

SEED Plan – 2011

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Students and Volunteers**

Annual Report

This documentation is done by our SEED students and volunteers. Here our children narrate their experiences in the program. Our volunteers translated children's native writing into English. We encourage the children to participate and know what we are doing for them. Our children here share the fruitful moments of the past year with you.

NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



Around the world, every one celebrated New Year in this day. We, the SEED children too arranged programs for this special day. Part of the program, each student narrated their unforgettable moments in the previous year. Young children also said their memorable moments and most of the students narrated their joyful moments in center programs. Everyone took oath on that day. We all greeted each other. We all enjoyed the first day of the year...

-M.Muthu Kumar (1st B.E.)

Tamil Nadu Murpokku Ezhuthalar Sangam

On behalf of our library club, we went to modern writers (Tamil) forum's cultural program, which was organized by Tamil Nadu modern writers' forum. Most of the important writers around modern Tamil literature organized and participated in the program and we were sat as audience. We had a chance to see writers, whose works we read in our library. In this program well known organic farming scientist Nammalvar gave an interesting and informative speech on importance of organic farming. Writer & film director Prabhu Salaman also gave talk. We saw interesting onstage performances like fencing, silambattam, kuthirai attam, oyil, karagam and modern theatre performances. We all returned from the program at 2a.m., in the morning. We enjoyed and learnt a lot.....

-N. Asan Mohammed (I B.A. Economics)

Children's Club Election - 2011



We conducted Children's Club election for 2011. This year; we conducted election for two posts (President and secretary). This year 10th std students got the opportunity to contest in the election. President post had been reserved for girls. All the contestants

had their own electoral symbols. We went for canvassing and campaign. Volunteers Vivek Anna was the election officer. We have polled our votes in the ballots. After an hour the results came up. Priya has been elected as the Student President for the year of 2011.

M. Mani Kandan has been elected as the Secretary for children's club 2011. All the candidates and children gave their wishes. Former Secretary and President hand over their responsibilities to the new ones. All the contestants thanked the voters. We wished our new leaders.

-K.GOWTHAM.(XI std)

PONGAL CELEBRATION



In the day of Pongal, the students from Sambakkudi and Thathaneri came to Karumbalai centre. All of the students and volunteers prepared Pongal and they distributed to all happily. They resembled our Tamil culture by wearing dhoti and sari. On that celebration, we had a chief guest, Dr. Shoundharapandian from Apollo hospital. He came with his family. Art book

which was prepared by our students was released on that occasion. Our chief guest released that book. Then we went to ESI ground for playing outdoor games in the afternoon. The three centre's students joined together and played games such as Kabadi, kho-kho, cycle race and tug of war. In the evening, we arranged Urri atithal (a traditional game of breaking the hanging pot) for Pongal celebration.

- I.ASARTHEEN(XII std)

MATTU PONGAL



On January 16th, we celebrated our Mattu Pongal in Vasuki Akka's home, one of the SEED volunteer. On the way, we saw a bakery then we stood there. She bought some sweets for us. Then we went to her home by bus. In the entrance of her house, we saw her dog. Its name was Ramu. It was so cute, and then we ate some foods there. Then we went to her friend's home we talked about ourselves. Then we went to the festival ground where many of the folk games and gun shooting (balloon) many fun activity stalls were placed. We all participated in it. Then we went to few temples around her home which has been decorated nicely and we prayed for all our centre friends. We had our lunch at her home. We chat with her parents and rest for a while there. Then we get wishes from her parents and returned to SEED centre by bus. It was one of the important days in our life. It was the first time we celebrated the Mattu Pongal in a volunteer's home...

-A.ASHOK (IX std)

ARAVIND EYE HOSPITAL



We went to the Aravind Eye Hospital to see 'Eye' expo in the afternoon. We learnt how a visually challenged person could feel small things. We saw different types of eye lens in the expo. We understood that we have to save eyes .we

gained knowledge of anatomy and physiology of eye and then we also learnt how to ratify problems. We practiced some eye exercises and we saw a documentary film about eye. From this, we learnt about the donation of eye after death. Arvind Eye hospital is founded by a Madurai based service minded doctor with 10 beded hospital but now it's one the world's leading eye care hospital. It's really proud and we learn the hard work of that great man Dr. Venkataswamy. This is very useful expo for us.

-R.Sikkantharammal (XII std)

REPUBLIC DAY

On 26th January, morning at 7:30a.m., we came to centre for republic day celebration. SEED children's club president friend Priya hoisted the National flag on this wonderful day. Secretary Manikandan gave Republic day Message to all the children. Children sang the National Anthem.



Sweets were distributed by sir and Volunteers. Then all went to their school and colleges for celebration. In the evening, we went to a craft exhibition where we had a chance to see all the

wonders of hand works, done by north east tribes. All the products were made of Bamboo. It was too costly to buy but we purchased two wall works of low costs. We met different people from interior parts of India. Thank you

-Aayisa Begam (Xstd)

WORLD CUP – 2011



In the evening of 13.2.11, all of our students assembled for a discussion about the world cup cricket. All of our SEED students participated in that discussion. All of us knew about cricket. In the program, our students told about the history of cricket and also we

talked about the teams history in the World cup, participating in 2011 world cup and rules and regulation of it. That time we talked about the best cricket players and the best teams in the world. India had more chances for winning the world cup because of world cup took place in India's subcontinent. Each student expressed about the cricket. Most of the students talked about Sachin Tendulkar. We spent the time with useful talks about the world cup, 2011. As per our guess, India won the world cup after 28 years and gave it to Sachin Tendulkar on 2.4.11 at Mumbai. Thank you

-A.N.L. SARANATH

Chithra Festival

Madurai is also called as Festival city because, in Madurai every month, we have a festival around the city. Among all that, Chithra is the first and the best festival in Madurai. It's known as Summer Festival.

All SEED students had an opportunity to see the festival. We went to see Meenakshi in the evening when she came on the flower chariot to greet all the

devotes. We've seen the goddess and all the gods coming to see the commons in the important lanes of Madurai.

After the holy marriage took place, Meenakshi and her husband lord Shiva came in a big chariot all the way to four masi streets. We all went there to see that event. On that evening we went to Perumal temple to see Meenakshi's brother God Kallazhagar. In all the streets of Madurai, devotees of Alagar gave cool drinks, butter milk and water to the public. Some gave Pongal, lemon rice and curd rice to the public which is the tradition of Madurai. We also participated in it. In the material world Madurai is still alive with traditional values. We like and love our city very much. God wore green silk dress and elders around us told that this year, we'll have good growth in agriculture. Because, green represents growth. A festival always stands for its culture and traditional values. We, all the Madurai people celebrated the festival irrespective of our identity. Thank you

- A.SANKARAPANDIAN (XII std)

DR .TED ADAM'S BIRTH DAY CELEBRATION

In this celebration, Dr .Ted Adams sir shared his childhood events with students. We made a photo presentation with sir's photograph from childhood.



SEED students performed dance for two songs with our dance teacher Vasuki. Junior students played a drama. He shared his childhood days with his parents, how they educated him and how he celebrated his first birthday. His mother loved him a lot. He loves his elder sister (Kay). SEED students gave him the birthday greetings. The drama was very useful for us. SEED students conveyed their greetings to him. We enjoyed wonderful event

with sir. Then sir went to sambakudi and Thathaneri centre to see the children on this wonderful day.

- G. Suguna Devi(X std)

Knowing our Earth – Geography Entertaining Sessions



We always learn new facts and news from Adams sir's class. In this summer and the whole year he entertained and gave fun to us. In the mean time, he shared his experience. We learnt some facts and news about earth and weather from media every day.

When we talk with sir, we are getting thinking ability and how to learn around us, here we see how we learnt.

Sir explained to us how they draw lines around earth. We are having continuous sun light but some part of world doesn't have sun light for few months. We were surprised to hear that. Frequent to that we saw the living animals and plants in that climatic condition.

During his frequent sessions, he taught us how to read the map and we calculated population density in African and Asian countries and we compared with European countries and Australia. From which we identified how population also plays a vital role in development. All the class children participated as a group, we learnt and found out facts and presented in front of the entire group.

During the sessions we saw many videos of BBC. We weren't able to travel that far but we got that felling while watching those videos. We saw the diversity and uniqueness of every organism in the world. In our theatre hall

(a room) we traveled around earth we felt cold, hot and adventurous. We thank sir. For giving us a chance to see all the world geography in our centre. In our home we watch some time the discovery channel after this session but parents can occupy the channel. But here we can watch and get clarification immediately. We want to continue learning about science and geography. We need to learn English quickly then only we can get much more sir class because half the time has gone for translation. Thank you

M. MANIKANDAN(XI std)

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE VISIT

Karumbalai, Thathaneri and Sambakkudi students were organized by SEED volunteers then went to Madurai Agricultural College. From the entrance to the campus we went by vehicle around 5 minutes. On the way we saw gardens and lots of small plants. That place gave us experience like a village. First, we went to a mushroom cultivation shed. A professor explained us about how to cultivate mushrooms. We saw variety of mushrooms. They were very exciting to see. Then we went to a garden and saw variety of plants.



Then we went to the plant pathology department. The professor, who was working in that college, explained us about the plant diseases which were caused by insects, and how to prevent it. All the students took notes in their note book. Then we went to VERMI COMPOST

preparing place. There we learnt how to prepare the vermi- compost chamber. They awarded us about the organic fertilizer. There are many business opportunities are there in agriculture which had a lot of profit making. The

SEED students thought that, this was the wonderful opportunity to learn much useful information. Thank you

-A.SANKARAPANDIAN (XII std)

Sustainable Environment



In our centre we have many clubs like science, arts and language. Every week we will have programs on behalf of a club. Science club organized a program on “Sustainable Environment”. We invited Dr. Dinakaran, professor in the department of zoology from Madura collage. He gave visual presentation on population and threats to environment. During his presentation he explained about the shocking facts on environment and earth.

He said that by 2020, 50 million people in earth will become environmental refugees. All the science students raised many questions during the program. He’s a college professor but he gave answers to all the questions of our children. We thanked him and gave greeting cards to him.

Prof. Dinakaran suggested us to have frequent discussions on these matters. All students learnt and got many lessons out of this seminar. Thank you

- K.SATHEESKUMAR (XII std)

MUSH ROOM CULTIVATION



All the students were interested to learn how to cultivate the mushrooms with the help of the waste products like paddy straw. We brought seeds from Agriculture college. There are many steps involved in cultivating mushrooms. We prepared medium to grow mushrooms.

We On that day, all the students brought the things which were helpful in the mushroom cultivation. Thamarai Anna and Vikki Anna led the students in a very good manner. Then, all the students learnt how to cultivate the mushroom and done it properly. Then the cultivated mushrooms were taken to Meenakshi's house. In her house the cultivated mushrooms were cooked and taken to our centre. All the students ate happily. Thank You

- J. ANTONY VINOTH

TEPPAKULAM AND THIRUMALAI NAICKER MAHAL VISIT



On May 11th, we went to Theppakulam Mariamman temple at 5.30 pm by bus. We prayed to god and went to the places near the temple. We went to see Kolu in the temple. Then we went to Thirumalai Naicker Mahal by

auto. At that time we saw a sound and light program held at 7.00 pm in Naicker palace. This show was based on the life of Naicker relations and revolutions. It was so amazing. It was carried



out of the past and present life of Naicker's family norms. This show mainly talked about Naicker's history, architect, and diagnostics. It was useful for our study. Thank you

-A. Sharmila Banu(XI std)

VIVEKNANDA EXPRESS VISIT

All our SEED students went to the railway junction to see Vivekananda express. We learned about his birth, work and his life time achievements. This exhibition train had many compartments. Each one carried different topics related to that topic visuals has been placed. We saw many photos of Vivekananda. In the final compartment they put a stall and sold his books and the charity under his name took the credit for the work. We went to the railway junction by an auto. We enjoyed the travel by auto very much. For many students this is the first time in a train to walk and the interior of the train has been designed superbly we amazed the railways department works. We came to know a lot of things about Vivekananda. This trip was very useful for all of us....

-G. SUGUNA DEVI (X std)

RAFIQ ANNA'S VISIT

One of our SEED supporters, Rafiq Anna came to our centre with his family. He listened and heard the activities and programs that happened in our centre. Then he came to know more information about the achievements of the SEED students. Rafiq anna introduced himself to the new students, his wife and children were introduced themselves. We enjoyed the chat. He wondered about the children's presence in the evening. He said that SEED students were specialists in all activities so they were excited. We all thanked Adams sir for creating this place to learning new every day. Thank you

A.N.L.SARANATH(XII std)

Independence Day



It was an important day to be remembered. Because India got independence in this day. We joined together in our SEED Plan at 7.00A.M. The flag was hoisted by Mani, the secretary in our SEED Plan. He gave good speech and some information in history for

a few minutes. The function finished with Nation Anthem. The sweets were distributed by Priya, the president of our children's club. Afternoon, we decorated our SEED Plan for evening function. We invited Mr. Coodalingam, the Principal MISS Collage, Mr. Gnana guru, the professor from MISS Collage and Mrs. Rubee Malliga, the history teacher from O.C.P.M School.

Students have prepared books under three tittle **Maduraiyai Suttralam Vanga volume I and II**(Madurai history), **Engal Thatha Babuji**(History of Gandhiji) and **Sivappum Vellaium** (comparison between Marx and Gandhi). The history books were prepared by our SEED children writers. The writers team has been lead by our centre historian Mr. Vikki anna. SEED Plan library's hand written production were released by our Honorable chief guests Mr. Koodalingam, Mrs. Rubee Malliga and Mr.Gnana Guru. We enthusiastically heard the message given by the guests. Mrs. Rubee Malliga distributed prizes for the students. Next the guests were thanked by Manikandan and art club students gave a greeting card for the guests. The function finished well. Thank you

-S.SOUNTHARAPANDIAN (XI std) AND K.SATHEESKUMAR(XII Std)

Thathaneri Annual Day Celebration



Before Krishna Jayanthi, in Karumpalai centre volunteers conducted a song competition. Top ranked singers got the opportunity to go to Thathaneri annual day. Thathaneri centre students and volunteers organized the program. They prepared annual day report and read them in front of the guest. Children performed drama and dance. All the programs had been well co-ordinated and participated by all the children. We really like the performance and efforts of our children and volunteers. This Krishna Jayanthi will be an unforgettable day in my life. Thank you

-N.Pradeepa (VIII std)

RAMZAN AND VINAYAGAR SATHOORTHY



Morning around 10.30a.m., in SEED centre we celebrated the Ramzan. All our Muslim students explained about the importance of the holy day and they shared their religious rituals and beliefs we knew few Islamic practices from their talks. Then in the afternoon Muslim students brought lunch and we all sat together and shared the lunch with each other. We were really happy to celebrate functions together.

In the evening we prepared for Vinayagar Sathoorthy function. Five skits were practiced for the next day stage. We performed the next day. One team performed the myth of



Vinayagar's origin. Girls team did a dance performance, young and elder children sang two spiritual prayer songs. Our students made sundal for god. After prayer, we all shared the sundal together. We are always happy when we are in a festival celebration.

-S. Sameema Banu (XI std)

TEACHER'S DAY



All educational institutions celebrate Dr. Radha Krishnan's birthday as teacher's day in India. Our SEED centre also celebrates the Teacher's day. We want to honor our volunteers who teaching us every day. In that evening, all of the students wished Adams sir for teacher's day. Every one of our students said about their favorite teachers(volunteers) who they like and volunteers shared their favorite teachers who they come across in school and colleges. Students conducted fun games for volunteers. All of the SEED volunteers got a memento [book] from the students. Thank you

-K.VIVEK (XII std)

Book Fair

In Madurai, book fair has been conducted for the 6 year. We went to the book fair. We selected the book which we liked. We bought this book for SEED Library. Many children like us don't have the chance to select books and read. But we got the chance form centre. We choose the book we like. Limited cost was given by SEED centre to buy the book. We went to the "TAMUKKAM" ground. We saw different stalls consist of many books. I bought JANSI RANI



and VELUNACHIYAR books. The two persons were famous women leaders in India. We told the reason why we chose the book in SEED centre. The trip to book fair was very enjoyable and useful to us.

-R .Sikkantharammal (XII std)

ALAGAR KOVIL FIELD WORK



We went to Alagar kovil on that day. We came to centre in the morning first and then moved to Alagar kovil. Mean while Thathaneri centre students came to Alagar kovil. In that place, our volunteer, Samundeeswari sister spoke about the diversity of organisms which are present in that hill. Jegatheeswaran spoke about the insects. Students listened to the speech with interest and enjoyment. Then we started to climb the hill. After few minutes, we reached one place, where we saw some bamboo trees. And then some information was taught by Thamarai Anna to students about the bamboo trees. Then we moved on to nearby water channel and the speech was given by Jegatheeswaran about the insects. We saw some insects and spiders then we learnt the difference between them. Then Thamarai Anna taught to the students about lichens, symbiotic relationship, types of leaves, mono and dicotyledonous plants and then Sameema Banu spoke about the five kingdom classifications and two kingdom classifications to the students. Then Mani Kandan spoke about that place.

We moved on to the temple. That temple is a lord Muruga's temple. This is one of the six houses of lord Muruga. It's known as PAZHAMUTHIRSOLAI. We ate our lunch in that place. We went to a place that contains holy water and enjoyed a lot. We saw many monkeys and played with them and were afraid of some of them. Then Vignesh Anna led us to come down then we collected the samples of some leaves for preparing herbarium. Then we again went to another temple and came back...

-S. Sameema Banu (XI std)

American History

We don't know the Indian history from the beginning. So, we felt that we had to learn American history first. Adams sir, Vikki Anna (history student) Vinoth Anna, gave their presentation in selected topics to cover American history Adams sir & Vikki Anna covered most of the topics. Sir has narrated the history as a story. So, we all enjoyed hearing the story. Sir gave the mile stones and important events & bill passed in the history of United States of America. We have known great leaders of America, who brought the country to a powerful state in the world. This is the first time in SEED; we have a continuous seminar on American history. We thank Vikki Anna for organizing this seminar thank you to let us know about a country's history.

M. Manikandan (XI std)