



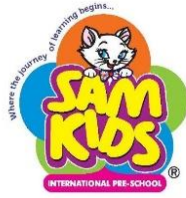
SAMITE NEWSLETTER

IMPELLING NOVEMBER AT SAM KIDS

Children are not things to be molded, but are people to be unfolded.” — Jess Lair

The month of November began with a lot of excitement. We had lots of events planned for the month and all Samites enjoyed the preparations for the upcoming events. All SKIPS centres rolled into November with the celebration of Kerala Piravi. All our teachers came dressed in the age-old style of Kerala outfit which gave a feeling of traditional welcome experienced at our ancestral homes. The Talent Quest organised by SKIPS for the children with a line of competitions like storytelling, Action songs, fancy dress, drawing and colouring sessions made the month even more thrilling and exciting. All Samites participated in the competition with zeal, vigour and full of energy.

Moreover, this month was truly exceptional because we had our first grand event starting with the much-awaited **Children's' Day** which falls every year on 14th of November - our favourite Chachaji's (Jawaharlal Nehru) birthday. The day was filled with excitement as all the SKIPS centres were decorated with balloons, artworks of children and amazing 3D art made by teachers. The cultural programmes started at around 10:30 A.M. There were various programmes like the fancy dress show –which showcased amazing outfits made by our parents depicting the concept of 3R'S (reduce, recycle, reuse) and many of them came in their favourite story characters. Our NUR kids and LKG /UKG samites performed several dance forms in addition to individual dances/ fashion show performed by our samites jiving to different western/ eastern songs. It was colourful and flamboyant as our samites took active involvement in the programmes of their choice. The fact that they enjoyed the overall show was heart-warming to the SKIPS team. The celebration ended on a



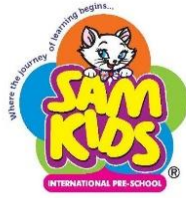
sweet note as each child relished on our special fruit custard plus a grand applaud for all the winners of talent quest and students who participated for the show. Children were given certificates and the gift of love to express our caring and loving interactive bond with every child of SKIPS.

‘At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child’s success is the positive involvement of parents’-Jane D Hull

The **Teachers’ interaction with parents’** session (TIPS) for term 2 was organised in all SKIPS centres during the third week of November. This interaction helped us to know the positive effort of our staff and the constructive bond we can form with our parents to build each child. Moreover, we also received suggestions from parents regarding the various extracurricular activities we can further modify to make each day at SKIPS memorable for all children.

The **Colour of the month** was **PINK** and all SKIPS centres celebrated Colour of the month on 29th November. The colour pink represents caring, compassion and love. The pink colour stands for unconditional love and understanding, and is associated with giving and receiving care. Since pink is a combination of red and white, both colours add a little to its characteristics. It gets the lust for action from the red colour, and the white colour gives it an opportunity to achieve success and insight. Passion and power from the colour red, softened with the purity and openness of the white completes pink colour meaning. The pink colour activities ranged from handprints of swan model for the PG to underwater Jellyfish model using paper plates and ribbons for the NUR. The lower Kindergarten samites engaged in craft activity of creating a pig using paper plates. The UKG samites made a neat cut of butterflies and decorated them with colourful sequences. All the activities were both refreshing and engrossing for the children.

The **Theme for the month** of November was **Transport**. The theme-based activities helped Samites gain a greater understanding of different modes of transport systems



in the world. They were able to differentiate the vehicles utilised on land, air and water. Little Samites of PG and NUR engaged themselves in making paper boats while their older friends created planes using ice cream sticks which helped the kids widen their imaginations.

The **Moral Rearmament for the month** was about **responsibility**. Responsibility is an important moral requirement to take charge of one's self. Responsibility is something all children need to learn. By helping children develop responsibility, we are helping them to reach their full potential. Responsibility involves making decisions, being trusted, and learning to take credit for one's actions - whether good or bad. Taking responsibility is not just about how the choices the children makes affects them, but also how their choices and actions affect others. Assigning tasks at home and school is a great way to teach children about responsibility. Talk about the consequences for completing and not completing one's tasks. Praise or rewards for completing chores can be more effective at this age than punishments for incomplete tasks. Our children at SKIPS began to narrate their pride moments and experiences of doing things independently and responsibly like brushing their teeth, eating their food with the help of a spoon, putting on their shoes and various other daily activities. Speaking about responsibility reinforced in them the idea to start being independent and responsible in doing small things.

As we draw closer to the end of 2019, we gearing up to open the Pandora box of surprises for our Samites in December. There is a more adventurous trip up ahead, so stay tuned with us for lot more of fun and excitements.....