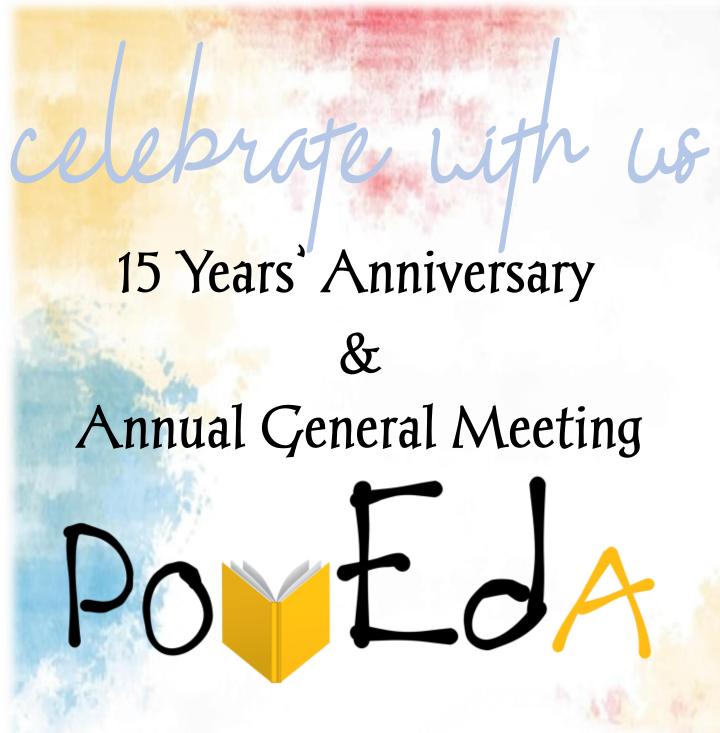
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Saturday, 23rd March 2024 10 am to 12.15 pm Ga. Di. Madgulkar Sabhagruha, Pradhikaran, Nigdi, Pune 411044.

Poveda Kids

The excitement and energy at the kindergarten is palpable as the kids are preparing in song, dance and drama for their graduation.

And of course, the 14th of February was a special day for our parents as their children made them some lovely greeting cards.















Zilla Parishad Schools

One more awesome month in the project! We've been part of parent meetings and baseline assessments in new schools. We were also super lucky to join in Bal Melas in two of our schools and taste so many home made delicacies and buy lots of fresh local produce.













Leap To Shine

A process that started in November last year, with school visits, discussions, parent meetings, submissions etc. is now seeing the light of day. Poveda signed an MOU with Leap to Shine by which 2 of our schools, Degaon and Karandi will receive 35 tabs for the students with preloaded offline State Board lessons, worksheets and activities.

Parents have offered to take turns as volunteers as their children use the tabs in school.

Leap to Shine will train both teachers and parent volunteers in the execution of this project. Tons of gratitude to Leap to Shine!





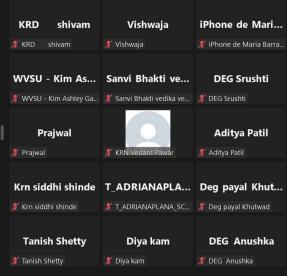
EDIW

With EDIW (Education for an Interdependent World), we've begun our 4th batch of modules in language, culture, science and heritage. 30 students from our schools and Poveda in Chinchwad are participating in this 8 Saturday program and are super eager about everything they are learning.

The teacher volunteers from the Philippines and Spain are really going out of their way to make class easy to understand for the children, are applauding their responses and motivating the shy ones to participate.

Our kids, on their part have offered them an open invitation- Come to India!





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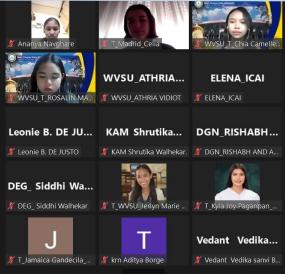
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EDIW - Natalia is talking...





Poveda Meals

30 meals across all the 4 Sundays were distributed to people on the street. There is an indescribable joy in the eyes of the people who receive these meals. And how powerfully humbling it is to be able to do so!

If you would like to celebrate your birthday or anniversary or remember a departed dear one in a special way, you can donate Rs. 1500 to cover lunch for 30 people on the street, on a Sunday. Or you can volunteer your time to distribute the meals.

Sakhi

Sakhi means a friend or a good companion. Because of Reeves sir I was introduced to an online session known as 'Sakhi'. Our first session began on 28th January 2024 wherein we were six girls along with Reeves sir and Jidnyasa didi. Sir told us to describe ourselves, using the name of a bird, or animal or flower and why it represented who we are.

We all decided that our next session will be on mindfulness as we struggle to focus and get distracted easily. We decided that the next session would be conducted on the last Sunday of February. Our homework was to spend five minutes daily in silence without doing anything and simply focusing on our breathing.

As decided the second session was conducted on 25th February where Leena mam explained the meaning of mindfulness and its benefits by asking us many questions. Mam also gave importance on why one has to be focused in life to achieve success. We also had an actual practice of meditation. During this session we were joined by four new friends. Sakhi has given me a confidence about myself and how one should deal with small problems in life. Thank you dear Poveda Foundation for your guidance and kind support.



Janessa Lobo

Changemakers

My first class where we had a fun session where we had introduction class, we introduced each other. We were assigned task to ask our parents about their favourite things like outfits, color, fruit, desert, movie, leader.

Second day of our class we learnt about leadership. It was a great session where Bhaiya assigned us a task where we all had given a sticky



note and we had to write few qualities about a leader. It was challenging task given to us. It taught us about good qualities of a leader, how to be a leader, how to faces challenges.

We learnt qualities that a leader must have

- 1. To be a responsible leader
- 2. Giving respect to other people.
- 3. Being a polite leader.

We were assigned a task where we had to help our Mummy or Papa everyday for one week. I helped my parents like I help my mom by folding clothes, giving water to my mom and dad when they come from work, giving tiffin-box to my dad also helping my sister by giving her papers from stationery shop were. I learnt the importance of helping each other.

On third class, we had an interesting session. Bhaiya explained us about the importance of family and why family is important. We were assigned a task about making a family tree. In this task I learnt about my family member, and importance in our life.

From this all session I learnt about to be responsible and productive. I understood about a leader and how to good leader. I helped my parents in there daily chores, and helping them, made me understand the importance of my parents where they work so hard for us. When I also learnt family and I got to know few people names in my family which I did not knew.

I am becoming the best version of myself.

-Tanish Shetty.

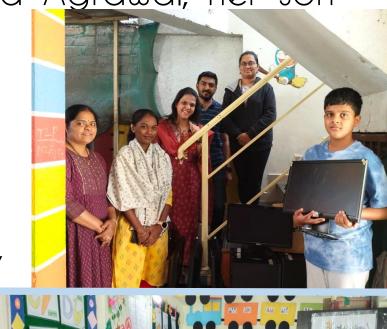
Operations

MangoApps- Donation of Computers

MangoApps has generously donated 5 desktops to Poveda in February. Ranjana Agrawal, her son-

Aranya Agrawal, Ashish Agrawal and Ashwin Jangira brought these over on February

10 and assembled them for us. A massive thank you!!!



Poveda in turn brought 2 of these computers to our Zilla Parishad School in Degaon and 1 computer for the girls of the residence at St. Theresa's Convent in Rahata.

What a joy on the faces of the kids!





Ways to contribute:

- Your time,

- As a teacher or volunteer or resource person at our kindergarten, school project, Changemakers, Sakhi,
- As a volunteer at the office or with Poveda meals

- Your resources

- Rs. 1500 for 30 meals on a Sunday
- Rs. 10000 towards the ZP project staff monthly salary
- Rs. 10000 towards school fee scholarships
- Rs. 5000 towards our annual language camp for rural students.

Make a special donation to our "Bring them all together" camp in April, a fun learning incentive retreat for kids across all our projects.

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