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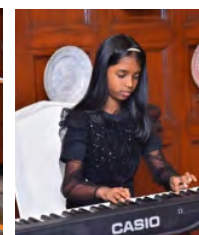


Our Fundraiser Event

We held a fundraiser “Giving Children a Childhood” for the Council, with a focus on PALNA, on 30th April 2022. The prime objective of the event was to disseminate detailed information about all the programmes to the invitees - who were mainly from corporates in and around Delhi as well as a few of our existing partners – to help them understand how their CSR initiatives could be aligned with our programmes and used for the benefit of the over 2500 underprivileged children being served under the aegis of DCCW on a daily basis.

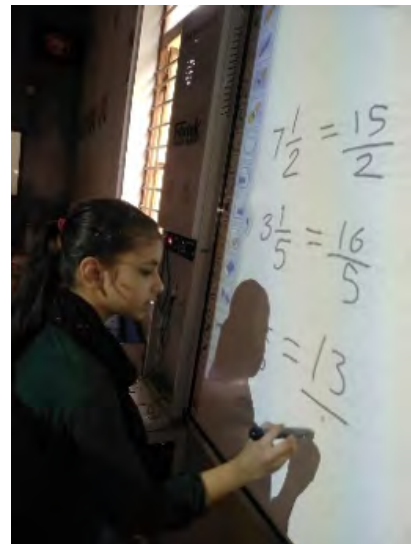
The 90-minute programme included a deep dive into the functioning and funding of all the programmes by way of a film and a presentation by Ms Radhika Ramnath, a member of the Executive Committee, followed by several real-life case studies of children presented by Palna’s senior consultant paediatrician Dr. Veronica Shah. The event was held at the Imperial Hotel, Delhi – and the venue as well as the lunch following the programme was **made possible due to the big-heartedness of our Palna alumna, Mandira**, who also spoke briefly - but very movingly - on the occasion. Mandira was followed by performances from other Palna alumni. Nine-year old twins Naina and Tara enthralled everyone present with their amazing talent on the tabla and keyboard as their parents looked on proudly. Then Priya, also a Palna alumna and supporter, and now a renowned Bharatnatyam exponent, lit up the stage with her performance accompanied by one of her students. The event ended with a powerful message from our patron, Mr Ashok Taneja, before everyone adjourned for lunch.

It turned out to be a successful event in every respect, and we hope it will lead to strengthening our existing partnerships and pave the way to new ones.



Areeba - Making full use of every opportunity

Areeba is a student of the Class VIII who is enrolled in our Supervised Homework Scheme programme at one of our Trilokpuri centres, and is also a beneficiary of our Educational Sponsorship programme. She is a very confident, happy, and bubbly young girl. She lives with her parents and three sisters. She is the youngest in the family and is very attached to her sisters. The family belongs to Meerut and relocated to Delhi over twenty years ago to be able to get better education for the children. Areeba's father works at a shop, and her mother is unable to work due to health issues. Her two eldest sisters work at an office to add to the family income.



Areeba has shown tremendous improvement in both English and Hindi reading and writing under the guidance of the programme instructor. She is very confident and presents herself very well. Areeba is one of the beneficiaries of our Educational Sponsorship programme sponsored by the Navy Wives Welfare Association. She impressed them with her little talk about herself and her ambition to be a doctor. She is very good at using the smart board and in fact she guides other students on how to use it. Along with being good at academics, Areeba is excellent at extra-curricular activities too, including art and craft as well as dance. She is the class monitor at the centre and has a way of dealing pleasantly yet effectively with all the other students. We are very proud of her achievements and wish her the best for a very bright future.

Quarterly Updates

Vocational Training Programme: Enhancing our Vocational training programme in Beauty Culture, our partner **Godrej Ltd.** appointed a Master Trainer, who is training all our beauty culture instructors to upgrade their skills, and hence the quality of the course. To further upgrade them Godrej have initiated English language training through **Enguru** for the beneficiaries as well as our instructors to further enrich the course.

The beauty culture batch of 2021-22 lost many months on account of closures of centres as per the pandemic guidelines issued by the government from time to time. The batch rolled over to June 2022. Their technical assessment was done by our Master trainer. Of the 98 girls who appeared for the exam, 72 cleared it. A reassessment will be held for those who did not clear the examination.



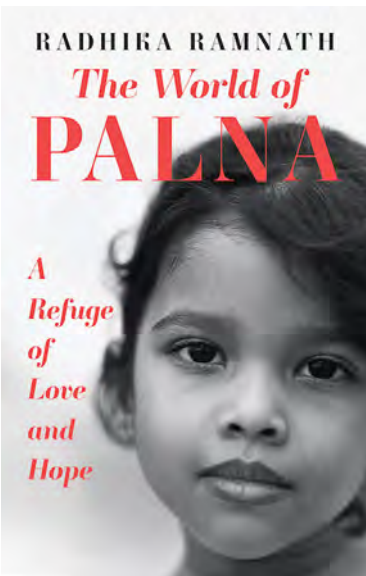
The final examinations of the **computer vocational training programme** were held, and all the participants have cleared the examination!

A facelift to the **stitching & tailoring programme** is being initiated at our Janakpuri centre, by taking the first steps towards a fashion designing component. This has seen some trickle effect of more girls wanting to join the class. This will be implemented at all the other centres also.

Palna WeeKids: With school admissions happening this quarter, 108 of our little graduates from the Palna WeeKids program successfully entered mainstream schools. They enjoyed the send-off parties at centre with their teachers and families.

Palna was its usual bubbling place and during this period gave wings to 7 little ones who flew out with their forever families. We are still maintaining strict Covid protocols with rising cases of the new variants. Children's birthdays were celebrated and on popular demand a chaat party was organized for them.

The highlight was eating noodles with coconut chutney and ending it with stick kulfi! Each such celebration for our little angels is a blessing for everyone at Palna, as their smiles make our day.



Book on Palna: A book on Palna has just been published. Apart from looking at Palna over the last few decades, the book traces the fascinating life journeys of some of Palna's children through the years, to where they are today. The hardcover book is available for purchase from Palna office (price Rs 425/-) as well as on Amazon, both as a hardcover and e-book. (<https://amzn.to/3P5fgJ7>) All proceeds from the sale of the book will come directly to Palna. We do believe you will find the book both informative and heart-warming.

Summer camp: A small summer camp full of hobby classes at to constructively occupy children during their vacation through activities involving logical thinking along with creative learning, art and craft was organised at the New Seemapuri centre in June.

Repairs at centres: Repairs of centres that have been pending for a long time, as well as recent damage caused by thunderstorms is being addressed on a prioritised basis. This is an effort that has to remain a focus throughout the year.

Photo Gallery



Tree Plantation



Enjoying Art



Graduating



Yoga



Patron Mr. Ashok Taneja at the Fundraiser



Little Master Chefs



Priya at the Fundraiser

Donors Speak

As always, your messages of support mean a lot to us!

Madhu: *I'm blessed to be a part of DCCW. I pray to almighty to give bright future to all the children associated with it. In addition to this, I thank all the staff of the organization for working tirelessly to make a golden future for the innocent children. May God bless you all. Happy Mother's Day!*

Sushmita Tanwar: *Really appreciate the work you are doing for the abandoned children. May god bless you and the children you have provided shelter to. Keep up the good work.*

Shaleen Ahluwalia: *Continue the good work god bless you all.*

Rahul Kumar Garg: *Wish you a lot of success in enabling the bright minds of future.*

Ritika Gupta: *I hope my small contribution helps these children. You are doing a wonderful job of taking care of them.*

Kapil Katyal: *Please continue to do your good noble work with full sincerity and passion.*

Pratima Thalia: *Happy to join with you.*

Indrani Pandey: *Thank you for all the noble work your organisation is doing for these children.*

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