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Our vision is a community where children empowered with knowledge and character become responsible citizens of the world.

Our mission is to impact the education and values of less privileged children.

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Poveda Kids, our kindergarten project continues to teach children from the adjacent slum communities and prepare them for admissions in English medium schools.

42 children enrolled in the centre this year.

Almost every opportunity to learn has been leveraged, every minute maximized.



All major festivals are celebrated with equal enthusiasm. These celebrations are opportunities to build on the language skills of the children, their motor skills and their social skills.

Celebrations bring many smiles to the faces of our kids, parents and staff.



More than ever before, the kids this year have been engaged in painting, colouring, drawing, cutting, pasting and other motor skills. They love making craft items and taking them home.









The children had their first picnic for the year with a trip to the river side park in Chinchwadgaon. The park has fibre statues of several domestic and wild animals and the children had fun seeing these and revising all that they have learnt about them.







The year 2018 came to an end with the Christmas party and the children getting vaccinated against Rubella and Measles.







One big focus this year has been parent partnership. Parent meetings have been very frequent and are used to inform the parents about the learning of their children and invite them to participate in this learning and show them how to continue to support their child's learning outside the centre and at home.



Two formative sessions were held for the mothers of our kids. One just before Diwali on nutritious snacks and sweets for Diwali. This was facilitated by Jyoti didi and Minu didi.

The second session was one on the importance of savings and learning how to invest. This session was led by Geo Thomas a financial consultant.







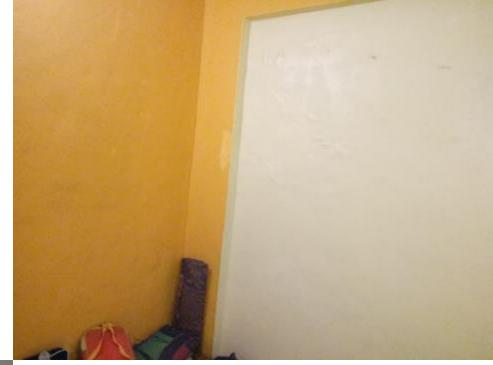


Other than the Diwali break, computer class continues every Sunday from 12 to 2 under the able guidance of our volunteers- Harshada Didi and Rahul Bhaiyya.

The kids are excited and curious to learn advanced skills.







The centre was painted by a group of volunteers from a particular process from Infosys just before we regrouped after Diwali.

A big thank you to the initiative shown by Joseph and Abhijeet.

We will soon send you a formal invitation to our 10^{th} graduation in March 2019. Please join us as we celebrate so many moments of togetherness, of tiny changes and big, big impact in the lives of so many.



And as 2018, comes to an end, we wish you a joy filled Christmas and a happy 2019 where you lead your dreams and continue to help those in need.

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