



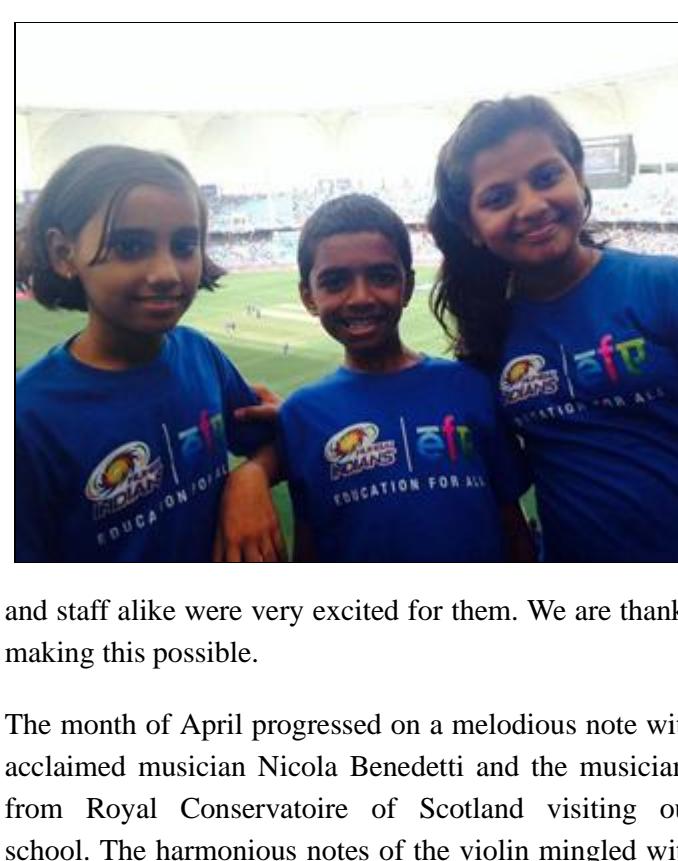
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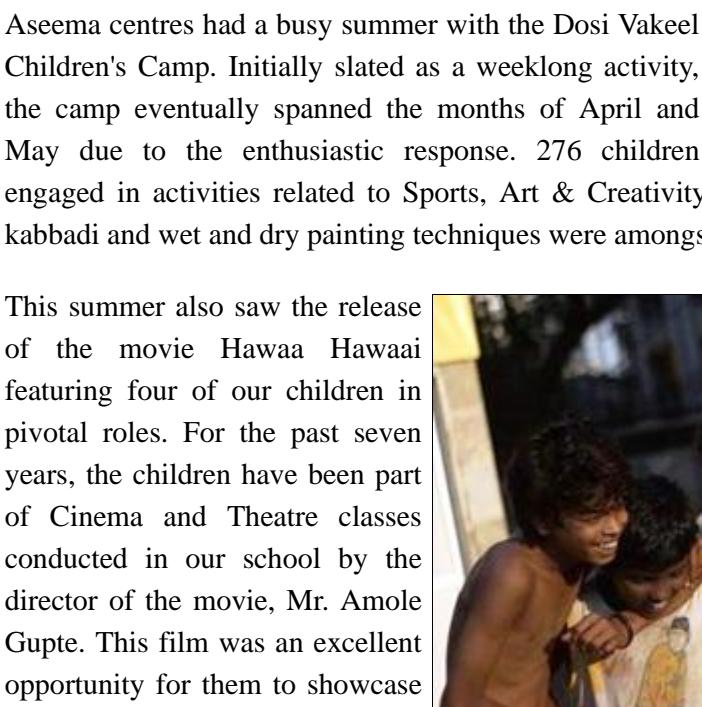
"All children start their school careers with sparkling imaginations, fertile minds, and a willingness to take risks with what they think."

Sir Ken Robinson

As the new academic year starts, it is this belief that drives every member of Team Aseema to enthusiastically give each of our students nothing short of their best.



Oscar winning Director, Danny Boyle visited Aseema's Kherwadi Municipal School in April 2014. The classrooms were converted into a beautiful exhibition showcasing Aseema's approach and our belief in Activity Based Learning (ABL). The exhibition covered various academic topics and the children presented their projects with great enthusiasm. Mr. Boyle also spent a day visiting our Education Centre for Tribal Children in Igatpuri and was most happy to interact with the children there. His warmth and genuine interest in everything the children had to say endeared him to all at Aseema.



This year, once again, our children were invited for an IPL match and cheered for their favourite team - Mumbai Indians - with gusto. Three of our students were ecstatic when they were given the golden opportunity to fly to Dubai for one of the matches. They were provided special seats and met with their favorite cricketers.

The joy at seeing our little ones enjoy this experience resonated across Aseema - students, parents

and staff alike were very excited for them. We are thankful to Ms. Nita Ambani and her team for making this possible.

The month of April progressed on a melodious note with acclaimed musician Nicola Benedetti and the musicians from Royal Conservatoire of Scotland visiting our school. The harmonious notes of the violin mingled with those of the cello, enthralling our children. They were fascinated and suitably impressed when the musicians shared the number of hours of practice they put in every single day.



Aseema centres had a busy summer with the Dosi Vakeel Children's Camp. Initially slated as a weeklong activity, the camp eventually spanned the months of April and May due to the enthusiastic response. 276 children

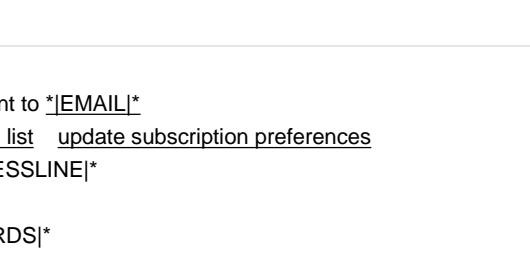
engaged in activities related to Sports, Art & Creativity and Remedial learning. Mallakhamb, kabbadi and wet and dry painting techniques were amongst the most popular activities.

This summer also saw the release of the movie Hawaa Hawaai featuring four of our children in pivotal roles. For the past seven years, the children have been part of Cinema and Theatre classes conducted in our school by the director of the movie, Mr. Amole Gupte. This film was an excellent opportunity for them to showcase all that they had learnt. To celebrate the release, a special screening was arranged for our teachers, volunteers and alumni.

Aseema children demonstrated their mettle in the sports field at a NGO sports tournament recently. They won 9 medals including "Best Girls Team" and "Best Athlete". An exemplary display of sportsmanship, grit and determination on the part of our little ones made their coaches proud.

This indomitable spirit was again reflected in the SSC and NIOS results this year. Living in the remote village of Awalkheda was hardly an obstacle for our determined students and we are so proud to announce 100% result in the NIOS Level B exam. We are equally happy to share that our SSC candidates this year achieved a whopping 92% result. This is truly a commendable achievement on the part of our children under the very able guidance and support of their teachers.

Our Product Division added a dash of vibrancy, creativity and colour to the otherwise bleak monsoon weather. Art created by our children at school found its way on to our latest product - umbrellas. Mystical forests, geometric patterns and exotic flowers of the Nile make these umbrellas a must-have accessory this monsoon.



As always, none of what we do and hope to achieve would be possible without the support of each one of you. We take this opportunity to thank you all for sharing our unshakeable belief in the importance of education. A special note of thanks to Alibhoy Haiderbhoy Chitalwala Charitable Trust, American School Of Bombay, Amole Gupte Cinema, Archana Trust, Asha for Education, Astral Foundation, Axis Bank Foundation, Bansuri Foundation, Being Human - The Salman Khan Foundation, Billabong High (Santacruz), CMC Ltd, Concern India Foundation, Cox & Kings, Create Foundation, Crescent Moon, Crestar, Deloitte Haskins & Sells, Deutsche Bank, Dhun and Maneck Shroff Memorial Trust, ETP International Pvt. Ltd., Fazlani L'academie Globale, Fredun Devitre, General Electric, George Aikara, HDFC Life, International Financial Data Services Ltd, Jasmine Arolkar, Jasudben M. L. School, Jayanti Shukla, Justice S.J. Kathawalla, Kakalia Foundation Kunashne, Kangaroo Kids Education Limited, Kapstone Constructions Pvt. Ltd., Katgara Foundation, Keystone Realtors Pvt. Ltd., Khubi Writer, Laxmibai Dwarkadas Charity Trust, Lok Fortune Joint Venture, Lotus Trust, Manish Magnani, Mary Ashton, MCX, Mehli Mehta Music Foundation, Moet Hennessy, Mumbai Indians - Education for All, My Gym, Nandita Kamalia, Navroz Seervai, Nembutsu Center, Nita Ambani, Nouveau Developers Pvt. Ltd., Novartis, OCP Music Pvt. Ltd., Percy Shiavak Mistry, Plan India, Proline Sportssystem Div Cravatex Ltd, Promise to Act for Children Today (PACT), Renuka Sridhar, Rustomjee Realty Pvt. Ltd., Sajitha Lukose, Shaktiyogashram, Society for the Education of the Crippled Child & Adult, Sunil Luthria, Tata Motors Ltd, Tech Mahindra Foundation, The Tasting Room (A Unit Of Eicher Good Earth Pvt Ltd), Trent Ltd, United Way of Mumbai, Venkat K, Viacom 18 and Zia Mody.

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