

Activities of Kalpataru Special School run by Sandhya Sanwardhan Snatha

Academic Year 2025-26

Every year we inform you about our activities through our 'Annual Report'! This year also we carried out various activities & programmes for overall development of our students to showcase their hidden talent!!

The good news, this year is that our Hostel construction is almost complete; only furniture & fixture fittings is remaining which will be completed through CSR, soon!! Till then we are extending our PRC (Parents Relief Centre) services to the parents.

This year 6 new admissions have been done in schooling (4 Boys & 2 Girls). Out of these six students, five are from Butibori & one is from Nagpur.

Before opening of the school our Orientation session was organised for the parents to make them aware about rules & regulations of the school & also the bus route etc. They were also introduced to the staff of the school.

In last 2-3 years it has been seen that the number of students seeking admission in schooling section is more from Manewada area but due to paucity of seats in the bus we are unable to admit these students.

Special Education: - This year we admitted 6 new students. 2 admitted in Autistic class, 2 in Pre-Primary, 1 each in Primary & Pre-Vocational class. There were 63 students in schooling (38 boys & 25 girls).

This year 'Disha Abhiyan' curriculum was taught by 10 special teachers in 10 classes!

From this year 'Divyang Kalyan Ayuktalay' (दिव्यांग कल्याण आयुक्तालय) has made the 'Disha Abhiyan' curriculum mandatory to all special schools run for mentally challenged students. It is really heartening that we have received '**Disha Implementing School Certificate**' for the year 2024.

To improve motor skill, teaching aids have been provided from Pre-Primary to Pre-Vocational students. These TLM (Teaching & Learning Materials) are prepared & donated to the needs of our students by one of our parents Mrs. Medha Joshi. We are very grateful to her for that. These TLM are in attractive colours & laminated & so liked by the students.

On 15th of May our Principal Mrs. Megha Kulkarni retired after long association with Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha. In her place Mrs. Shubhangi Joshi has been elevated to the post of Principal as per seniority.

Rehabilitation Unit: - 10 students (8 boys & 2 girls) in Vocational class will be shifted to Vocational unit as per their parents' wishes & in the interest of the students.

This year in all 55 students (38 boys & 17 girls) contributed in our 7 Rehabilitation units (Bouquet, Rakhi, Panti, Gudhi, Handloom, Charkha). File making & Screen Printing unit could not run to the fullest capacity due to lack of orders, but Bouquet unit is now established very well with overwhelming response from the society. This year we have bought a new Handloom Unit from Gopuri-Wardha, so that more students can be accommodated in Handloom Unit to make more Yoga Mats, Satranjees etc. Star Circlip Unit is doing well.

This year students prepared Rakhis almost full year & sold it through 22 stalls organised at various places. 350 no. of Gudhis were also sold.

Last year we started making Dhoop sticks from Cow dung & premix. Students made 200 packets of Dhoop which were sold like hot cake.

Diwali diyas were sold through 11 stalls with good response.

By selling all these goods we want to give a message to the society that "बुद्धीमंदन यह कार्यशक्ती मंदन नहीं हैं।"

In spite of this, many a times we have to say 'No' to the, order of goods as our students are all special children they have their moods swings & problems & also lack of adoptive behaviour. Still they do great job & material made by them reaches you. We at 'Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha' humbly thank all our well wishers & volunteers who manages our stalls & help us directly or indirectly.

In June 2025, dental check-up camp was organised by Ranjit Deshmukh Dental College, Nagpur for our students likewise two General medical check up camps were organised for the students, Dr. Ravi Deshpande examined the students & necessary remarks & findings were solicited to the respective parents.

Developmental Therapy: - In total, physiotherapy was delivered to 60 students. Therapy was given to 33 students for weight control, for remaining students therapy was delivered to minimise the spasticity, hyperactivity & muscular weakness.

The result of therapy is also been visible as Himani Hadke who could not sit stable at one place can sit stable now & her concentration is also increased, Chinmay Diware's sensory issues are lessened now.

Hansika Rajurkar who could not stand without support can now stand on her own & can walk 100 steps in the supervision of staff. Likewise, there is a great progress in Ganesh Mirche's balancing act as well as hand grip.

The parents are advised to send their wards regularly to school & Physiotherapy workshop.

A local 4 year old girl is coming to early intervention session since Feb. 2024 initially she had no neck control, now there is progress in neck control as well as development in other physical activities also.

Parents Meeting: - in all 8 parents meeting were conducted. 4 at Butibori school premises & 4 at Pratap Nagar Primary School at Nagpur. Through these meetings essential instructions are given to parents. Parents too raise various essential issues regarding different functions / arranging stalls etc. is given in these meetings. Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha's Chairman, Secretary & Director address these meetings.

Cultural Activities: - 11th 'विश्व योगदिन' was organised by NIEPID at Kanha Village, Dist.- Rangareddi (Telangana). Our students participated in it & also presented 'Fusion Band' which was very well received by the audience.

The Independence Day was celebrated at our school, Dr. Raman Chaudhari, Chief of Chaudhari Hospital, Butibori was the chief guest. Cultural programme was presented by our students. On 19th August 'Dahi Handi' was celebrated by the students.

Like every year, this year also Ganeshji was installed, decoration of this year was dedicated to "Operation Sindoor". On 5th of September, Teachers' day was celebrated by 'Matru Sangharsha' – our mothers group. Parents & staff expressed their views on the event of Teachers Day. Parents by showing gratitude towards teachers & staff gave away gifts to all staff.

On 12th October 33rd Annual Function with theme 'रसरंग जीवन के' was celebrated at Mundle Hall. Shri S. B. Misra, Managing Director – Minex Metallurgical Company Ltd. was chief guest. Swami Gunadanand of Ramkrishna math made the day by his auspicious presence. Our students show cased their presentations. Fusion band presented by the students stole the show.

On 19th November a cultural show for Divyang students 'Guldasta – Art for all' was organised by S.V.K. Educational Institute & Zankar Mahila Mandal WCL at Freedom Park Metro Station Hall. Our students presented 'गाडी घुंगराची' a dance show which was very well received by the audience.

World handicapped Day (3rd December) was celebrated by the students with fun & fare. All students did March-Past followed by Music, Drawing competition etc.

On 13th December, Students went to 'Gandhi Sevagram Ashram' for Picnic. All staff & students experienced peace & serenity there.

On 22nd & 23rd January Annual Sports Day was organised after a gap of 2 years. As the construction of Hostel Building was going on; Sports day could not be organised.

For whole two days, students were seen enjoying Nimbu-Chammach, Wheel Chair race, Musical chair, 100 meter running, Passing the Parcel etc. while elder students were busy in 5 over cricket. Flying Disc throw, Long jump, 200 meter running etc.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the sports bonanza. The winners were given prizes/mementos by the chief guest at 26th January function.

26th January, republic day was celebrated as usual with great joy. Shri Jaideep Sathe was chief guest for the function. Shri Sathe had a long association with Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha. In this function our students sang the group song independently on their own for the first time.

On 19th February, Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti was celebrated in the school. On this occasion cultural programme, patriotic songs were presented by the students & staff. Mrs Vandana Mazumdar was the chief guest for the function, Mrs Rasika Kanore & trustees of the sanstha graced the function.

On 2nd March, festival of colours – Holi was celebrated in the school. After performing pooja by sanstha's Secretary Dr. R. M. Uttarwar, all boys & staff celebrated holi by applying Gulal to each other.

On 22nd March, our students presented 'Ganesh vandana' in a cultural programme organised by 'संवर्धिनी न्यास' at Mundle Hall.

Parents Relief Centre (PRC): - In 2025-26, 6 students took advantage of PRC facility & for 34 days these services were utilised. To avail this facility, parents have to intimate in advance to the PRC committee. After committees affirmation, the proper staff is assigned for this task. This facility can be availed twice in a calendar year & for maximum 8 days at a time. From last year, this facility has been made paid facility & every day charge is Rs. 500/-. This amount goes to the staff on PRC duty.

Parents Workshop/Staff Workshop: - Every 1st & 3rd Saturday, only staff come to school, students have the holiday. On these days staff discuss the behavioural problems of the students, some case studies are taken for discussion & necessary instructions/guidance is given to concerned staff.

On 21st March a workshop was organised for parents on the subject ‘Bahaviour Problem’ of students. Dr. Prabodh, Chairman of Prabodh Education Trust guided the parents. He spoke at length on the behaviour problems & suggested some remedies to overcome these problems. At the end of the workshop, he replied to the queries & questions of the staff & parents.

The workshop followed by lunch for the parents, students & staff of the school.

Public Awakening: - Total 7 awareness meetings were conducted this year. All meeting were organised at Butibori. Detail elaboration is made about Mental Retardation, in these meetings also information about Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha & its activities is given to the participants.

Residential Camp: - Summer camp was organised from 2nd of May to 10th May at Butibori premises. In all 20 students (14 Boys & 6 Girls) participated in the camp.

Excluding bus drivers, all male staff was present in the camp while 2 ladies staff was present by roaster in the camp. To motivate the student & staff, secretary Dr. Uttarwar was present full time in the camp. During the camp students were made accustomed with washing of cloths, cleaning of utensils, Cooking, shaving, to up keep of premises etc.

In the camp various activities like Bhajan, Yoga, Shramdaan & Sports such as carom, Table Tennis etc. were carried out.

On Sunday after completing shramdaan all staff & students were assembled around Shri Dilip Bhalerao Sir, Shri. Bhalerao is a sketch artists & was to sketch the school building on canvas from different angles. All the students were with him for the whole period.

On the last day of the camp, students & staff expressed their views about the outcome of the camp.

Corporate Social Responsibility: - This year WCL through their CSR generously funded for the wall compound & Sewage Treatment Plant (STP). STP was designed & installed by Sun Enviro technologies, Nagpur. On 17th May WCL General Manager (CSR) Shri Sitaraman officially inaugurated all these projects.

On this occasion, he assured us of help in our future projects, he also gave away prizes to our students for their various achievements.

On 17th March Megha Mahila Mandal – WCL donated us an industrial R.O. & water cooler.

This year Lamken (India) Agro Equipments Pvt. Ltd. donated us various white goods such as Water Cooler, Fridge, Washing machine, Fans, Sound Systems, and Camera etc. through CSR.

Transportation: - Our special bus which was sponsored by ‘ASHA FOR EDUCATION, USA’ was off the road for 2 consecutive years due to the construction work on ring road. Nevertheless its maintenance, tax, permit was kept up to date. We are planning to ply the special bus in the coming session.

Sports: - Yoga & Sports are very important for physical fitness as well as for mental concentration.

Keeping this in mind we at Sandhya Sanwardhan Sanstha have included this into our curriculum. Students do yoga twice in a week & various sports such as Football, Musical Chair, Running, badminton etc. students play for 3 days. In yoga, students do Sharir Sanchalan, Tadasan, Trikonasan, Omkar Dhyam etc.

Apart from this once in a week students do P.T. with the help of modelling.

Hostel: - Civil work of hostel building has been completed, also required fixtures like fans, water heaters etc. which we have received under CSR have been installed. Now what is required is furniture, beds etc for which proposals have been submitted to various agencies under CSR. Soon the infrastructure with furniture etc. gets completed and we will start sanctioning procedure with Govt. Social Welfare dept. Etc. Hope this all will be done as early as possible!!



Annual Programme 2025 – Present Fusan Band



Medical Check-up



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Yoga



Student participated in International Yoga Day in NIEPID, Secundarabad



WCL General Manager (CSR) visit to our school at Butibori



Student participated in International Yoga Day in NIEPID, Secundarabad



Student participated in International Yoga Day & presented 'Fusan Band' in NIEPID, Secundarabad



Sport Day



Republic Day Celebration



Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti Celebratrion



Dental Check-up at 'Sandhya Shrushti' Butibori