

Society of Grama Vikasa Saradhi: Tattabanda

Quarterly Report on Education Programme from April to June 2009

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In the month of April children were getting ready for free final and final examinations. In the First week of this month teachers conducted free final examinations to the children as they knew that some children were still little dull in their subjects through this examinations conducted before and they thought that these students had to be improved in their subject skill for final examinations. Our teachers worked very hard with these children for improving their subject skills for the final examinations. Teacher Laksmi has paid more attention on Class VI and VII students through extra classes in English, Maths and Science subjects after the school hours. These children went to the teacher's home for extra classes and they spent up to 3 hours. These children showed a lot of improvement in their subjects after attending the extra classes.



Class VII students



welcoming monsoon

Examinations

From 16th April 2009 final examinations started and were finished on 24th of April 2009. After their final examinations children wanted to spend one more week in the school for their next year classes. Parents and teachers were very happy with the children's attitude. After the final examinations teachers assessed all the children by correcting their answer sheets. All students got good result in their final examinations. LKG, UKG and class I children were assessed by the teacher Satyavathi, they didn't write any examinations, but they just drew pictures, made small objects out of mud and made tiny objects from waste paper (origami), and through this process teacher assessed these children.

At Gadabapalem School teacher Laksmi assessed the children of LKG, UKG and class I through the above process what Satyavathi has done at Kovilapalem School, but class II children had

written a small examination on their subjects. These students too got good marks in their subjects.

Class VII students Satya, Nookaraju, Devi, Nookaratnam, Padma and Srinu wrote Board Examinations at Chodavaram Government School on April 2009. Every day these students travelled almost 50 km to Chodavaram with their teacher by auto. Class VII students had to write Board Examinations to get admission in a Government School, our school doesn't have the permission from the Government to write these examinations at our school.

Summer Vacations and Reopen

Our school summer vacations started from 1st May 2009, this summer was very hot, but our children enjoyed a lot with mango and other seasonal fruits, some children went out to the fields with their parents for learning some of the agricultural practices and some children went to practice hunting.

School reopened on 8th of June 2009, all the children came back to their usual studying mood. Classes started from 10th of June 09.

Promotions

All our students were promoted to the next classes. Children were very happy about their promotions; they had enjoyed their promotion before the school closed for summer vacations. And the new enrollments are still going on.

Class VII children got very good marks in their examinations. All are promoted to the next class. Now they got admitted into the Seethayyapeta Government High School in class VIII.

Teachers Training

In the month of May 2009 one of team member participated in a teachers training programme held at Samata, Visakhapatnam. Once in a month there was a two days teachers training programme at our Kovilapalem School. In the month of April, May and June 09 two days' teachers training programme was conducted by me on assessment practices, teaching methods and subject enrichment. Class wise work assessment and lesson plans for next academic year were done during the training period. We prepared a list of things, required for school teachers and students for next academic year.

Syllabus:

Teachers prepared lesson plans up to the middle of the year for all class in the teachers training held in June 2009. Teachers completed the following syllabus for all the classes by the end of June 2009:

S. No	Subject	Class I	Class II	Class IV	Class VI	Class VII

1	Telugu	Alphabet writing practice	Prayer, Alphabets revision, Gunimthamulu, words and poems 3,	3 lessons, question and answers	1 lesson from poetry and 1 lesson from prose	1 lesson from poetry and 1 lesson from prose.
2	English	Alphabet A to G big letters practice, 2 rhymes	Alphabet review, introduction of small words up to letter G and 3 rhymes	Lesson 1 and From activity book completed 8 pages,	1. My class 2. Cats and Dogs poem	1. Dolphins 2. Olympic games 3. The Swing poem
3	Maths	1 to 50 numbers introduction with rhythmic activities, reading and writing practice	1 to 200 numbers introduction, reading and writing practice	Numbers up to 5000, types of numbers	Numbers up to 10000, rich, poor and perfect numbers,	Numbers, natural and whole numbers
4	Science			1. Human body, health and hygiene, protection, and senses 2. parts of body	1. Blindness	1. Scientists and their services, 2. Measurements
5	Social			1. land and nature 2. Geographical status of India	1. Different layers of the Atmosphere 2. Historical situations in the History	1. Interior of the Earth 2. Indian Constitution
6	Hindi				Alphabets	2 lessons

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Students Information

Kovilapalem

<u>Class</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Total</u>
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Class I	4	8	12
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Class II	2	1	3
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Class IV	1	7	8
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Class VI	3		3
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Class VII	--	1	1
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Total	10	17	27
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Gadabapalem

Class I	4	2	6
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Class II	3	5	8
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Class III	--	2	2
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Class IV	2	2	4
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Total	9	11	20
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Now our two schools strength is

Kovilapalem	-- 27
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Gadabapalem	-- 20
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At Kovilapalem School last year there were 3 students in class II, we held them in the same class because their age didn't permit to promote them into class III. So we don't have class III this year. At Gadabapalem School last year we had only up to class II, there were bigger children in the classes; they studied well. In the age point of view we had to promote them into class III and IV. So as per our assessment we graded them, and started class III and IV at Gadabapalem School.

Extra Curricular Activities:

In the month of April class VI and VII students made toy houses out of bamboo waste in their craft class. We want to introduce this project to the small classes in the next academic year too.

As it is Just the beginning of the academic year, the students are still adjusting with their classes and teachers. They are not able to pay more attention on the extra curricular activities. They are just playing and cleaning the surroundings. The kitchen garden had spoilt as we had a hot summer. Monsoons had started late this year and now all the students started preparing a piece of land for kitchen garden. In the month of July 09 they are going to plant seedlings of vegetables and flower plants.



Children at craft work

Coaching

All 8 Students who had attended the hindi nagaribodh examination at anakapalli on 5th of march qualified for the next step. Now they are preparing for the next step, Hindi Pravesika, they already had paid fees.

Nutrition / Health

Health is of topmost priority at our school as ever. The students are closely monitored for deficiencies and adequate steps taken on a regular basis to ascertain the well-being of the children. Details of vaccination and statistical records are maintained periodically.

As a part of nutrition, we are giving eggs to the children at 11.00 am every five days a week.

Parents of the children formed as committees for looking after this nutrition program.

We are utilizing 104 Government Health services at our school premises first Friday of every month. They are checking students every month for their health condition, and if they have any health problems they are giving medicines to the children.



Health camps at school premises

Meetings

GVS team is regularly conducting parents and School Vidhya Committee meetings once in a month for discussing about progress, problems of the school and decides nutrition committee in these meetings. On the 24th of April, 25th of May and 20th of June we conducted parents meetings at School premises for discussions about summer vacations, school reopen, and material purchase and distribution to the students.

Study Material

School children material, game material for students and teaching aids for teachers were purchased on June 09 for the academic year. We distributed these materials to the students in the presence of parents and Vidhya committees.



Parents meeting and distribution of study material

Former Students

Counseling is going on with former GVS students and other collage students for their carrier guidance. We counseled 25 college students in our villages for their next academic year studies. Two former GVS students had joined in the Government Polytechnic. GVS team conducted a get together on May 29th 2009 with former GVS students for exchange of their views

Survey

We conducted a survey in the month of April and May 09 on dropout children from the Government Schools in our villages. According to our survey we found 24 dropout children in 7 villages. We met parents of dropout children and schoolteachers for enrollment of these children in the next academic year.

In the month of June 2009 again we met dropout children and their parents to join the children into the mainstream schools this academic year, only 8 dropout children joined into the schools for 10th class, rest of the children's parents are not willing to join them into the schools because of various reasons like financial problems, agricultural works, household works etc. but our team and sub committees are still trying to change their attitude to join their children in the schools.

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