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"Always strive to aim for the highest peak of the goals in life you have set, this way if you manage to reach even half way toward a goal, landing in the middle is not such a bad place to end up."

— Victoria Addino

Back in the year 2010, we had formed the association with an objective of working in the fields of Education, Health, Environment and Awareness. Since then; the association has been putting in sincere efforts to attain its goal; with the enduring response of the members and the college.

As I compose the fourth edition of our Newsletter, the victorious past of our association makes me feel proud but not contented; as the association still needs to strive to realize the milestone that was set in the year of formation

Believing in; *"Keep your face always toward the sunshine - and shadows will fall behind you"*; members relentlessly put in all the efforts to achieve the objectives of the association.

Few of the activities which are taken up as a permanent project are Summer camps for the under privileged, Distribution of Diwali goodies to the deprived and donations in cash and kind to the needy



In the year 2014, the association took up its activity of commencing summer camp at Balgram, Khanda Colony, in the month of April.

- ➔ The camp involved an array of activities and workshops lasting for two weeks. The activities taken up were *Greeting card making out of the waste, Paper flowers and paper vase, Mehendi basics, Crocia, thread embroidery, Bottle art, Aarti plate decoration and Wind chimes out of waste.*
- ➔ The children engaged themselves enthusiastically in whatever activity was taken up. They were excited to learn things made out of waste. The things used for the activities were newspapers, used bottles, paper plates, magazines, old ribbons and laces, grains, colours and other household stuff.
- ➔ Girls made a lovely Crocia pouch after learning basics. They valued each activity as they had planned to use those artifacts to decorate their house. Aesthetically painted Aarti plate is being used for auspicious functions.

Diwali Celebrations

5th Oct. With a lot of enthusiasm, the members of the association involved themselves in making Diwali of the under privileged merrier and happier. A lot many decorative articles were made such as diyas, aarti places, torans, festoons etc. these were then donated at Balgram and HB oldage home in New Panvel. Along with these articles sweets and savouries were also distributed.



workshop was uploaded on You Tube so as to motivate the children and generate interest in the activities that followed.

- Stationery was donated to the children from slums and the girls of Vatsalaya Trust, Sanpada.



Besides that a **dance was choreographed** and story narration was taken up. **Memory game and quiz on current issues** was conducted as well. **Shloka recital** was also taken up to prepare them for a competition.

- The children of Balgram participated with enthusiasm and vigour. Their interest and perseverance prevailed right up to the last day of the camp. Indeed, it was the zeal and zest of the children that enabled us to successfully conduct this activity of ours.
- With an objective to make the children proficient in English speaking; **the association has sponsored few girls from Balgram for English speaking classes.** The fees for the same were paid by the members of the association and the college staff.
- The **Paper mashie mask making, Origami and sketching workshop** was conducted for the children of Aniket Children's home, New Panvel so as to engage them effectively during their vacations. The Video of the Paper mashie



Rashmi Pawha, the secretary of the alumni association organised a cleanliness drive in her residential society. She also celebrated 14th November, Children's day with the underprivileged children in the nearby slums of Kamothe.





Another member, Ms. Alpana Sharma took the initiative of teaching some dance moves to the children of Balgram. She choreographed a peppy number and also ensured that the children pick up the steps and have a lot of fun.

23rd November:

Laxmikant Mahamuni spent his entire day at Karanjale village with the slum children there. He spent his time enjoying games like cricket, gilli danda and also became one with them at the lunch hours. He also distributed eatables and other gift items and spread a smile of the young faces. He ensured that the children had fun, merry and also laughed their hearts out.



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The journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step- Lao Tzu