



## SAMITE NEWSLETTER

### Fabulous February at SAMKIDS

*“Children are human beings to whom respect is due, superior to us by reason of their innocence and of the greater possibilities of their future.”*

*(Dr. Maria Montessori)*

The month of February began with a lot of hustle and bustle for the upcoming Annual day. We were all busy throughout the first week of February practicing and perfecting our cultural items for the annual day. We enjoyed the practice sessions and mock segments. We were excited to try the new costumes. The UKG Samites also eagerly prepared for the convocation ceremony.

We were all excited and keen to give our best performances during the Annual day. The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Day was held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at Rena Event Hub, Cochin. The Chief Guest for the Day was Ms. Ardra Sajan, a beat boxer by profession. Beat boxing involves the production of music by using one's mouth, throat, and nose. It is a pure human art that doesn't involve the use of typical musical instruments. Presenting awards at a special function is a good way to honor the Parents, students and staff and to recognize their achievements and outstanding work. The awards were organized for the *Go Green* campaign and the *Readathon* campaign 2019-20. As part of the Go Green campaign we had planned a social cause event on behalf of our Kids based on the concept of *3R- Reduce, Reuse & Recycle*, whereby we wish to inculcate the value of safe guarding the environment and making them aware about the need of the hour of taking up Go Green Initiatives right from their formative years. The winners of the Green Envoy award were selected from the 3R projects done by kids in centres with the help of teachers. The Best Green Ambassador award was given to parents from each centre who helped to green up the environment in the locality by re-using the materials.

Readathon awards were given to the kids selected as Reading Champs for the year 2019-20. Readathon encouraged all our Samites to develop a love for reading.

The auspicious Convocation ceremony of our UKG Samites was organized in a grand way. All the UKG Samites from all centres were united on the stage for their graduation ceremony. The ceremony signifies the completion of their days in preschool and their entry into a new world of learning and experiences. The programme began with a special convocation address by our CEO Ms. Nisha Hassan. Each UKG Samite was honoured with a medal and convocation certificate.

After the convocation ceremony we began the most awaited and exciting variety entertainment programmes. All the samites from the 6 centres gave the most amazing and enthralling performances. The Annual Day was a memorable event for all. The applause and cheering from the audience added to the festive mood. We thank the parents and other family members for all the support and encouragement. Their esteemed presence encouraged the kids to perform very confidently. We also thank our teachers and non-teaching staffs who took extra efforts to ensure a spectacular show on our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Day.

Our **Third Field Trip** was scheduled from February 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>. We visited **Old Age Homes** to spread cheer and happiness. We enjoyed a lot with the inmates there. We sang songs and danced with them. Our teachers explained that old people need our care and attention and we should always try to keep them happy.

From the second week of February the **Good Touch & Bad Touch sessions** started as part of our **Moral Rearmament** session. Our teachers taught us the need to know and absorb social structures in order to ensure our safety at home, school or any other place. Our teachers discussed the concept of Trusted Adult and also how to be careful about strangers.

We celebrated The *Colour of The Month* on 28<sup>th</sup> February. The colour chosen for the month was Rainbow colours namely VIBGYOR. A rainbow is a huge arch of colours in the sky. It is caused by the light from the sun being broken up by water droplets in the atmosphere. Stripes of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet form a beautiful sight merging the rays of the sun and droplets of rain. Our samites came

dressed in different shades of rainbow and the whole school looked very colourful and bright. We did many activities based on rainbow colours.

The *Menu* for the Month-*Fabulous February* included Vegetable pulav, Roti with green peas curry, Idli with coconut chutney, Plain rice and sambar and also stuffed Carrot Potato Paratha and Tomato chutney.

As the academic year comes to an end we are happy to see our Samites develop into confident children. Stay tuned for more exciting news from SKIPS in the coming month...