Shiksha Sopan



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Dear Readers, Greeting from the Shiksha Sopan family. We hope this message finds you well and that you're enjoying our newsletter! As always, we are excited to share the latest news, updates, and insights with you.

We appreciate your continued interest and support, and we hope that our newsletter continues to provide valuable information and inspiration for you. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any feedback or suggestions for future content. The month of April was an exciting month our students participated in various events organized by other groups/ organizations, widening their exposure to the society at large. Here are brief reports.

COmbined Shiksha Sopan Activities (COSSA)

BASCET in G20 Event at IIT Kanpur

IIT Kanpur hosted the Y20 consultation being supported by the Ministry of Youth Affairs as part of G20 presidency of India. As the host of the event IIT Kanpur held a grand exhibition with more than 50 stalls showcasing diverse technologies and innovations, to make an impact on grassroots level. Around 1500 youths visited the event in the premises of IITK. Shiksha Sopan was also invited by IITK to demonstrate the science experiments developed at Sopan Ashram.

On 6th April, 25 children and volunteers of Sopan Ashram put up their stall BASCET (BAsic SCience Experiment at Tour). Mr. Amit Kumar Bajpai, Secretary, Shiksha Sopan along with Mr. Ranjit Kumar, Science Cell coordinator, Mr. Vinay K. Mishra and Mr. Yogesh K Jha coordinated with students and the team presented their science experiments and models to the audience. The experiments were divided into 4 groups, such as an Electronics Zone, General Experimentation Zone, Chemistry Zone and a Puzzle Zone. The people attending in the program were extremely surprised and delighted to see our experiments. Through small experiments and concepts, the children conveyed the knowledge of science to others. Along with this, three students Mr. Ajay, Ms. Anjali, and Mr. Himanshu gave important information to the people about the research lab SUREELA of Shiksha Sopan. People were greatly excited and wanted to visit Sopan Ashram once. We collected their mobile numbers and promised them to call at Sopan Ashram. Dr. Sameer Khandekar was the key person and due to him, we were a part of this event.







Project by MPEC students

In the previous month of February 2023, 200 B.Tech students and their teachers had visited Sopan Ashram. That time we offered them to use our workshop R&D facility. Five students visited Sopan Ashram for making sensorbased project in the month of April. These students were from B.Tech. and they made the model in supervision of Mr. Hari Om, Mr. Vinay Mishra and Mr. Ranjit Kumar.

They made sensor-based models to identify the noise at a particular place and instruct people to reduce the noise. This model was intends to be used in Libraries. It had good controls to monitor the noise level and run the library smoothly. Students were very happy to create such kind of model with their hands. During its making they learnt programming, cutting, shouldering, painting, drilling, etc., and on top of all to works as a team. They presented their model in Technical Symposium and won third position.



Fancy Dress Competition

As we know extracurricular activities are very important for everyone, especially for the school going children. Shiksha Sopan organized Fancy Dress competition cum skill orientation event based on different themes. Each center came with a team of 10 students with a theme and a narrator. Sopan Ashram Evening Center came up with DeshBhakti theme, SASK theme was our States, BEC theme was Nature and Library came up with Human and environment. This competition was inaugurated by Dr. H. C. Verma, Dr. Sameer Khandekar, Dr. Shikhar Jha, Mrs. Jyoti Pandiwal, Mrs. Kiran and Mr. Ranjan Updhyay. This was followed by Saraswati Vandana by Ms. Avni Sharma.

The program was hosted by Mr. Amit Kumar Bajpai in which he called Every center (SASK, BEC, Library, SAEC) by turn. Every center performed very well and showed their talent. People were amazed to see the performance of the students, their excitement, performance and acting was marvelous. One girl played a role of Jhansi ki Rani and its looked like a real Laxmibai on the stage.

In this competition, SAEC got the first position, SASK got 2nd, Library got 3rd and BEC got 4th. Apart from these positions everyone enjoyed and learned so much through this competition. At the end, prizes were distributed among the winners. Dictionaries were also given to each center to encourage them to do best at their center and for the society to build a great Nation.











Sopan Students' Achievement in Board Examinations

Two of our evening centers, SAEC and BEC, cater the needs of students up to std 12. The performance of students of Std 10 and 12 from both the centers were excellent, and all the students received praise for their accomplishments as well as encouragement to perform even better.

Sopan Ashram Evening Center High School-

Anjali – 89% Nitin - 88% Om Ji – 81% Avush -73%

Intermediate-

Hari Om – 72% Alok – 71%

Barasirohi Evening Center High School-

Rishu Kamal – 80%
Parul Bajpai -80%
Archana Kamal – 74%
Manoj -70%
Khusi Bajpai – 71%
Ayush Tiwari -72%
IntermediateOm Srivastava – 64%

Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra(SASK)

Program

Students from Std 1st to Std 8th of SASK participated in the inter school competition organized by Dr. Ambedkar Vichar Samiti, IIT Kanpur on 4th April, 2023. The competition was organized on the occasion of 132 birth anniversary of Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar. It was organized in the lecture hall of L-18 at IIT Kanpur. Students from class 1st to class 5th participated in a drawing competition and students from class 6th to class 8th participated in general knowledge competition.

The prize distribution program was organized in the auditorium on 14th April, 2023. In this program, Deputy Director of IIT Kanpur Prof. S Ganesh was present as the chief guest. He gave detailed information about the contribution made by Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar. This was followed by prize distribution.

Sopan children got following prizes from the Deputy Director, IIT Kanpur.

Ritesh (Class-I) -1st Prize Rani Gaur (Class-3) -1st Prize Aashiqui (Class-4) -3rd Prize Shreya (Class-6) -1st Prize Durgesh (Class-6) -2nd Prize Aryan (Class-6) -3rd Prize Shraddha (Class-7) - 2nd Prize Nandani (Class-7) - 3rd Prize

New Session

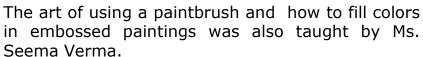
On April 5, the new session was started at Shiksha Sopan Anaupcharik Shikshan Kendra. The teachers welcomed the children. All the children were delighted to get admission to their new classes. The number of children in the new session has been fixed at 80. On the first day, the children were introduced to each other.





Special Craft classes

Every Saturday, Shiksha Sopan students participating in craft activities where they learn to use and develop their creative thinking. On April 8^{th,} 2023 Ms. Seema Verma, Coordinator, SASK and Ms. Ruby Gautam taught the class how to build teddy bears using A4 paper and chart paper sheets.





Result Distribution

Our Annaupcharik students appeared in class 5 and class 8 state board exam from GPSN school. All of them secured first positions in the school. The results were announced on April 11.

On April 15, the eighth-grade kids were given a farewell celebration, during which the seventh graders applied tilak to the eighth graders' foreheads and dedicated a number of motivational poems to their seniors. Ms. Seema Verma presented a motivational message about the value of education and urged the departing students to stay in touch with Shiksha Sopan. These children have completed eighth grades from SASK.



Baal Akhbaar

This time, Rani from fourth grade and Nandini from eighth grade made the Bal Akhbar for the month of April. Shreya from class 7 penned a poem about Shree Ganesh Verma's Geetanjali punah path for the "Meri Kavita" part. Manya from second grade created a stunning illustration for the "Hamari kalaakari" column. Sixth-grade student Durgesh contributed on infectious diseases. Rani from class fourth presented her understanding of various sweets and the cultural variations among Indian states in the "Inhe bhi jaane" section. Seventh-grade Aryan submitted a puzzle in the "Boojho to jaane" column. In the "Mahapurush" column, Divyanshi from the eighth grade urged readers to vote and mentioned Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar.



Geetanjali

Ms. Seema Verma told the students about Geetanjali Punah Path and Naivedya. She informed the children that this work was inspired by Naivedya Parmeshwar, and she did so by introducing them to Ganesh Verma's life through this book.

Students learned about Geetanjali Punah Path and Naivedya poems, which were translated from original work of Shree Rabindra Nath Tagore into Hindi, and the wordings were quite simple for the students to understand. Seema Ji asked the students to learn poems by heart and one student in each morning assembly should recite one poem. Students took this initiative and were motivated by these two books.



Our Achievement

Sonam Dwivedi, a former SASK student, received an Intermediate score of 81% and gave SASK credit for her achievement. She stated that she joined SASK when she was in the second grade and continued to be a part of it even after graduating from the eighth grade. She credited Shiksha Sopan's professors and mentors with helping her succeed.



Sopan Ashram Evening Center

World Health Day

As we know "Health is Wealth" and being healthy is very important for us. If health is good, then everything will be good, and we can do our work efficiently. For that reason, we celebrate World health day on 7th April. SAEC coordinator Mr. Vinay Mishra told the students that WHO (world health organization) celebrates this day in different countries by organizing events and Health camps.



End of Academic Session

The Sopan Ashram Evening Centre declared the completion of its academic year 2022-23. To make this, a small function was organized on May 15th. Dr. H. C. Verma, Mr. Amit Kumar Bajpai, several IITK students, and SAEC children were present on this day at Sopan Ashram. Mr. Deepak ji made a presentation of the work describing the activities that were carried out throughout the entire year. IITK students and others not only attended the session but also provided their own feedbacks for the improvements of the SAEC.





Finally, Dr. H C Verma Sir wrapped up the occasion with pleasant remarks and focused on the idea that, in student life, having fun and engaging in other activities that promote peace is just as important as studying. After that Mr. Vinay announces about the new session 2023-24.

Barasirohi Evening Center(BEC)

World Health Day

World Health Day, April 7, 2023, is the 75th anniversary of the World Health Organization. Emphasis was laid on taking special care of the health and well-being of the people all over the world. This time the theme was "Health for All".

All the children of the center were given detailed information about World Health Day, and were urged to take care of their health. The speakers told them to do Physical exercise every morning.



Special Classes

Jyoti, a BSc student, took a special class for Mathematics all the children of the centre on 11th April. In this she taught how to solve LCM and Division problems in an easy way. Apart from this, Mr. Anoop Asthana took English classes for all the children.

Earth Day

Every year April 22 is celebrated as Earth Day everywhere This year's theme is "Invest in our planet." Ms. Kshama told all the children about the story of the origin of Earth Day and how it is celebrated. On this day all the children of the center made interactive posters and gave a message to protect the environment.



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