



THE BULLETIN

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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS Dental & Eye Camp

Ekya School Byrathi recently hosted a comprehensive health check-up day focused on eye and dental care, featuring expert advice and assessments for students. Before the check-ups began, Dr. Premlatha and Dr. Arundhati from Cosmo Dental, along with Dr. Karthikayini, the eye specialist, delivered informative talks. Their presentations covered essential tips on maintaining good oral and eye health, emphasizing the importance of regular checkups and preventive care. The sessions were designed to educate students and parents, making the upcoming exams more approachable and meaningful. During the event, most students took the opportunity to undergo thorough dental and eye examinations. Dr. Premlatha and Dr. Arundhati conducted detailed dental check-ups, examining teeth and gums, and offering personalized advice on oral hygiene. Their friendly and professional approach made the process smooth and reassuring for the students. Dr. Karthikavini provided eye exams, assessing vision and overall eye health. Her warm and attentive manner helped students feel at ease as she evaluated their eye health and provided guidance on maintaining good vision. The health checkup day was a resounding success, reflecting Ekya School Byrathi's dedication to student well-being and proactive health care.



Love to Read:



Ekya School Byrathi recently hosted a captivating "Love to Read" program with Archana Mohan, a distinguished author and publisher. The event aimed to inspire students to embrace the joys of reading and explore their creative potential.

Archana Mohan captivated the audience with her engaging talk about her publishing house and its role in the literary world. She emphasized the importance of attentive reading, explaining how it goes beyond mere comprehension to nurture creativity and critical thinking.

Her insights into how reading can enhance imagination and academic performance resonated deeply students and teachers. Additionally. Archana highlighted her efforts to support young writers through her publishing house. She described how her organization helps children bring their creative ideas to life, providing them with a platform to showcase their stories and talents. This encouragement fosters a love for writing and allows students to express themselves in meaningful ways.

The program not only sparked enthusiasm for books but also motivated students to view reading as a gateway to creativity. Archana Mohan's visit was a significant part of Ekya School Byrathi's commitment to enriching students' educational experiences, underscoring the vital role of literature in personal and intellectual development.



CULTURE AT CAMPUS

At Ekya Byrathi, we believe in the power of setting positive intentions to guide our actions and interactions throughout the week. Every Monday morning, during our assembly, the school counselor collaborates with students to set a positive intention for the week ahead. This intention serves as a focal point of the week, encouraging everyone in our school community to embody values such as kindness, respect, or perseverance.



Throughout the week, students are encouraged to reflect on how they can fulfill this intention in their daily lives. These reflections take center stage during subsequent assemblies, where we discuss and celebrate instances where students have demonstrated the chosen positive trait. The students are extremely enthusiastic to come up on stage and share their individual interpretations of the positive intention. By recognizing and acknowledging these efforts, reinforce the importance of these values and inspire continuous growth and development among our students.



At Ekya Byrathi, setting positive intentions is more than a ritual, it is a means of empowerment: empowering students to become compassionate, responsible, and empathetic individuals prepared to make a positive impact in the world.

Sabe KidsMBA WELCOME ON BOARD

ABE Endorsed KidsMBA is now available to children through **Ekya Schools & CMR NPS**

LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Kids MBA

Our students are excited to dive into the world of entrepreneurship, teamwork, and innovation. This August, we're thrilled to launch the Kids MBA program—a super exciting, interactive journey where students unlock the secrets of the business world and have a blast while doing it! Imagine students creating their own business plan, designing a brand logo, and even launching a mini-enterprise! Students will work on fun projects that will let them bring ideas to life. By engaging with real-world scenarios and learning from experienced professionals, students gain insights that go beyond traditional classroom education. We look forward to our future business leaders making the most of this exciting new opportunity!

Wrap Around Program

This past month has been a whirlwind of excitement and discovery as students dove into our vibrant wrap around activities! From the budding scientists in our robotics classes crafting innovative solutions to real-world problems, to the aspiring athletes in football classes playing competitive matches, each day was a new adventure. The Wrap Around program began in the month of July with a bang and focused on activities that cater to diverse student interests. Whether it's mastering a new instrument, perfecting a karate move ,or discovering a love for robotics, our programs provide a supportive environment where students can thrive and grow.



Field Trip

Students were excited to explore a world beyond classrooms and delve into real world experiences as a part of the Field trips conducted at Ekya Schools. We believe field trips are a fantastic way for students to experience learning in a whole new environment. Whether it's visiting local neighborhood supermarket, exploring a sustainability museum, or touring an innovation lab ,these trips bring classroom lessons to life. Students were transported into the world of drama and performance with our trip to the theater. From behind-thescenes tours to watching an incredible live performance, to science museum experience it was an unforgettable experience.







College and Career Guidance Initiatives

In July, the College and Career Guidance (CCG) department organized several key programs and activities designed to support our students' academic and career aspirations. Here's a summary of the month's initiatives:

Monthly Student Sessions: The focus for our students in the month of July was on Job Shadowing. Students were introduced to the concept of job shadowing, where they gained insights into various professions by observing professionals in their workplace. These sessions were aimed at providing students with a real-world understanding of different career paths, helping them make informed decisions about their futures.

General Check-Ins Across All Campuses: Regular check-ins were conducted across all campuses to ensure that students are on track with their academic and career planning. These check-ins provided an opportunity for students to discuss their goals, seek guidance, and address any concerns they might have regarding their college and career preparations.

Webinar - Study in Australia: A highly informative webinar on studying in Australia was held, offering students and parents valuable insights into the academic opportunities available in Australian universities. The session covered various aspects such as admission processes, courses offered, scholarships, and the overall student experience in Australia.

These initiatives are part of our ongoing commitment to providing comprehensive support and guidance to our students, helping them navigate their academic journeys and prepare for successful careers. The CCG department will continue to offer a range of activities and resources to ensure our students are well-equipped to achieve their aspirations.





Wellbeing Initiatives

July, the Wellbeing Department conducted several key programs and activities, including a comprehensive session on health and routine for grades 1-10, aimed at helping students establish holistic health routines. The month featured regular student and parent check-ins, and introduced the first parent wellbeing session of the year, focused on "Creating a Healthy Routine for the Family." Aligning with the month's overarching theme of health, wellbeing initiatives across campuses adhered to this focus, reinforcing the importance of holistic wellness.







PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We had a series of Professional Development sessions throughout the month with various teams. We began the month with a training session for school coordinators. Our educators who have enrolled in special programs attended a virtual session on Mindfulness and Wellness.



The Ekya culture that we advocate does not stop with teachers and students. The PDI team is committed to fostering a learning culture among stakeholders. In line with this idea, we had a session on Social Contract for our Head Office employees. We conducted a three-day special training program at our Ekya Nava campus for our new Admission Counsellors, **Assistant** Managers and Front Office staff members across campuses.



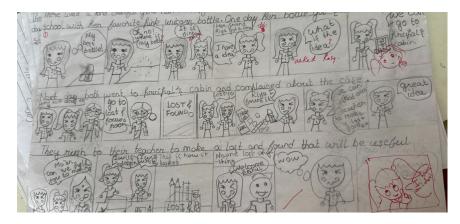


LEARNING & INSIGHTS

Mastering the Art of Drafting, Redrafting, and Feedback for Exceptional Writing

In our pursuit of academic excellence, the writing process plays a crucial role in sharpening our students' skills and producing high-quality work. The Writing Process enables our students to refine their ideas, enhance their writing, and strive for efficiency and excellence. Through mastering the stages of prewriting, drafting, redrafting, and receiving feedback, our students are developing life skills that are invaluable both academically and professionally.

The writing process begins with prewriting, brainstorming, idea generation, and research to lay the groundwork for their writing. Focus on identifying their target audience. Transformation of ideas and insights into a cohesive narrative or informative piece. During this stage, students focus on organizing their thoughts, developing their writing style, and creating a compelling structure that engages the reader.



The Role of Feedback

Teacher and peer feedback play a crucial role in guiding student's learning and growth. Effective timely feedback Teachers and peers help students reflect on their work, set improvement goals, and apply feedback to demonstrate learning.

Celebrating Student Success

Immense pride for the students who have successfully navigated the writing process and produced exceptional work. This achievement is a testament to their dedication, creativity, and hard work, as well as the support and guidance from our dedicated faculty.



STUDENT EDGE

GENDER STEREOTYPES

Hi! My name is Siri and I am writing an article on a topic that is close to my heart and that I believe should be spoken about and discussed in great detail.

A gender stereotype is an assumption made about a specific gender and what they are expected to do. Who knows? Maybe someone in your family has fallen prey to these vicious stereotypes.

Gender stereotypes can be about work, relationships and education. Here are a few examples.

Women are expected to stay home and manage the household. If they really want to work they are told to be a teacher, organizer, babysitter etc.

Men are considered to be unsafe around women and children.

Generalization.

These stereotypes are toxic and can not only affect the person experiencing it but also the people around them. The person might not be that stereotype but will have to live up to it because they will most probably be looked down upon by society.

I interviewed a few people, adults and children and asked some basic questions. 90% of them replied that most of their mothers did the housework even if they worked.



However, things are changing drastically and both women and men have been offered many more opportunities in the last 15 years, for instance we see a lot more women in government, corporate and the sports industry.

With that i conclude my article on gender stereotypes, i hope that you all contribute to the abolition of gender stereotypes. I hope that you all contribute to the abolition of gender stereotypes and how people respond to the same. I was inspired to write this because i have been constantly observing multiple incidents of gender discrimination and it moved me to write this and hopefully we can put an end to it together in the near future.





TEACHER BLOG

नर्ड शिक्षा प्रणाली और शिक्षक

शिक्षा का जीवन में अत्यधिक महत्व है। शिक्षा से मनुष्य सुसंस्कृत,सभ्य बनता है। शिक्षा मनुष्य के बुद्धि को व्यापक बनाकर उसे विभिन्न परिस्थितियों का सामना करने में सक्षम बनाता है। वह आत्मविश्वास के साथ हर समस्या का हल ढूंढ सकता है। वह काबिल इंसान बनकर आर्थिक दृष्टि से भी स्वावलंबी बन जाता है और परिवार का बोझ उठाने के लिए भी तैयार हो जाता है।

शिक्षा के इन्ही उद्देश्यों को ध्यान में रखकर, पहले-पहल इतने सारे विद्यालय,महाविद्यालयों की स्थापना हुई ताकि ज्यादा से ज्यादा लोग इसका फायदा उठा सके। देश का हर बच्चा शिक्षित हो जाए। गुरु- शिष्य परंपरा पहले भी थी। शिक्षा का माध्यम, जो शिक्षा दी जाती थी, भले ही पूर्ण रूप से अलग हो। गुरुकुल के आश्रम में कोई भी शिष्य, भले राजकुमार ही हो, गुरु और गुरु माता का सम्मान कर,उनकी हर बात, हर काम को शिरोधार्य मानकर करता था। धीरे-धीरे बडे-बडे इमारत के बंद कमरों में कक्षाएं भरने लगी। गुरु और विद्यार्थी का संबंध वैसे ही बना रहा। बदलते परिवेश के साथ-साथ शिक्षक क्षेत्र में कई बदलाव आए। नए-नए विषयों को सम्मिलित किया गया। गुरु द्रोणाचार्य ने अर्जुन की परीक्षा ली थी वैसे ही परीक्षाएं ली जाने लगी। धीरे-धीरे सब कुछ संगत, नियमबध्य, क्रमानुसार किया जाने लगा। गणवेश का आविष्कार हुआ, खेल, कला, हस्त कौशल्य का विकास हुआ। आज कई शालाओं में तैराकी, बाग बगीचा, कार्पेंट्री, घुड़सवारी जैसे विषयों कों भी पाठ्यक्रम में जगह मिली। इन सारे बदलावों को समाज, शिक्षक, अभिभावक, सबसे ही सहमति मिली। आज गांव-गांव शहर के हर रास्ते पर बड़े-बड़े विद्यालय खुले हैं। शिक्षा के प्रति जागरूकता बढ़ गई है। शिक्षितों का समाज में मान-सम्मान बढ़ गया है। इसी व्यवसाय में कई सालों तक रहने पर, शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में होते हुए बदलाव को मैंने खुद देखे हैं और मेरे युग के शिक्षकों ने भी,इस परिवर्तन को देखकर, हम स्तंभित हो जाते हैं। परिवेश बदला, जमाना बदला, लोगों के विचार बदले, इसी प्रकार शिक्षा का स्तर भी आश्चर्यजनक रूप से बदल गया है। आज का मनुष्य शिक्षित होकर मशीन का हिस्सा बनकर रह गया है क्योंकि मनुष्य के जो मानवीय गुण होते हैं, प्रेम, परोपकार, सेवा, सद्भावना, सहानुभूति आदि लुप्त होते जा रहे हैं। इनका स्थान स्वार्थ, द्वेष, घृणा, प्रतिस्पर्धा लेते जा रहे हैं। आज शिक्षा का विकास बड़ी तेजी से हो रहा है। आज हजारों के तैनात में डॉक्टर, वकील, इंजीनियर,प्रोफेसर, कंप्यूटर इंजीनियर चारों ओर फैल रहे हैं लेकिन यदि गंभीरता से विचार करें तो क्या आज का डॉक्टर क्या वास्तव में मानव है? क्या उसके हृदय में कहीं प्रेम, त्याग,सेवा, परोपकार के लिए स्थान है? सिर्फ डॉक्टर, इंजीनियर, वकील, अध्यापक ही नहीं प्रत्येक शिक्षित का यही हाल है। कम उम्र में, आधुनिक शिक्षा के बल पर, ढेर सारा पैसा कमाने वाले, आज इंसानियत के अहमियत को भूल रहे हैं। आज का शिक्षित मनुष्य 'सेल्फ सेंटर्ड' बन गया है। यह प्रभाव जन सामान्य के जीवन स्तर पर भी पड रहा है। खान-पांन,वस्त्राभूषण आचार-विचार, प्रेम, व्यवहार, विवाह संबंधी सभी बातों में व्यक्ति की स्वतंत्रता ही प्रधान मानी जाने लगी है। पारिवारिक और सामाजिक मर्यादा का स्थान गौण होता जा रहा है। व्यक्ति स्वतंत्र की अतिरंजित धारना के कारण आज का युवा वर्ग अपने कर्तव्य को उपेक्षा की दृष्टि से देखता है। शिक्षा प्राप्त करने के बाद वह सोचने लगा है कि मुझे इस किसी से क्या मतलब? मुझे अपने स्तर को ऊंचा उठाना है। यह अहंकार मानव का पतन करता जा रहा है। हमारी शिक्षा पर बढ़ती हुई विदेशी शिक्षा का प्रभाव, देश की वर्तमान शिक्षा प्रणाली भी इसके कारण हो सकते हैं। आज शिक्षा 'स्वयं' तक सीमित रह गई है। प्रत्येक व्यक्ति को अपने नाम की आकांक्षा है । आज का सारा सामाजिक परिवेश ही स्वार्थी हो गया है। प्रत्येक व्यक्ति अपने संकृचित घेरे में सीमित है।

आज शिक्षा व्यक्ति का सर्वांगीण विकास नहीं, बल्कि उसे नौकरी करने या पैसा कमाने योग्य बना रही है। आधुनिक शिक्षा में मानवीय गुणों की शिक्षा का अभाव है। विज्ञान और नई टेक्नोलॉजी के परिणाम स्वरुप परिवर्तन की जो लहर, सारे संसार में फैल रही है, उसके वेग को रोक पाना, अब हमारे बस की बात नहीं है। उसके साथ आगे बढाने में ही हमारा भला है किंतु इन परिवर्तन के रास्ते पर चलते हुए हमें अपनी मानवीय मूल्यों को भी याद रखना चाहिए। सब कुछ डिजिटल,'हाथ की उंगलियों का कमाल' हो गया है। गूगल जैसे आप, मे हर सवालों को ढूंढने में आसानी हो गई है। जब टेक्नोलॉजी से सारे सवाल हल होते हैं, तो शिक्षक की जरूरत भी पहले जैसे नहीं रही है। शिक्षा प्रणाली के बदलाव के कारण शिक्षकों के शैक्षणिक स्तर को भी बढाना पड़ा है। बिना B.Ed किए कोई इस क्षेत्र में उतर ही नहीं सकता। छात्रों के साथ-साथ उच्च स्तर पर टेक्नोलॉजी का ज्ञान रखना उसके लिए जरूरी हो गया है। कुछ साल पहले का शिक्षक सीधे-साधे कपड़े पहन, कक्षा दर कक्षा पढ़ाते, प्रश्नपत्रिका बनाते, मूल्यांकन करते। आज गैजेट ने पूरी तरह एक शिक्षक की सोच, पढ़ाई और कामकाज में बदलाव लाया है। अपने विषय ज्ञान से भी ज्यादा आज के शिक्षक को गैजेट्स के नए-नए टेक्नोलॉजी के नए-नए मैथड्स, मनोविज्ञान का ज्ञान आदि सब रखना सौं फ़ीसदी महत्वपूर्ण हो गया है। आज का शिक्षक भी धीरे-धीरे मशीनी दिमाग वाला बन गया है। आज, हम शिक्षकों को जरूरत है कि छात्रों को सहानुभूति, प्रेम, भाईचारा, आदि मानवीय मूल्यों की भी शिक्षा दी जाए ताकि विदेशों की तरह वृद्ध आश्रम हमारे देश में ना बढे। मां-बाप का सम्मान हो, शिक्षकों का गौरव हो।



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