

Annual Report - Heritage Vidhyalaya School

Heritage Vidhyalaya School, run by Sri Subramanian Educational Trust, is a Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) School of global standards which commenced its academic activities from the Year 2014. Our school, located in a green lush healthy environment, is providing education to children from Nursery to X standard. According to Swami Vivekananda, "Education is a manifestation of perfection already in men". This school blends tradition with modernity imparting quality education to children in a joyful and creative environment enabling them to become skilled, intelligent, sensitive, responsible and top performers in their chosen fields. The board of management of Heritage Vidhyalaya School has a clear vision to provide holistic education in spiritual, moral, intellectual, emotional, physical and social aspects to children in a stress-free and safe environment that will enable them to grow up to be confident and self-reliant people. For nursery children, Montessori method of teaching is adopted, wherein the slow learners also show significant improvement.

Unique features

Our school is quite successful in enabling children with varied learning difficulties such as problems in alphabet blending, attention disorder, hyperactivity and lack of motivation to acquire good education. These issues have been successfully handled with the assistance of psychological consultants as well as specially trained teachers and using Montessori materials.

The children are encouraged in different activities as advocated by CBSE and when they come out well in some of these activities, then they gain confidence which inspires them to do well in academics also. In this fashion, many students who were slow learners in the beginning have come up very well later.

Situated in a rural background, most of the parents being unable to help students in their studies, our school gives a lot of exposure to students in language learning by way of helping them in reading story books periodically, making conversations etc on a regular basis. We also motivate the students by encouraging them with medals and badges for their outstanding academic and extracurricular activities and sports. This inspires them to do well in studies also.

Poor children were also given fee concessions to get quality education and they were also encouraged to develop rapid reading through remedial classes involving phonics etc.

Academic objectives

At Heritage Vidhyalaya School, we recognize that each student has a unique learning skill/style. In order to bring out the best in each child we have devised our academic program in a flexible manner to be able to recognize these differential abilities at an early stage and direct our teaching initiatives to help the student improve their positive abilities to overcome areas of learning difficulties.

These initiatives include maintaining a low student strength in classes with trained faculty to identify students' learning patterns, devising continuous skill-based plans to suit their learning needs and delivering them in an integrated manner using our digitized classroom infrastructure. We are able to successfully implement the Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) framework of CBSE from grade 1 to 5 and from grade 6 to 10 we follow a uniform system of assessments as advocated by CBSE board to constantly monitor student progress and update learning material in a timely manner ensuring positive learning outcomes. We had sent the four batches of grade 10 students with a cent percent pass percentage and good marks.

Vision

Heritage Vidhyalaya School aims at imparting good quality inclusive education to children of a range of learning abilities in a stress-free, joyful environment that could ensure their holistic development with 21st century skills.

Mission

With a team of dedicated, talented, and caring teachers and good infrastructure, Heritage Vidhyalaya School adapts a facile teaching-learning process in a free and supportive environment that ensures the all-round development of children to help them evolve into men of character, wisdom, empathy and responsibility.

Co-curricular Activities: 2019-20

To take part is what counts in competitions and lessons of victory and defeat are what we get in return. This environment was sufficiently created with class-wise, inter-house and inter-class competitions such as debates, Quiz, Rangoli, Declamation, Creative-Writing, Spelling-Bee, Rhyme and Rhythm, Drawing, etc.

Our students actively took part in various inter-school and zonal level Competitions like Camlin State level Drawing contest, Swatch India essay writing competition- National level, State level Thirukural writing competition, Discovery School Super league contest in collaboration with Think & Learn Pvt.Ltd (BYJU'S) - A leading Ed-tech company, *State Level Interschool Art & Drawing competition "HEALTHY & FIT"* Organised by Youth Development Consortium in association with The Art Foundation, to create awareness on FIT INDIA MOVEMENT, and to attempt a *World Record in Asia Books of Records*, etc. and Our students have brought laudable laurels to the school.

Extracurricular activities

CBSE is encouraging extracurricular activities to unearth the latent talents of students and ensure their wholesome development. Consequently, Heritage Vidhyalaya is providing the opportunity for children to learn Western dance, Bharatham, Silambam, Karate, Chess and Yoga.

Field trips

Heritage Vidhyalaya organizes various field trips periodically to enable students to think beyond the classrooms. This was a wonderful opportunity for children to take a break from classroom learning and to have fun and excitement.

On 17th July 2019, the students of grade I to V went on a field trip to Mettur dam. Students enjoyed a lot and saw new things, getting their whole bodies involved.

On 31st July 2019, the students of grade VI to X went on a field trip to IRT Medical College, Perundurai. The students were shown specimens, organs ranging from the liver, kidney, gonads and even preserved foetuses (Premature and diseased) were kept. They saw the whole anatomy of the human body.

On **09th November 2019**, children were taken on a field trip to **Samayapuram Temple, Thiruvanaikovil, Malaikottai and Mukkombu** at Trichy gaining overall exposure, practical knowledge and experience.

Important Days and Festivals

Heritage Vidhyalaya observes and celebrates all Important Days and Festivals such as Education Development Day, Ramzan, Independence day, International Yoga Day, Independence Day, Republic Day, World Students Day, Krishna Jayanthi, Vinayagar Chaturthi, Teachers' day, World Handwashing day etc. The students are given exposure on the importance and significance of these days.

In-service Training programmes

The CBSE is giving great importance to in-service training programmes for principals and teachers. In tune with this, our school organized many training programmes for teachers and parents as well. Our teachers are sent to the workshops conducted in different institutions at various places for training programs.

With the sole purpose of updating teachers' knowledge, the school hosted a series of Teachers' Workshops. It was an attempt which inclusively engulfed various significant aspects like Moral Values, Life Skills by CBSE, Meditation & Stress Management, Science, English Language and Mathematics.

Our teachers attended various workshops like Information technology today workshop, a workshop on NURTURING EARLY CHILDHOOD and ADOLESCENCE MANAGEMENT, workshops on various ACADEMIC SUBJECTS. Attendee teachers further shared the knowledge with other fellow teachers widening the sphere of wisdom.

Library and Laboratories

Well-furnished Library and highly equipped labs are functioning in such a way to facilitate the children to improve their reading skill, experienced learning and to develop their intelligence.

Medical Checkup and Blood Camp

Our school organized a free medical camp associated with Sri Ramakrishna mission with specialist doctors who provided free BP check-up, free Body fat measurement, free Nutritional Advice, Special General Check-up for our school children, parents and public. Many students, parents and students' grandparents benefited, besides several people got free medicines for various health problems.

House System In order to inculcate a sense of belongingness among the students, Art of Competitiveness and the team spirit and activity oriented system called "House system" is introduced.

All the students of the school have been grouped into four houses namely Chola, Chera, Palava, and Pandiya.

Awards: The following are the annual awards given by the management to the students.

1. Rolling shield for the best house which scores maximum points throughout the year.
2. Gold level appreciation cards for best all-rounder of each class.
3. Silver level appreciation cards for 100% attendance holders.
4. Bronze level appreciation cards for good communicative skills and handwriting.

Intramural Sports Meet

Our school conducted an Intramural sports meet from 4th to 6th of November 2019. The children had a wonderful time and participated in all the events like long jump, kabaddi, hurdles and muddles, pick and drop, etc. Intramural sports day continues to be the most popular program on our campus. With a vast variety of sports events, our students got the ability to stay fit, compete for an Intramural championship, and made friendships with other house members that will last a lifetime. We conducted many competitions wherein students enthusiastically participated and the Greenhouse (Cholan team) won the overall trophy. Our Honourable Chairman presented the winning trophy to the Cheran team and runner trophy to the Cholan team.

Salem Sahodaya Sports Meet

Our children have actively participated in various sports events conducted by Salem Sahodaya and expressed their full potential.

To Name a few events

KHO – KHO (B & G) Under 19 held on 15-NOV-2019 at Vaageswari Vidhyalaya CBSE School, Salem.

Chess Tournament (Girls Under 11 & 14) held on 21-Nov-2019 at ARRS CBSE SCHOOL, SALEM

State Level Karate Competition

Our students won the State Level prize for Karate which was held at Mysore. They explored not only in studies but also in sports activities.

Karate Competition held at Puducherry

Our students won the State Level prize for Karate which was held on 13th Oct-2019 at Achariya Arts and Science college, Villianur, Puducherry.

Karate Competition held at Karnataka

Our students have participated and won the National level prize in 6th National open Karate Championship-2019 which was held on 18th Aug 2019 at SEA Group of Institutions, Bengaluru, Karnataka.

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Real education ushers in a multitude of benefits to the learner, more than bringing a job. It makes living pleasant and delightful. Heritage Vidhyalaya School located in a rural environment is run by Sri Subramanian Educational Trust founded with the aim of imparting student-centric, inclusive, holistic, quality education to children. Children are encouraged to understand concepts clearly and avoid rote memorization. It is a happy moment to look back at the year gone by, which brought difficult times baffling all stakeholders of the school, the children, the parents, the teachers and the school management. But all of us became resilient and were determined to overcome the hurdles by innovative teaching learning protocols with the support of all the stakeholders. At this juncture I thank and appreciate all the teachers and students for their involvement in the teaching learning process and the parents for their support.

With the experience gained during the last year, we are gearing ourselves to perform in an exemplary manner in the coming year, with a positive outlook. We thank the Almighty for all the blessings showered upon us every year to perform better than the previous year, from the inception of our School in 2014.

Heritage Vidhyalaya School has been creditably successful all through the years since its humble beginning in 2014. We have performed well in academic and non-academic areas. At this juncture, I wish to place on record my sincere gratitude to the management, staff, students and the parents for their kind support and guidance.

With great pleasure, I present in a nutshell the highlights of the past academic year 2020-21 as follows:

Online Education

In view of the pandemic, we commenced the school in the virtual mode conducting online classes from the first week of April 2020 - as soon as the lockdown was announced by the Government. The online teaching learning protocols were effectively evolved and guided by a Tech team, which includes the Vice Chairman, an IT specialist and two other technologists. This team facilitated both students and parents effectively to enable them to have a smooth sailing in the online teaching learning process. Subject

materials, assignments, question papers, videos etc were placed in the google classrooms and the students used to turn in copies of the assignments and test papers into the google classroom. With whatsapp and cisco webex webinar facility and often interaction between the parents and the teachers/tech team of our school, teaching learning could be facilitated smoothly in the last year.

The experience gained In online teaching could be included even in the normal physical schooling along with offline mode of teaching. This hybrid system could be useful in providing extra care to low achievers in the school and children at far away places. In fact, some students who were studying in other states also enrolled in online classes of our teachers in our regional Tamil language. Thus student-centric holistic education could be readily enabled. Our school being located in a rural background, parents had initial difficulties to provide the facilities and environment children needed for online learning, but slowly geared up to meet the challenges. Students have been motivated to participate effectively in the online classes and this was sustained by incorporating student's participation, on-time submission of assignments and test papers in google class room and effective classroom participation along with marks scored online and offline tests etc for assessing the performance of the students. Periodically parent-teachers meetings were also conducted to ensure effective cooperation of the stakeholders in enhancing the performance of the children.

It is also noteworthy to record here that the tiny tots of nursery classes also could learn through online classes, with good support of their parents. In general, mothers of these small kids also used to sit along with their children and they also learnt phonics, word families, sight words etc. Then they could guide the children effectively in their learning. Some of these parents with the required qualifications also evince interest in taking up teaching assignments.

Academic Excellence

Excellence in academics is the hallmark of our institution. Heritage Vidhyalaya School employs a comprehensive curriculum with a blend of theory and practice in the right proportion. Our grade X students' performance in Board Examinations held for the past four years from 2018-2021 is creditable with 100% pass and good marks.

Teacher Enhancement Programs

Teachers constitute the backbone of education, the quality of education depends squarely on them. We believe in equipping and developing teachers to prepare the students for the future and to update their knowledge with 21st century skills. So, our school arranges teacher orientation programs every year and in 2020 it was in virtual mode directed by CBSE and other agencies.

Regular staff meetings were conducted in a virtual mode with a view to assessing and improving the online teaching protocols and evaluating the quality of performance and plan for the future with improvements in teaching- learning programs.

Examinations and Remedial Teaching

Periodical assessments and evaluations were conducted through online and offline tests for the students and their progress was intimated to the parents time and again. Subject enrichment activities were also conducted for the students, and their performance in these activities were also taken for the internal assessment. Remedial classes for the students with a low learning pace were held by taking extra online classes after the regular class hours to enhance their performance.

Co-curricular Activities and Celebrations

Heritage Vidhyalaya School strives to offer holistic education to children by focusing on their intellectual development along with co-curricular activities and school celebrations to develop their emotional, physico-cultural and behavioural aspects by inculcating moral values, responsibility, self-reliance, social awareness, interpersonal relationship, communication skills, team spirit etc.

World Environment Day

On the World Environment Day, 5, June, 2020, children remained at home in view of the pandemic. Hence before this day, children were asked to celebrate the World Environment Day, 5, June, 2020 by way of planting saplings at their home and farm. They were also inspired to spend every resource carefully to the minimum, avoiding the wastage of water, power, food etc. On this day children were prompted to do drawing, painting, writing essays etc on eco-friendly measures. They also displayed eco-friendly materials and models.

71st Republic Day Celebrations

Seventy first Republic Day was celebrated on 26th January 2020 with grade 9 and grade 10 students and faculty at our school premises. On this day the other children who remained at home due to the pandemic were asked to participate in painting, drawing and essay writing and speech competitions. They were asked to take video of these endeavours and send them to the respective class teachers. The top performers were also honored. Our beloved Vice Chairman delivered a speech at school premises to the teachers and the students motivating them by referring to the great sacrifices made by our national leaders and other freedom fighters in getting freedom for our country and how fortunate we are now to enjoy the fruits. He dwelt upon in length on the facilities available for all of us in the current information era and how we can make use of the facilities to learn in depth in their chosen area of interest. A few teachers and students also delivered speeches on that occasion.

Founder's Day Celebrations

Foudner's Day Celebrations were celebrated on 30, January, 2020 to commemorate the birthday of our beloved Chairman in which the grade 9 and 10 students and teachers participated. Teachers and students also spoke about the vision and mission of our school authorities to develop children of this rural area in a globally competitive level.

Student enrichment activities

Discovery School Super League Online Quiz Competitions

Discovery School Super League Online quiz competitions were held for the children on 04, September, 2020 in which many students of our school participated and performed well. Many of them got recognition by way of certificates.

Zee TV Olympiad Mind World Online Exam 2020

Zee TV Olympiad mind world online exam 2020 was conducted for our children on 24, January, 2021. Many of our children have done the online examination with interest.

Group Discussion Event conducted by Petroleum Conservation Research Association

A group discussion event -SAKSHAM was organized by Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) and Hindu newspaper for students of grades 6 to 9 on 13, February. In this event many of our students participated online and discussed the ways in which fuel consumption can be reduced consciously which in turn will diminish emission of carbon dioxide and other gases which could cause global warming and acid rain. Reduced fuel usage will also lower our dependence on the import of crude oil from other countries.

Drawing Competition jointly organized by JSW Paints in association with the Hindu Newspaper

JSW Paints in association with the Hindu Newspaper organized a futurescapes painting competition on 13, February, 2021. Painting being an activity which will stimulate and unearth creativity of children, we have encouraged our students to participate in this activity. Many children took part with interest and got recognition. These participations also helped the children to come out of the monotony of staying at home during the pandemic and attending online sessions.