

Newsletter of Poveda Foundation September 15, 2021

It's our 12th birthday today!

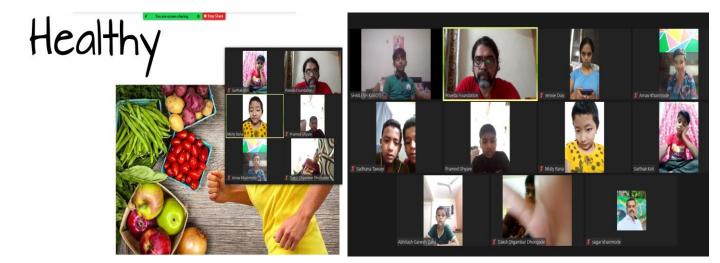
August 23, 2021

We began today a new chapter at Poveda. Online classes called English Super Stars for children from grades 3 to 7 from the vernacular Zilla Parishad (district) schools in villages about 60 kilometers from where we are.

These classes will be once a week, every Monday evening from 7 to 9.

The children joined the Zoom class with all eagerness and dressed neatly and all powdered up and participated when it was their turn and when it wasn't

Here's to small steps and big changes.!



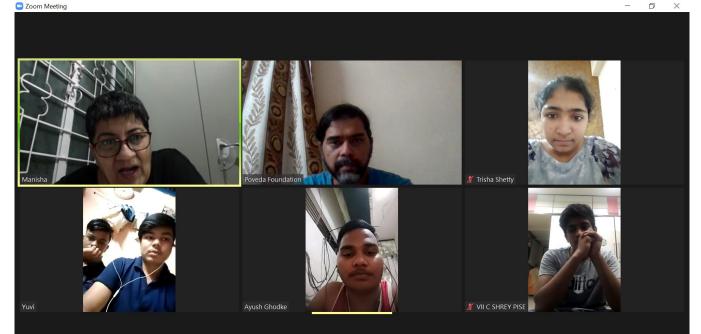
August 25, 2021

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These would describe some if not many of our youngsters these days. With a little help, appropriate guidance and someone who will not give up on them, they can unleash their true potential.

This morning we launched the initial phase of our Mentor Program. One on one accompaniment of students from grade 9 up, children from our computer class, children from our neighbourhood and our alumni. Run by 3 extremely talented experts in the field of coaching, this program aims to help each child understand her/himself better and identify and work towards 3 goals- personal, professional and career. A big shout out to Manisha Patil, Leena Immanuel and Sapna Menda...



August 30, 2021

Each child who comes to Poveda is unique and has her/his own academic struggles. What may be a given for children from middle class families can be a huge challenge for kids from low income communities. Simple tasks like reading, writing, spelling, tables need a lot of time.

Beginning today, our teachers have created Individualized Learning Plans for each child which will be reviewed at the end of every week. Weekly assessments will guide the plan for the next week in class. And so every single child will get that personal attention during the week and learn to grow in areas she/he otherwise struggled with.



August 30, 2021

Art is an important tool of expression and today we've kickstarted Art Class for all the kids that come to us on weekdays. While many of our children struggle to draw basic shapes and even hold a crayon properly and colour neatly within an outline, we are introducing them to the world of water paints and allowing them to let their imaginations run wild. Our teachers have come up with a syllabus that will instigate the creativity within the kids and offer them an opportunity to display in colour what is in their mind.



September 04, 2021

A new team at the helm of Poveda, fresh ideas, fresh energy, great camaraderie....that is the story of today. A new Board of Trustees met for the first time formally and discussed where the foundation is and where it plans to go in the future, what our dreams are and where we lack and how each one of us individually and collectively can make things happen.

The new board comprises

Rosy Dias, Jenny Dias Veronica Nair Anjali Saldhana Rita D'Souza Benita Pereira Reeves Rodrigues



September 10, 2021

Poveda is extremely passionate about the formation and accompaniment of teachers not just professionally but personally too. And so a half day's Teachers' Workshop at Pratibha International School, Chinchwad, helped the participants look at stress from a completely different perspective and helped them with practical doable attitudes and skills to approach stress and interpersonal dynamics.

"I do not know how to say no."

- 'I am not doing what I am meant to be doing in life."
- 'I do not have a friend circle with whom I can confide."

These are situations we all grapple with. The teachers left the session today feeling better equipped and more resolved to deal with these moments in their lives.



#### Our to:

# gratitude

Manasi Pise and Pramila Shetty- our teachers Shobha Gawli- our helper Jennie Dias- our Accounts volunteer Rahul Kashelani and Harshada Yadav- our Computer Class volunteers Sapna Menda, Manisha Patil and Leena Immanuel- our Mentors Shankar Patil- our space owner Every single person who has made a donation to the foundation.

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