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January 2019

- **Swami Vivekanand Jayanti**
  National Youth Day was celebrated at all the centers of Apna Skool on the occasion of the 155th birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. Detailed information about his life and teachings were given to the students. Teachers urged students to adopt his teachings; students took an oath to follow his path. The celebration started with pushparpan to Swami Ji. Students drew pictures and wrote Swami Ji’s quotes on walls and, also performed some cultural activities.

- **Republic day celebration (26 January 2019):**
  Republic Day celebrations at all Apna Skool centers commenced with Prabhat Pheri (Morning March). Students collectively marched in nearby villages and brick kiln sites, to bring awareness about current issues amongst people through songs, posters, slogans, and plays. They also raised slogans about Independence of India, its glories and rich history, to consolidate action against Corruption, need for conservation of water, and to save energy.

- **Cultural Events:**
  Apna Skool Tatiyaganj students performed in nearby village Panaupurwa to spread the awareness of the importance of education for girls through plays and several activities. Students performed on great personalities and freedom fighter of our country, Savitri Bai Phule, Mahatma Gandhi, Rani Laxmi Bai, Subhas Chandra Bose, Bhagat Singh, Swami Vivekanand, and Subramaniam Bharti. A large number of people of the village attended the event and profusely appreciated the efforts of the students.
Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi-Martyrs Day (January 30th)
Martyrs day 30th January, all Students, and teachers at all the centers of Apna Skool pay homage to the father of the nation on this day

Visitors.

IIT Kanpur Students visited Apna Skool center (26 January 2019).
Ph.D. Scholar IIT Kanpur, Manish, Narendra, Bhawan visited Apna Skool on the occasion of republic day and joined in Prabhat Pheri (morning march) with the students. They interacted with the students and told about the importance of education and inspired them to study.

Dr. Ashok Gupta, Ohio University:
Pragati Foundation founded by Dr. Ashok Gupta, an alumnus of IIT Kanpur, visited Kanpur.
On 29th January 2019, Dr. Gupta visited the Apna Skool center in Maharajpur. He freely interacted with the students, enquiring them about their academic progress. His foundation is also providing scholarships to a few students from Apna Skool.
February 2019

- **Board Examination of Apna Skool mainstream students.**
  Apna Skool mainstream students appear for their 10th and 12th examination.

Class 10th examination is scheduled on 7th February to 28th February
1. Hema (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj),
2. Anjali (Apna Skool Dhamikheda)
3. Roli (Apna Skool Dhamikheda)
4. Alka (Apna Skool Dhamikheda)
5. Ranu (Apna Skool Dhamikheda)
6. Janhavi (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj)

These students appear for the class 10th board exam, and class 12th examination is going to be held from 7th February to 2nd March.

1- Ajay (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj)
2- Rahul (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj)
3- Amit (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj)

These are students appearing for the class 12th board exam.

- **Educational Trip to Kanpur Zoo (30th January and 16 February)**
- **Maharajpur and Sarsaul went on 30th January**
- **Apna Skool Tatiyaganj, Tikra (Murari center), Naseniya, Dedupur, and Manpur on 16th February**

Every year Apna Skool students have a local education trip, this year all students from Maharajpur side center went to Zoo on 30th January 2019 with three buses, while students from Tatiyaganj side center and Tikra center went to Kanpur Zoo on 16th February 2019 with three buses. Students explored different species in Zoo. There they saw a white peacock, one horn rhino and many more species. First time all students from Maharajpur side took a train ride in the zoon and enjoyed a lot during the train ride. At the end of the Zoo visit, we had a special meal arranged by Apna Skool itself for all of us.
• **Participation in the Annual Function of SVV Lodhar**

Swami Vivekanand Vidyalaya, Lodhar, Kanpur celebrated their annual function on 17th February. Students from APNA SKOOL also presented a cultural program in the annual function. Students (Golden, Mamta, Vandana, Pushpa, Neha, Khushi) danced to songs “School Chale Hum...” The crowd appreciated the effort of kids and applauded.

• **Science Day**

All the centers of Apna Skool celebrated 28th February, birth anniversary of Dr. C.V Raman as Science Day. On this day, students made small science models and presented to the Skool students. On this occasion, Apna Skool teachers took his class students to a nearby area and showed different species of plants and explained about them. Students were amazed after seeing seven colors of light through Newton’s prism experiment.

Visitors:

**Mayank Shukla From Asha for Education (23/02/2019):**
**Residence** – Kanpur, U.P, India

**Occupation:** Journalist (i-next news Paper)

Mayank Shukla from Asha for education came to visit Apna Skool centers on 23rd February. He visited Indra 2 & Dhamna centers of Apna skool. Students did many activities for him; then, asked about their studies. He was happy to see the energy of the students. He enquired about the progress report and attendance file of students and lesson plans of the class and center file of the center to understand the teaching process.
March 2019

- **Women’s Day:**
  On 8th March, on the occasion of Women’s Day, a parents-teachers interaction session was organized. We discussed the rights of women and their valuable role in our country. Teachers gave many examples and encouraged parents to allow their daughters to study. Documentary related to women’s role in our society and development was shown to them. Students took an oath that they will teach their parents and other people in brick-kiln, how to write their name.

**Article on ‘Apna Skool’ in Hindustan (09/03/2019)**
There is an article on ‘Apna Skool’ in Hindustan Kanpur edition of March 09, 2019.
http://epaper.livehindustan.com/.../Kanpur-Live/2019-03-09/43...

- **Apna Skool received benches and desk from Dr. Ashok Gupta founder of Pragati Foundation**
Apna Skool Tatiyaganj received 49 individual tables, and 15 three seater benches and Maharajpur center received 16 benches. Students were happy to get these facilities for his Skool.
• **Annual Examination:**
  
  *NIOS Annual Examination class 3 and class 5 (11 – 16 March 2019)*

Sixteen students of class three and five from various centers of Apna Skool appeared in Level A and B examination of Open Basic Education program; NIOS (National Institute of Open Schooling). Out of 19 students, 10 appeared in Level B and the rest in Level A examination.

• **Holi Celebration:**

On 20th March, the festival of Holi was celebrated. Kids learned the story behind Holi celebration. Teachers discussed that we should avoid only use herbal colours and Gulal Holi. Kids and teachers greeted each other with herbal Gulal.

• **Educational Trip of Apna Skool:**

  • **Delhi Trip (March 28 to 31 2019)**

All students (of Class 5th and above) with teachers of Apna Skool visited the capital city of India (New Delhi) from 28th to 31st March 2019. They thoroughly enjoyed the trip; we visited Akshardham temple, India Gate, National Museum, Sri Bangla Sahib Gurudwara, Rashtrapati Bhavan museum, Red Fort, Lotus Temple and also enjoyed the Metro ride in Delhi.
Visitors.

- **Abhishek and Ruchika Jain: 10 March 2019**
  Abhishek and Ruchika, student of IIT Kanpur, visited Murari center of Apna Skool, and interacted with students, Abhishek taught a poem called “Chhat par ek Bandar aya gaya” (A monkey came on the roof).

- **Dr. Ashok Gupta, Ohio University: (12 March 2019)**
  Pragati Foundation founded by Dr. Ashok Gupta, an alumnus of IIT Kanpur, visited APNA SKOOL
  Second time this year On 13th March 2019, Dr. Gupta visited the Apna Skool center in Tatiyaganj.
  During the interaction, all the students introduced themselves. Class 1st students wrote the name of Ashok Gupta and shown to him. Some student recited poems and played a play called “Three Monkeys of Mahatma Gandhi.” Students gave him thank you card.

- **Mr. Andriyu & Madam Marie from Belgium (20 March 2019)**
  Mr. Andriyu & Madam Marie visited the Apna Skool center in Tatiyaganj and celebrated Holi with Skool students. Students introduced in English to them, Students showed Belgium in the world map to them. They enjoyed the whole interaction with Apna Skool students.
April 2019

- **UP Board class 10th & 12th results:**
  UP Board class 10th & 12th results were announced on 27th April 2019. Six children from Apna Skool not only passed but also left a mark on board through their excellent performance.

- **CLASS 10th (All children got – above 60%)**

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<td>Anjali</td>
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<td>Alka</td>
<td>416</td>
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<td>Hema</td>
<td>415</td>
<td>600</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Ranu</td>
<td>398</td>
<td>600</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Roli</td>
<td>389</td>
<td>600</td>
<td>64.83 %</td>
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- **CLASS 12th**
  1-Ajay (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj) 2- Rahul (Apna Skool Tatiyaganj)

- **Puppet show “Mohan se Mahatma” (6 and 8 April)**

A puppet show “Mohan se Mahatma” based on the life of Mahatma Gandhi and his struggle to attain the independence was shown at Apna Skool –Tatiyaganj center, Dhamna center, Atwa center, Loha Center Maharajpur, by Mithilesh Dubey and his team from Varanasi.
- **Annual Function (21st April 2019)**

Annual function of Apna Skool was celebrated on 21st April this year at Tatyaganj center. Students and parents of all our centers joined us on this occasion. Students performed several cultural activities like Dance, plays, singing, poems, and qawwals. Kids also performed a puppet show.

On this occasion, Prayas IIT Kanpur and students from Apna Ghar also participated.

Parents enjoyed the performance of their kids. Apna Skool students, teachers, and coordinators helped to complete the annual function. Dinner was served for everybody who was there for the annual program. Apna Skool has two annual functions, one for Chouberpur centers and second for Maharajpur center as both the regions are far apart, assembling everybody at one center is difficult, so this Year Maharajpur center will celebrate the annual function on 4th May.

- **T-Shirt and Cap distribution**

Hats were distributed to all Apna Skool students to protect from heat as summer is on the rise.

A new uniform was also distributed to all students, this new uniform (T-shirts) has “Apna Skool” logo.

Students got excited to receive the uniform with “Apna Skool logo.”
VISITORS

- Soman Banerjee, Mahua Banerjee and Shivam Tripathi (Prof. Of I.I.T Kanpur): 06/04/2019
Prof. of IIT Kanpur visited Apna Skool Tatiyaganj. They interacted with Skool students. Students of class 1 read Hindi book for him and gifted handmade greetings card.

- Rahul Varman (Prof. Of I.I.T Kanpur –IME Department) and Manali Varman: 05/04/2019
Rahul and Manali Verman visited Apna Skool Dhamna and Apna Skool Loha and met with students and asked some states and capitals of India; students also recited a poem to them.
They went to the working site of brick-kilns and saw how brick being made, and also asked about the earnings from the working on the brick-kilns.

- Abhishek Savarnya and Meenakshi: 28/04/2019
Abhishek and Meenakshi, the student of IIT Kanpur, visited Apna Skool. He showed cartoon film based RTE (Right to Education) and explain their rights.

Health and hygiene
Our health guide, Sunita Srivastava, does regular health-related surveys and work. She distributes medicine, vitamins at all the centers of Apna Skool regularly. She goes to brick-kiln and discusses with the female worker about family planning, use of the toilet, toilet construction in brick-kilns, and also immunization.

- The toilet is constructed in brick-kiln Vibhu.
- The toilet is under construction in brick-kiln Kalra-3.
- B-complex is distributed to kids regularly on each center twice a week.
- Immunization is done for Hepatitis B, tuberculosis, Kali Khansi, BCG, DPT, Khasra, polio, etc.
- A dose of vitamin A is given to each kid in six months.
- The wormicde dose is given to kids in all centers.
- Under family planning, program pills and other tools are regularly distributed to parents. Some of the families are provided medical treatment also.

**Functioning centers of "Apna Skool" (January 19 - April 19)**

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<th>S.N</th>
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<td>Tatiyaganj-1 ApnaSkool (S.P, K-2, Jaisalw, K-3, Jaisalw M)</td>
<td>(1) Sanyogita (2) Nirmala (3) Pradeep Yadav</td>
<td>10:00 to 4:00</td>
<td>107</td>
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<td>Tatiyaganj-2 ApnaSkool (S.P, K-2, Jaisalw, K-3, Jaisalw M)</td>
<td>(1) Anil/Abhishek/Chandan (2) Urmila</td>
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<td>Primary School Dhamna (Rama+Deepak Brick Kiln)</td>
<td>(1) Ruchi Yadav (2) Hardas Srivastav</td>
<td>9:00 to 3:00</td>
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<td>Primary School Atwa (Rama+Modi Brick Kiln)</td>
<td>(1) Mithlesh</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Indra - 2 Apna Skool (Indra-II, Indra -III, 993, 995 Brick Kiln)</td>
<td>(1) Priyanka (2) Sachi (3) Shyam Babu (4) Khusbu</td>
<td>10:00 to 4:00</td>
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<td>(1) Manju Bala</td>
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<td>Primary School Naseniy (Khalsa +Badhawan +Murari Brick Kiln)</td>
<td>(1) Najma Khan</td>
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<td>Primary School Shahpur (Jaisalw Manpur Brick Kiln)</td>
<td>(1) Rajana Gupta</td>
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<td>Primary School Meghanipurva (Saran, Samrat +Bala Ji)</td>
<td>(1) Laxmikant Shukla/Raksha</td>
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<td>Students Studying in other Schools who are supported by Apna Skool</td>
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**Funding Sources :**

- ASHA for Education, Silicon Valley
- Vibha foundation
• Association for India's Development (AID), Portland
• Malala Foundation, Belgium
• R.V. foundation
• Owners of brick kilns, Kanpur: Although the support from brick kiln owners is minimal, some of the centers are getting a little assistance.
• Many individual donors (Kanpur, Bangalore, Jaipur, Kolkata, New Delhi, U.S.)

Volunteers
• Prayas, a volunteer group, Students of IIT Kanpur.

Important Links:
• [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NJhOEa4moNA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NJhOEa4moNA) A short film on Apna Skools (courtesy Sahara TV)
• [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WClEGMqdsX0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WClEGMqdsX0) Annual Day function and opinion of parents
• Webpage: [https://sites.google.com/site/apnaskools/](https://sites.google.com/site/apnaskools/)
• Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/apnaskool](https://www.facebook.com/apnaskool)

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Principal Co-ordinators: Ms. Vijaya Ramachandran, Shivam Tripathi
Sub Co-ordinators: Laxmikant Shukla, B.N. Sharma, Sangeeta Verma, Murari Kumar
Transport Co-ordinator: Manoj Shukla, Kripa Shankar Shukla
Health guide: Sunita Srivastava
Number of teachers currently employed: 22
Teacher-Student Ratio: 1:25

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