



THEATRE WORKSHOP by National School of Drama



The National School of Drama organised a 30-day intensive theatre workshop for our children at DCCW under the guidance of Mr. Rohit Tripathi and Mr. Vijay Rajwanshi. Through theatre-based activities and performance training, children developed confidence, communication skills, teamwork, self-expression, and stagecraft. The workshop culminated in the presentation of the play "*Vaisey Toh Sab Khair Kushal Hai*", reflecting the children's creativity, discipline, and growth.

DCCW sincerely thanks the National School of Drama, particularly Mr. Rohit Tripathi and Mr. Vijay Rajwanshi, for providing this valuable learning experience.

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Spotlight

Trisha

Diagnosed with Joubert Syndrome, Trisha joined the Bal Chetna Programme at our Janakpuri centre in July 2023 at just over two years of age, with significant challenges in mobility, balance, and coordination. Through regular physiotherapy, early intervention, and dedicated support from our therapists, she has progressed from crawling to walking independently, climbing stairs, and even playing football with her brother. Today, she is a confident child who continues to achieve new milestones.

We are grateful to IDFC FIRST Bank for supporting this programme and enabling children with special needs to access essential therapy and opportunities to thrive.



Quarterly Updates

Partnerships in Action

As part of their induction training, 17 newly appointed **Chairpersons and members of Delhi's Child Welfare Committees visited Palna** to gain firsthand exposure to the functioning of a Specialized Adoption Agency (SAA). They interacted with the resident doctor and learned about child care practices, adoption procedures, and institutional processes

Inner Wheel Club (District 301, Delhi) supported 10 girls in our Dakshinpuri vocational training programme who successfully completed the Data Entry Operator course. The girls also participated in a "Save Water" project, where they had to survey their community and identify water wastage sources, and create posters to promote awareness and suggested solutions.

Auto Zone senior leadership visited DCCW to interact with the 20 students they support under our Educational Sponsorship Programme. The visit included a drawing competition on water conservation and a brief tour of Palna.

Palna welcomed a team from the **Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences**, led by Dr. Uday Sinha, to conduct IQ assessments for children with special needs, providing valuable developmental insights and facilitating the issuance of IQ certificates.



Care at DCCW extends beyond children to their families and caregivers. In collaboration with Action Cancer Hospital and the Rotaract Club of Dyal Singh College, breast cancer and basic health screening camps at Palna and Janakpuri benefited 70 staff members and 35 parents.

As part of its *Lend a Shoulder* initiative, **IDFC FIRST Bank** employees created teaching-learning materials, toured our therapy facilities, and conducted a financial literacy session for vocational training students.

NGO **Chetna** conducted an interactive musical workshop on Child Rights, POCSO, and Child Labour, while Reviving Minds Community introduced children with special needs to therapeutic sound healing sessions.

We are deeply grateful to the **Wadehra family** (USA), who thought of Palna even at a time of deep personal loss, and raised funds that have been a great help to Palna.

Programme Highlights & Other Updates

Palna continues to witness an unprecedented rise in admissions, with the average number of children exceeding 105 this quarter and peaking at 121 - its highest level in over two decades. This has placed considerable pressure on both manpower and resources.

Our **Educational Sponsorship Programme** supported 629 students through sponsorships and stationery, while career counselling sessions guided students on higher education and career choices.



To strengthen programme quality, **training workshops** were conducted for instructors of our Beauty Culture and Computer courses, as well as a two-day refresher programme for helpers across 14 centres.

Palna children enjoyed a memorable day at EIEIO, where many experienced an indoor play centre for the first time. The outing included lunch and gift hampers, making it a joyful experience for all. Palna children also benefited from a dental hygiene session held by Drs, Randhir and Ruhi Kapoor, that included oral health education, dental kits, and refreshments.

Community outreach camps increased awareness and enrolments across our programmes, while summer camps at all centres promoted learning, creativity, teamwork, and personal development.

World Environment Day was celebrated through hands-on environmental activities across our centres, while International Yoga Day was marked with a Sahaja Yoga and meditation workshop for DCCW staff.

Well-wishers Speak

Vicky Suri: Serving an innocent child is serving God. Thanks.

Rahul Sikka: I wish every child of DCCW all the very best in their life.

Apoorva Singh: Thank You for all the Good Work you all do.

Sahil Rajkumar: DCCW is one of the most transparent NGOs I've come across in India. You choose exactly where your donation goes. Love their work.

Rekha Shukla (CWC): As CWC member paid a visit today, along with other members. Even though we see many difficult cases daily then too PALNA is an emotional reality check. Large, well-kept facility. Around 60% children are Special children needing special care, medical attention 24X7. Genuine appreciation for caregivers & all the other staff working there. This visit stays with you. It doesn't leave easily.

Rohit Raghav: Feels great visiting Palna every time. All staff efforts are marvellous. Keep it up!

Amit Goswami: Good to see Palna. It is very well maintained. The care givers are very enthusiastic and dedicated.

Deepak Kumar Pathak: The Janakpuri centre is well organised and clean. Low-cost Teaching-Learning materials were found excellent. Staff was well informed and explained in detail about the challenges and the action plan for each child enrolled in Bal Chetna, Janakpuri.

Photo Gallery



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