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## Editorial

Dear Readers,

Warm greetings to you from WARDS Special School News Desk. We have begun this new school year with a lot of hope and new activities. We are very grateful to CGI Information Systems and Management Consultants Private Limited for coming forward to fund the setting up of the computer center . They have also helped us in procuring the bus for providing transportation for children to attend school.

# **April**

We conducted a summer camp for our children on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2019 at WARDS special school premises. The children and the staff enjoyed the summer camp with so many creative activities and fun activities. It gave us a chance to know our Children closely and also be one among them. We also visited Dreamland resort as part of the summer camp and had fun in the summer

heat. The summer camp ended with a lovely campfire, with lots of performances and a sumptuous dinner.



As the MP election was due on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2019, election officials visited our school along with the Electronic Voting Machines (EVM) and trained the staff and children how it works.



Teachers went on a survey in the month of April to educate and to create awareness to parents about sending special need children to school so that they can be assessed, trained and also given therapies according to their abilities. They covered many areas like J.B. Nagar, Kodihalli, Islampura, Ulsoor, Murugeshpalya, Thippasandra etc.



Due to this active and efficient survey there has been 17 new admissions. We have 58 children under 25 years of age and 8 children who are above 25 years.

## May

We had an orientation program for teachers between the  $27^{th}$  -  $30^{th}$  of May 2019 by Ms. Vasanthi. She has an experience over 25 years teaching the special needs children.

Under her able guidance we revamped our curriculum and learnt new techniques and methodologies. Teachers also took time to arrange their classrooms and also distributed the uniforms, bags, books and dairies for the children this year.





## June

This year transportation has been started after CGI helped us in getting a bus. It been a huge help as most of our children are using this service, they are attending school regularly and on time. This is the first year

our daily total strength of children has increased too.



Our children celebrated environmental day on the  $5^{th}$  of June 2019. World environment day is to spread awareness, to encourage people to take action and to protect environment.



We celebrated our Founder Late Mr. C.M. Kathavarayan Sir's birthday on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 with our children and their parents. Our Day started with a puppet show by Ms. Aarti Kathpalia from Tickles & Tales which our children thoroughly enjoyed, after

which there was a small program by our children who sang songs and performed two dances. The guests for the celebration were Mr. L.N. Hegde our joint secretary and Mr. Mutthuswamy.





Our faculty Mr. Bhaskar along with our senior students Nagaveni and Manikanta attended the computer training for the trainer at The Amba Core Center, Bangalore for a week from 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019. Amba uses adaptive teaching methodologies, information technology, peer to peer training (under supervision), AMBA economically empowers this community. They are without the necessary social or reasoning skills to work.

The computer training has already begun at WARDS but it will be officially inaugurated on the 30<sup>th</sup> of August 2019. Children do both computer and non computer activities.s



World Yoga Day was celebrated on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June at WARDS. It is basically to spread awareness about the importance and effects of yoga on the health of the people. The word 'Yoga' is derived from the Sanskrit word means to join or unite. Yoga is an ancient physical, mental and spiritual practice which gives calmness, peace, confidence and courage to people through which they can do several activities in a better way.



A group of young auditors from Fidelity financial national visited us on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019. They spent time with our children playing some fun games with them. The day's lunch was sponsored by them & each child received a goody bag from them.



#### Conclusion:

The school has begun in full swing and we are hoping to have an exciting year to take our vision forward. There are a lot of positive changes in the working and functioning of school. Physiotherapy & Speech therapy is happening thrice a week, dance class for children has started and is happening twice a week, yoga once a week and marathon running practice happens almost every day. We have many new plans and programs that we want to undertake this year for the welfare of our children. We thank you for your support and seek the same for the future.

Thanking You
WARDS Special School News Desk