Activities of The Fig Tree Learning Centre Report to ASHA October 2022 – March 2023









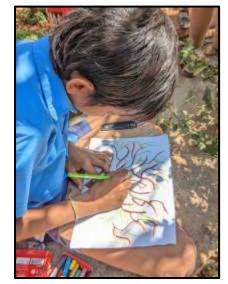
Classroom projects: Local plants – the giant milkweed, eka











4th and 5th std. children from Tarabanahalli School documenting the eka plant

Preparing a chart on the giant milkweed plant (eka)





Classroom Projects: Investigating the cycle of day and night







4th and 5th standard children from Tarabanahalli School understanding the movement of the earth and exploring how animals adapt to the night.

Classroom projects: Waste and recycling



Using old newspapers to make bags and other items.





Containers to store glass and paper waste in the classroom.



The children learnt about biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste. The plan is to start a copost heap in the coming year.

Classroom project (1st and 2nd std): the sense of seeing







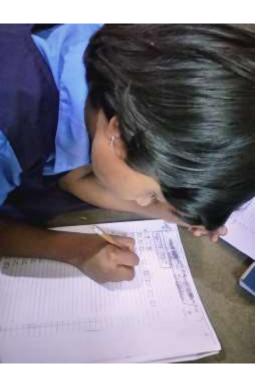
1st and 2nd standard children explored about sight by looking at books on inclusion of people who are visually challenged. They also looked at how different animals, birds and insects see the world.

Classroom project (1st and 2nd std): the sense of hearing. The children are learning some simple sign language.





Developing language skills







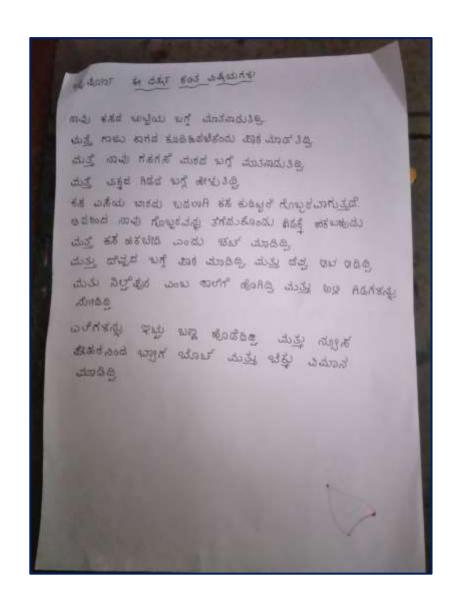


Over the year children both at Kumbarahalli School and Tarabanahalli school have improved their reading, writing, listening and speaking skills in Kannada. The children have written reading cards for each other about friendship, ghosts, their dreams and families.

As a final formative assessment for the last year in March the children were asked to write independently in Kannada about activities they remembered of the last year.

- We talked about the waste and we have to separate the glass and paper.
- We learn t that we mustn't just throw the waste but collect it for the compost. We can use it for the trees.
- We made posters about not throwing rubbish.
- We talked and made reading cards aabout friendship.
- We talked about ghosts and played 'ghost play'.
- We looked at the cherry trees and eka plant.
- We came to Silvepura .We did leaf rubbings there.
- We made bags from old newspaper.(

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Pre—workshop activity on leaves in the school







Before the workshop the children had an activity to learn how to describe diverse leaves.

Nature immersion workshops – Tarabanahalli Children 11.12.22.



Children the garden includidoing a range of activities in ng a listening exercise, observation walk and collecting leaves to make prints and rubbings.















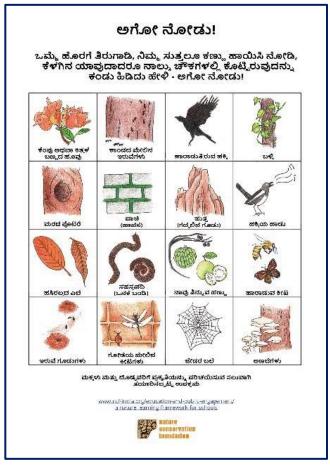
Workshops: Kempapura children 3rd, 4th and 5th standards.11.01.23.

The day's activities included an observation walk through the garden particularly looking at trees. The children noticed an edible fungus on a fallen tree trunk.

The children then had a matching activity and had to find leaves and make patterns.

They also worked in pairs to do bark rubbings.

Kempapura children's workshop cont.









The children working in pairs to complete a nature bingo game .

Workshops: Adwaya School, Bengaluru (February 2023)





A workshop was held with 40 first and second standard children from Adwaya School, Bengaluru. Activities included drama, pattern making with natural materials and craft.



Library work

During the year children have been borrowing books and creating reading cards for each other. Below we see children from 4th and 5th standard selecting books to take home for the summer vacation. Each child was allowed two books.



Gousia goes once a week to the community library in Silvepura to read Kannada and Hindi books with the children.





Medicinal Garden







Children from Kempapura and Tarabanahalli taking potting and taking medicinal plants home.



Additional activities

On the 20th and 21st March 2023 a meeting was held at TFTLC on the subject of Exploring ways to support children's awareness, connection with nature through stories and poetry.

!8 people took part. Participants included authors and illustrators of environmental books for children, teachers, resource developers including Dr Jayshree Subramaniam who worked for many years at the Homi Bhabha Science Institute in Mumbai to develop the Small Science series and staff from NCF.

■ In February the FTLC conduced a virtual workshop on Read Alouds for the trainees of Buguri Learning Centre as they prepare to become library educators.

Forward Plans

- In the coming year we plan to increase the number of nature immersion workshops with local schools.
- We will be continuing some workshops with the library educators of Buguri.
- We plan to use an environmental book that is based om the flora and fauna of Tarabanahalli with the children there.
- The kannada primer has been used with children who are visually challenged and there are plans by the organization Empower Vision t print it in Braille.

Expenditure for TFTLC October 2022 March 2023 – ASHA contribution

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    Balance from September 2022 Rs. 50, 193.00.

    Received from Asha

                      Rs, 3,30,000.00
Salaries
                                Rs. 2,37,600.00
Professional tax April – March Rs. 4,800.00
Development of Kannada materials Rs.
                                     9,000.00
Auditor's fees
                                 Rs. 17,700.00
Uploading Kannada primer
                                Rs. 11,550.00
Transport
                                 Rs.
                                        500.00
TOTAL
                                 Rs. 2,81,150.00
Cash Received
                            Rs.3,30,000+ +50,193.00 = 3,80,193.00.
Expenditure
                                                     2,81,150.00
Balance
                                                       99,043.00
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Comment on account

• Please note that we are owing approximately Rs 18,000. for Auditing fees for the year April 2022 – March 2023.

■ An amount of Rs. 99,043.00 as balance remains from Asha's contribution as we did not employ a part time librarian as planned earlier. We would request that this amount be carried forward to cover auditing fees and the monthly salary of a part time gardener.

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