

### Cake for Diwali?

Yeah, cause we want to take a moment to celebrate an incredible term and the relentless dedication and perseverance of our teachers, parents and children.

And you can't cut a chakli or karanji or shankarpali!!!



# Diwgli 2020 Newsletter Por Eda

Education for equal opportunities



All projects at Poveda came to an abrupt end with our Graduation on 14th March.

In the week that followed, abiding by all the necessary precautions we completed the year end assessments of the children one by one.



### What did the project look like this school year?

In the absence of presential classes, we were very determined to continue the formation of our children so that based on what they already knew, they could make progress and not lose out on an entire school year.

This first called for an assessment of the situation of each family and their access to a smart phone and the internet.

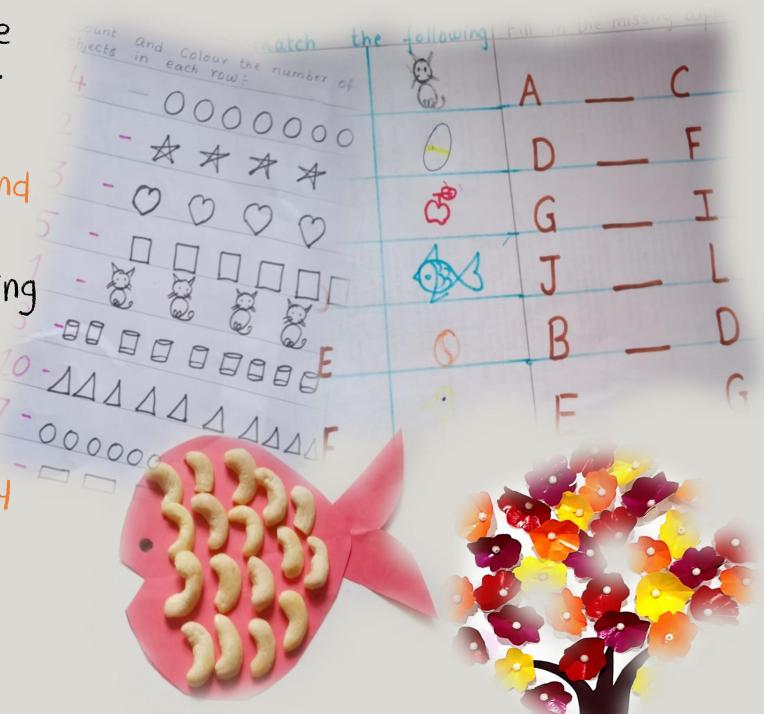
#### 2020-21



Our teachers began preparing and sending 5 videos each to the junior and senior kindergarten groups since the 15<sup>th</sup> of June. Each video is between 30-60 seconds.

But the videos were inadequate and so almost immediately, our teachers began going to the centre every Friday with weekend worksheets for the children based on what they learnt during the week.

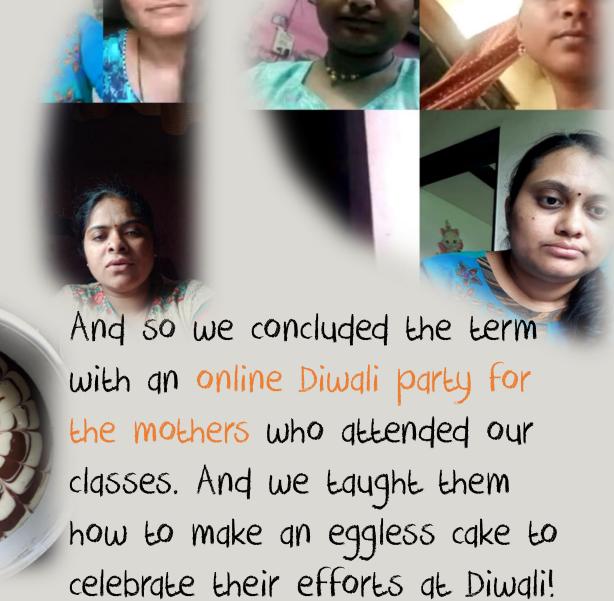
Now this too was insufficient! So to each week we added DIY activities.



Insufficient again...
So in August we began twice a week classes for the mothers of our kids to teach them how to use the videos and to speak in English.

of course, not all mothers could join for want of a device or connectivity or their job.

But the impact was increasing.



#### We were determined:

- 1. To continue the kindergarten project,
- 2. To retain our teachers and not ask them to leave,
- 3. To make sure there wasn't a pay cut.

And although the donations were far too few, we've completed the first term and done it well.

#### What about computer class?

Despite the many classes from the children, computer Class is on hold because we cannot have presential classes yet.

But...our laptops are outside Poveda, in homes where children need a device for their online classes from school.

## We wish you all a very Happy Diwali!

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