

Mid-year review

Khushboo Welfare Society (KWS)

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Updates from KWS

(October '08 – March '09)

- Student activities
- Site visit by Bhavna and Mohit – December '08
- Workshop – December '08
- Annual Day – December '08
- Medical Camp – March '09
- Holi Celebrations – March '09
- Stalls and sales of Samarth products
- Video on KWS
- Student and staff on roll updates
- Funds utilization report
- Khushboo se newsletters/updates

Student activities

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Diya making



Bead-necklace making



Computer training



Craft



Dal packing



Flower cutting



Gardening



Kitchen



Gardening



Kitchen



Music



Occupational therapy



Spiral-binding



Spiral-binding



PT



PT Drill



PT Drill



Newspaper



Sports - Cricket



Sports - Cricket



Sports



Running race



Tailoring



Tailoring



Tailoring



Tailoring



Tailoring- Packing



Yoga



Tailoring - Ironing



Yoga

Site visit

December '08

Site visit



- Bhavna and Mohit visited KWS during December '08.
- First time was after school hours; interacted with the team.
- Second time, spent one full day at the school.



Entrance



Sehdev, caretaker; and one of the school buses



The premises



Physio-therapy



Pre-academic class session in progress



Charts in the Pre-academic class



Art work



Academic – I class session in progress



Academic-II class session in progress



Multi-sensory stimulation unit (MSSU)



A session at MSSU in progress



Touch therapy at MSSU



Pre-vocational junior class in progress



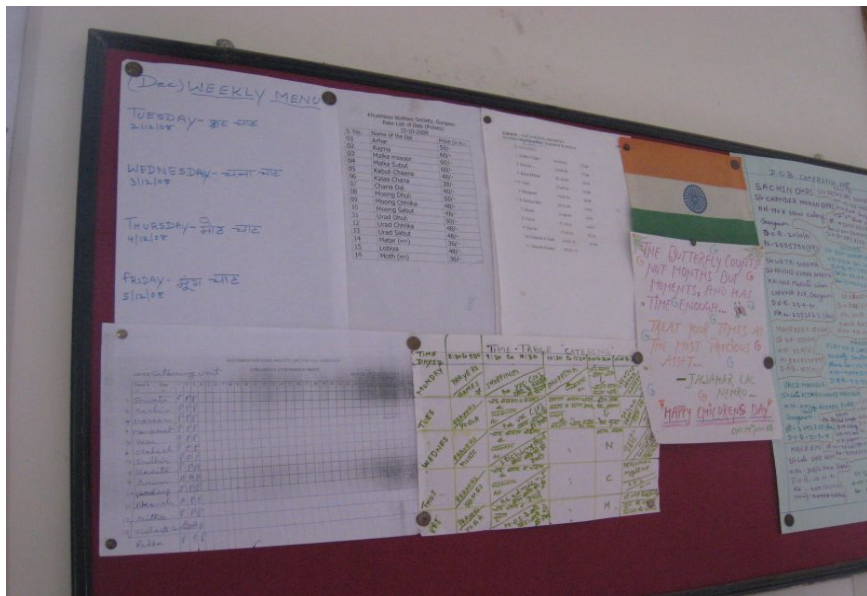
Stimulation senior class in progress



Tailoring unit



Spiral-binding unit



Kitchen notice board



Chat for the day



Kitchen



Performing arts



A dance performance by one of the students (practice for annual day)





Toilet



Guest room



End of the day



End of the site visit

Workshops

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Under the aegis of Dr. Praveen Kumar, ADC, DRDA, Gurgaon Mrs. Usha Gandhi trained the staff with chocolate making.

Himanshu Khurana (Physiotherapist from Khushboo) conducted hands on training on transfer techniques for care givers and special educators

Lalti Devi attended the Developmental Disabilities Workshop for five days held at NIMH New Delhi

Vijay Pal and Geeta Chaturvedi attended Workshop held by the National Trust hosted by AADI [Spastic Society Of Northern India], Delhi to know of the various schemes under National Trust with special focus on Niramaya, A Health insurance scheme for Persons with disabilities.

Sagarika Mohanti attended the Inclusive Education workshop for one day at AADI at New Delhi.

Geeta Chaturvedi, Sagarika Mohanti, Himanshu Khurana and Anuradha Dixit attended the seminar at Muskaan in New Delhi on "Building a Collective Voice: Empowering the Parents/Family"



SPECIAL EVENTS



*Special Thanks to the panelists
who shared their expertise and
knowledge!*

- Dr. Padmaja Sarthy - USA
- Dr. Mala Tandon - USA
- Dr. Shanti Auluck - Muskaan
- Ms. Tripti Kochar – Chiranjeev Bharati
- Ms. Arpita Das - Trashi

Workshop on Functional Living Skills and Best Practices

<http://picasaweb.google.com/khushboowelfaresociety/DecWorkshop08?feat=email#>

Functional Living Skills and Best Practices Workshop were sponsored by CII on the 11th of December 2008. This workshop used interactive methodology using adult learning principles to promote contemporary and conducive learning strategies for individuals with different levels of disabilities and help them become productive and self-supporting members of society. Special Educators, therapists, parents, teacher trainees, schools and NGOs benefited from this workshop from the Gurgaon and Delhi based special schools.





Annual day celebrations

December '08

ROCK'N EVENT

Khushboo celebrated their 13th Founders' Day on Sunday 14th December, a bright & sunny day much to the delight of all present. Like always the traditional inaugural lamp was lit by eminent guests and representatives of the community at large, donors, parents and Khushboo members. This annual event was in honor of distinguished representatives from the Donor Community. The children presented a delightful programme for one hour and kept the audience enthralled. They invoked Goddess Saraswati with a melodious note of Saraswati Vandana and continued the programme with recitation of poems and a group dance. Last but not the least they enacted a comedy play called 'Bakri aur Pandit' which left the audience in splits! The grand finale when all the Khushboo children came on stage with the 'Tare Zameen Par' title track playing in the background got a standing ovation. A brilliant show indeed put together by the combined efforts of all the children, staff, volunteers, parents and helpers!

Three Cheers to everyone for putting up this Rock n Show!!!!











Medical camp

March '09

Awareness Programs

A Medical Camp was organized at Khushboo Welfare Society under the guidance of our Pediatrician Dr. Prem Latha to assess children in terms of their functional mobility or in need for surgery.



Dr. Sanjay Sarup a Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon visited Khushboo as the Consultant for the same on 8th March '09. We are very grateful to Dr. Sarup for the continuous support given to our special children and their parents! Interaction with Dr. Sarup has been extremely valuable in terms of capacity building of our own team as well.



Team Khushboo went for Hospital Visits to sensitize the medical fraternity and to keep them informed of the activities held at Khushboo for cases to be referred to us. These programs also facilitate to seek help from doctors at any point when Khushboo's special children need help. Hospitals visited include: Hospitals visited in and around Gurgaon for the sensitization and awareness building programs: Life care hospital, Swastik hospital, Manglam hospital, Global Hospital and Yadav Hospital





Holi celebrations

March '09

Makar Sankranti and Lohri were celebrated by everyone at the Centre. Children loved eating popcorn, nuts and sweet revdi and lighting the bonfire which is a Lohri ritual.

Celebrations



Republic Day was celebrated with great national zeal at the Centre. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Jitender Kaur Rekhi hoisted the National Flag and distributed biscuits after the cultural function presented by our children.



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Holi was celebrated with the staff of RBS. The children participated in Rangoli competitions, Flower Arrangements, Drawing and Sports competitions. RBS employees also performed a skit on the story of Holi and also advocated for safe ways to play Holi.

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All the children also participated at Holi Milan at Delhi Hatt on the 6th of March organized by the Society of Child Development at Delhi.



Rangoli



Rangoli



Colors



Colors



Bouquet making





Bouquet making





Games





A skit for the children





All are winners!!!





Holi



Stalls

Stalls



Buoyancee, an organization, located at Bangalore which works with children – picked up items made by the special children of Khushboo to be distributed as gifts during the Sankranti festival. Similarly employees from GE (RMZ Next at Whitefield, Bangalore) purchased gift items for the underprivileged children whom they are supporting.



Khushboo gift articles were sold at the following stalls –

- Bechtel
- Ernst and Young, Global Shared Services
- COLT Technology Services India Private Ltd
- Coca Cola, India
- Perfetti Van Melle
- RMZ Next at Whitefield initiated by GE



Khushboo spreads its fragrance & wings to Pune

- Anand Bazaar
- Bal Bhavan

Sale of "Samarth" products



Diwali - diyas & items



Diwali - wax items



Wax diyas

PRODUCTS MADE BY THE CHILDREN UNDER "SAMARTH" (VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM) OF KHUSHBOO WELFARE SOCIETY.



Paper items



Paper products



Utility bags

Student and staff list

Students

	October '08	April '09
Blessings (incl. Samvedan)	51	49
Samarth	14	16
Sparsh	44	44
Total	109	109

Staff

	October '08	April '09
Administrative	4	4
Special educators	4	6
Assistant teachers	2	3
Therapists	2	2
Assistants	3	3
Helpers	4	4
Caretaker/House-keeper	2	2
Drivers	2	3
Volunteers	7	7
Total	30	34

Current student: teacher ratio

1:8 (juniors)/1:10 (seniors)

Hiring needs

2 special educators, 2 assistants,
1 social worker

Updates

- Quarterly newsletters about Khushboo activities, called "Khusbhoo Se"
- Very prompt in updates and answering questions
- Very co-operative and willingly share confidential information, if necessary
- Very open to suggestions