional songs*.



Figure 4: Girls performing 'bathukamma' dance

Children then actively gathered and played *Bathukamma*. They danced and sang traditional songs. They thoroughly enjoyed playing it. Later the *bathukamma* is immersed into water as part of the tradition.

DIWALI

Date: 24-10-2012

All the children woke up early in the morning and decorated the home with flowers, auspicious mango leaves and rangolis. In the evening, a special sweet was served to the children.

Later, the children – Pavani, Sushmita, Yamuna, Saritha, Mounika and Jyothi along with others, prepared and arranged *diyas* (oil lamps made out of clay with a cotton thread to light in it) around home premises. It was a visual treat.



Figure 23: Pavani, Sushmita, Jyoti arranging diyas at home



As most of the children attended anti-cracker rally, they didn't ask home team for any kind of crackers. However, one of the donors had provided the children with some harm-less and less noisy crackers which were lit by the children. They enjoyed the day.



Figure 24: Home children celebrating the Diwali in a delightful mode



Figure 25: Yamuna, Sushmitha, Saritha, Mounika with the diyas

CHILDRENS DAY

Children's day was celebrated at home with all the children decorating the home. All the children got readied and went to their schools to attend the programs conducted there.

Later a drawing competition on 'gender equality' was conducted for the children and Shri. Satyanarayana of Lions Club selected best two artists-Saraswathi (1st) and Savitha(2nd) among them.



Figure26: ShriK.Satyanarayana addressing the children during children's day at home

In the evening, a program is organised and Shri. K.Satyanarayana, Inspector of Police, Mahankali P.S. is invited as chief guest. All the children and guests remembered Nehruji and his love for children. One of the girls, Priyadarshini delivered a speech on Pandit Nehru and why his birthday is celebrated as Childrens day. She also sang a song on Nehru. Parvathji from home team also educated the children about Nehru and Children.

Shri. Satyanarayana,in his speech, expressed his love towards children and he promised to help the children and home as and when they need it. Shri. Jalandhar goud,an accomplice with him, addressed the children and pointed the importance of celebrating national festivals like these in remembrance of great leaders. He also appreciated the efforts of Rainbow homes in building girls strong and focussed.

Later the police posed some question to the children about the home, their progress etc. They distributed fruits and chocolates to the children before leaving.



Figure 27: Priyadarshini Explaining the importance of day



VISIT TO SHILPARAMAM

Date: 01-05-2012



Figure 29: The Rural house during Sankranti festival – A Realistic states made out of clay



Figure 30: Children with Handmade puppets on display at Shilparam

Home team decided to take the children to Shilparamam as their outing this time. Shilparamam is a nice place with artistic sculptures depicting the rich heritage and culture of India. The lively statuettes erected here illustrate the life styles and the professions of rural India especially of the state of Andhra Pradesh. The live size clay idols built there attracts the attention with their life size and lively charm as if they are real personalities. Especially the children were excited and all of them tried to be photographed along with these images.

Attended home children:

Ganga saraswathi, Jyothi, Sunitha, Aarthi, Amrutha, Anitha, Navya, Lakshmi, B.Sony, V.Rekha, Harika, Laxmi, V.Durga, Pushpa, D.divya, Sridevi, Gayathri, Maha Lakshmi, Varalakshmi and K. Priyadharhini

Shilparamam also has a beautiful greenery and different play equipment for children to enjoy the visit. So the Home children spent their time playing with them while enjoying the pleasure of beautiful trees and well maintained gardens. During the lunch time, the children and staff gathered under a huge tree and had their lunch with the items brought for the occasion from home.

During their visit, children were excited to watch the artificial hills which are hard to recognise of their artificiality. They also find the crafts placed for sale at different stalls and the boating they enjoyed - really thrilling.

Team members accompanying the children: Bhagyalakshmi, Ganga (Teacher), Dhana (Home mother)

VISIT TO ZOO PARK

Date: 08-09-2012

Team: Bhagya Dhana, Swapna, Ganga, Roopa, and Joy.



Home children woke up early in the morning and readied for the visit to Zoo. The children were provided with new slippers and ID cards. The children then taken there by bus. They watched a big turtle, various types of monkeys, chimpanzee, foxes, giraffes, bear, huge elephants, tigers, lions and white tigers which are rare to find and the rhinos and hippos. They amazed watching these animals in live as they just have seen most of these animals either in photos or videos. This visit gave them the opportunity to see these creatures in skin. Children also enjoyed the lavish greenery and the forest like trees in the zoo. They played, danced and sang in the greens and enjoyed their tour. Lunch was offered to them at the zoo with the items brought from the home.



There was a special zone for snakes is there in the zoo and children visited the place and astonished to see so many varieties of snakes placed in glass chambers. Children observed different kinds of snakes at one place and they were keen to know more about each variety through the boards placed near each glass chamber.



MICHAEL VISIT



Figure 31: Mr. Michael chatting with Sushmitha, Jyothi, Anitha, Sangeetha in a joyous mode



Figure 32: Debora, Ramulamma, Sunitha, Prasannakumari, Saraswathi, Mamatha and performing a dance during Mr. Michael's visit to home Renuka

During his visit Mr. Michael interacted with the team and children. Children presented him with a beautiful welcome card designed by them and the bouquets of paper roses prepared by them. He enquired about the recent developments of the home. Home team explained the developments happened to the home and the children.

Sushmitha, Debora, Ramulamma, Sunitha, Mamatha, Saraswathi and Prasanna kumara entertained him with some dance performances. Lalitha prepared poetry for Michael. He appreciated their efforts and congratulated them.

Mr. Michael later interacted with the KGBV children and inquired about their education status and facilities. The children expressed their inconveniences they are facing at the new facility compared to Sannihita home. He noted the issues and promised to rectify them at the earliest.



Figure 33: Greeting prepared by home children for Mr. Michael



Figure 34: Mr. Michael interacting with KGBV students Lalitha, Saraswathi, Meghana, Vennela, Ankitha, Yellamma and Swapna



Figure 35: Ms. Anuradha explaining Komala's drawing kept on the wall to Mr. Michael while Gayathri and home mother Dhana watching



GALLERY



World Environment Day-Children planting at home



Tradition Prevails-Girls during Dassehra at home



Knowing about Police-Interaction with Police officials at the exhibition they organised at NTR Stadium, Hyderabad



Knowing the latest trends - Children watching the dresses at exhibition held at Necklace road



Fitness is the key - Children playing kho-kho game as part of games competitions conducted during Independence Day