

“Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm”

– Ralph Waldo Emerson



Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon 2017

2017 started off on a truly enthusiastic note with 397 people coming together to run for education at the Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon. In keeping with the spirit of the event, some of our children were euphoric about getting an opportunity to witness the event and encourage the runners. We thank all our individual runners and our corporate partners – BNP Paribas India, BNP Paribas India Holdings Private Limited, Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Banking and Nivea India Private Limited for leading our children in their quest for learning and helping them soar towards a bright future.



Performance at the Kathak Dance Recital

Our girls rendered a scintillating Kathak performance at the dance recital organised by Deepmalika Kathak Dance Institute. We are thankful to Avantika Gupta of Deepmalika for introducing our girls to the finer nuances of Kathak and for creating a deep sense of passion, dedication and self discipline. As the girls danced with poise and grace, their enthusiasm was rewarded with a thunderous applause from the audience at the Iskon auditorium where they performed.

The ‘Career Fair’ conducted and organised by students of Standard VIII of the Pali Chimbai Municipal School turned out to be a real eye opener. Through role plays, models and charts, they exhibited various avenues available to students of Standard X. Under the guidance of our committed teachers, the students researched the educational qualifications, admission procedures and job duties involved in professions such as - Medicine, Banking, Journalism, Hotel Management, Education and joining the Army and Air Force. The fair not only



Career Fair at Pali Chimbai Municipal School

exposed the students to various career options but also gave the teachers a clear understanding of the dreams and potential of their students.

Student volunteers from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences and the Aseema Alumni assisted our counsellors in introducing the concept of “Empathy” across Aseema’s Mumbai schools. Through skits and discussions, they addressed sensitive issues such as eve teasing and the importance of developing empathy.

At Aseema, we believe that co curricular activities are equally important in a child’s holistic development. We are proud to share that our students won 63 Gold, 31 Silver and 35 Bronze medals in various interschool sports competitions like Judo, Handball, Football, Volleyball, etc. Our budding artists also won accolades at various art competitions - 13 prizes at the Inner Wheel Club of South Bombay Art Competition. At the recent Interschool Art Competition organized by the J.J. School of Art, where almost 5000 students participated, Mamam Memon a student of the Santacruz (W) Municipal School bagged an award.



Bicycle Project at Igatpuri

The ‘Bicycle Project’ in Igatpuri was introduced to motivate tribal children, living in remote villages far from their schools, complete their education. Lack of transport and walking for over an hour made it difficult for these youngsters to attend school leading to their dropping out of school. Thanks to the Bicycle Project, the older children can now ride to and reach their schools in a short time,

thus motivating them to continue their studies.

Neha Giri has been with Aseema since the adoption of the Kherwadi Municipal School (KMS) in 2010. Although a student of Standard III, Neha was unable to read or write. She was often aggressive and her parents and teachers were concerned about her overall development. With consistent counselling, Neha overcame her aggressive behaviour. The teachers too encouraged Neha’s peers to be more empathetic and patient with her. Remedial classes and individual attention helped Neha work on building her academic skills. Over the years, Neha has grown into a mature and responsible young person. She utilizes every free session in school to work towards her goal of appearing for the S.S.C. Board examination next year.



Neha Giri – Standard IX student

We are happy to inform our donors and well wishers that the construction of our Education Centre at Igatpuri is progressing well and is expected to be completed by May 2017.

For helping our children expand their horizons, our sincere thanks to -

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