

Monday, August 31, 2009

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1.8.09 – We have planned to begin the spoken English program for our staff members through phone line. **Mrs.Balambika living in Sreerangam** will be conducting this session daily for a month. Later we have decided to extend this to village students.

We need to provide a good walker to our special child Mishal. Dr.Mani said that it can be offered as a free support from one of the American hospitals.

5.8.09 – As we have decided our staff members have started conversing with Balambika from today.

Dr.Madeswaran is editing all the narrative reports written by our teachers.

13.8.09- KRISHNA JAYANTHY FESTIVAL. Lord Krishna is the incarnation of true freedom with unconditional love. His child hood actions were very much admired by children for centuries.Today we have celebrated his birth star with traditional setup. Children appeared in fancy dresses. Staff performed various devotional songs and chanting. 7 parents were involved in this festival. Small feet were drawn from the entrance leading to pooja altar. Children walked upon these foot prints and expressed the joy of being Krishna. Sacred bath was given to the crawling Krishna and engaged in various divine plays. Sweets were offered. Children went home by noon.Kaaleeya nardhanam episode from Krishna leela was narrated to children and parents.

15.8.09 – 63rd INDEPENDENCE DAY.

Today we have celebrated our nation's Independence Day which is our own freedom to live and serve the man kind. **Mr.Ayyanan** has hoisted the flag; sweets were shared among staff and children. *We have been very keen about the child's adult's freedom with responsibility. The HOC must give the right opportunity to enjoy the freedom as described by Dr.Montessori and Mahathma Gandhiji. This freedom must lead any one who is with us to attain the inner freedom of spirituality through value based education which is very rare to get today.* After the function staff and children left home.

21.8.09- HOC celebrated **Vinayagar Chaturthi** festival.

22.8.09- Staff meeting was conducted by Dr.Madeswaran. Minutes of the meeting are as follows:

1. *Cooperation among the staff was strongly insisted.*
2. *Helpers were firmly insisted about their responsibilities.*
3. *29th report giving day was planned.*
4. *HOC will be closed from 30.8.09 to 13.9.09 for term end holidays.*
5. *Staff will be going out for canvassing for Vijayadasami.*
6. *Staff will be functioning from 12th of September.*
7. *Ten days Navarathry festival plan was discussed.*
8. *The need for vast transport for more students was discussed.*

24.8.09- It has been decided that students will be functioning as usual after the end of report day. But after the report day, teachers will be taking off for 1 week in turn system.

25.8.09 – We feel happy to share that Ms.Shanthi has passed her B.Ed degree. Madumitha's brother Balaji has joined in our HOC.

28.8.09 - ONAM FESTIVAL.

Onam is the harvest festival of Kerala state. Our state also enjoys this occasion. Floral designs

were made by staff and children traditionally. Payasam was offered as sweet. The legend of Vamana avatharam was narrated by the staff. Children admired the teachers with the similar saree designs.

29.8.09 – REPORT GIVING DAY.

Today is a very auspicious day. Yes! Dr.Madeswaran's parents have made a grand visit to our HOC. They have given the freedom of choice for him to run this Montessori school and also to come here every week end. They felt much satisfied with the growth, service and functioning of the school. They have also thanked the parents and teachers for their dedicated work. They have blessed every one with love and bliss.

Except 2 parents all 21 have arrived soon to meet the special guests. By 10 a.m, the festival started with prayer chanting.

VERY IMPORTANT CHIEF GUESTS

Mr.T.S.Mohanasundaram and Ms.Mahalaxmi were introduced by the principal to the mass. Ms.Mahalaxmi lighted the sacred lamp of wisdom and prayed for the further growth of the school.

Mr.T.S.M has honored Montessori and Gandhiji by offering the garlands.

The school principal has narrated how he has enjoyed the real freedom of choice with them.

Minutes of the speeches given by the chief guests:

1. *Allow the child to be free.*
2. *Give the freedom of choice and speech.*
3. *Do not bribe them.*
4. *Do not disturb their childhood days with coaching classes.*
5. *Observe the child's personality not the grades.*
6. *Make the child to feel the need to serve.*
7. *He narrated how the milk production in the state was increased in late 70ies by his work with villagers.*
8. *The mother has requested the parents not to disturb the childhood days.*

Then parents were invited to talk about their child's growth:

We feel very happy that this time each parent spoke about their children. Children were very happy to see that. We share very important observations given by our parents which is the ultimate result of a good Montessori school.

- *Children have started expressing good habits and human culture in homes.*
- *They have developed the language skills.*
- *They were able to communicate clearly with good language.*
- *They are able to identify many Tamil and English sounds.*
- *Development of numerical skills.*
- *They wish to address them with respect.*
- *They are growing spiritually also.*
- *The children are becoming self directed.*
- *They are very different from other village children.*

Sudeesh mother says,'' I wish that my elder son must have studied under this system. After seeing my second son's development, I have understood Montessori system and stopped disturbing the first son. I feel that Sudeesh must have been 2 years old less to stay more years.'' Mohan's mother says,'' My son never allows any one to disrespect him after joining in this school.''

Saravanan's mother says,'' My son has changed me and my husband in being clean, honest and spiritual.''

Chandraraj's father says,'' My 1.5 year old child is becoming very order inner wards in mind.''

Manikandashiva's mother says,'' After observing my 2 year old child, my husband has dropped the plan of leaving this village for 3 more years.''

Darshini's mother says,'' After being in this school, my daughter is walking smartly and talking clearly.''

Rema's mother,'' Rema is doing well in other school in grade one. Her grasping power is more which is because of this school''.

Reports were given. Coffee and sweets were given. The guests were gifted with a greetings card and clay models made by children. It has been decided to collect the schools fees for a whole term here after wards.

One parent said that many are admiring his children's growth and asking for the possibility to have Montessori schools in their areas also.

Guests were invited by Saravanan to his poor but richest lovable hut. He has served tea and tender coconuts. The parents showed their thanks for helping and caring this boy.

Guests left the HOC by 12 P.M.

30.8.09- Miss. KALAISELVI's wedding was attended by all staff and few parents in Madurai.

We thank Usha amma for her help to their family during these weeks for wedding.

Ms.Priya and Mallika will be on leave for a week.

Third term of 2009 – 2010 has started. We thank all the staff members for their dedicated work.

We wish a happy **TEACHER'S DAY** on September 5th.

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