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Editorial

Dear All,

At the outset I would like to thank all of you for zestful participation in all our activities. Fundamental Fridays were primarily introduced to lay the foundation of education for children. Education is so basic in life and there are some who can't afford it. We have resolved to reach out to them and share knowledge and instill confidence. Through our visits to these institutions we pledge to Educate and Empower the children. For those who have participated, I am sure this would have been an enriching and fulfilling experience. For those who couldn't make it: do spare few hours from your schedule to "make a difference" to their lives and.... yours!

Looking forward to your continuous support!

~ Manvika Sharma

Salma Public School: A professional tutor was engaged for a period of two weeks to impart training in English to the teachers at Salma Public school. This was done with the focus of increasing their proficiency in written as well as spoken English. A test was conducted on completion of the course and incentives to teachers will be given on the basis of that.

Scholarships & Sponsorships at Salma Public School

On 11th May 2012, a Chirag Team of five members visited Salma Public School, Rataul, District Baghpat, UP. The agenda of the visit was to felicitate prize winners of the Chirag Excellence Recognition Test. The team received a warm welcome by Prof. Siddiqui (Founder), staff and the children of the school. The team was presented with beautiful cards and mementos made by the students.



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The team also met the two students Aayushi and Kashifa, whose higher education has been sponsored by Chirag Foundation. Six more students have been awarded sponsorship for Rs. 18000/- per year in Vidya Bhawan,

an English Medium school. Their education will be sponsored by Chirag till the time they complete their education in class 12.

Chirag team also distributed refreshments among students. The team was also taken for a tour of the school to see the newly constructed classrooms, layout of new tiles and the freshly white washed building (funded by Chirag). There was also an interactive session with the teachers. Post this the team was treated to sumptuous lunch.

The team finally bade farewell at 2pm and brought back fond memories of the school.

Volunteers

Vikas Gugnani
Charanjiv Singh Kalha
Manvika Sharma
Suraj Jain
Vidhi Manglik

Chirag Donates



Harsh Singh Lohit
(Managing trustee- Chirag Foundation) presenting the cheque to Udayan Care & Vidya & Child



Chirag has signed an MoU with Udayan Care for the Education and Support of the 7 inmates of Chattarpur Home. The estimated budget grant of up to Rs 50,000 per child is to be spent on the costs of education and related living expenses (specifically: school admission, tuition fees, supplies, tutor fee, excursions, school functions, education material, uniforms & accessories, transportation, extra-curricular activities, books and periodicals, camps, trainings, computers and admin. You can read more on Udayan Care at <http://www.udayancare.org/>

Rs. 350,000 Donated



Chirag has signed an MoU with Vidya and Child for supporting education of 25 children. The budget covers expenses towards Monthly / quarterly school fees, After School Tutor and Programme staff salary, license cost for software for learning Mathematics and other miscellaneous costs like reference books, excursion, conveyance etc. Vidya & Child is a project managed by Jayaprakash Narayan Memorial Trust registered as a Public Charitable Trust in New Delhi, India. You can read more on Vidya and Child at <http://www.vidyaandchild.org/>

Rs 7 00,000 Donated

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Volunteer Felicitation



On 25th May, Chirag Volunteers were felicitated for their selfless contribution of time to the various Chirag Activities. This included volunteers who had spent more than 15 hours of engaging with the children at Salma Public School and Udayan Care Homes. They were awarded with a Certificate, Badge and Chirag T-Shirt.

also awarded with Chirag T-shirts and Badges for their contribution by running a "Book Donation Drive" for Chirag. They managed to collect hundreds of Books which are now a part of "Vidya and Child" Library.

There were few enthusiastic volunteers from Headstart Batch who actively helped with the Chirag Excellence Recognition test conducted to impart Scholarships and Sponsorships at Salma Public School.

Thank you all for your efforts!

The members of Bookworms Club were



Felicitated Chirag Volunteers

Suraj Jain (Chirag Volunteer)
Sumit Kumar Sharma (Chirag Volunteer)
Kirti Malhotra (Chirag Volunteer)
Pankaj Bansal (Chirag Volunteer)
Hemant Patel (Chirag Volunteer)
Shivendra Pratik (Headstart)
Ashish Saxena (Bookworms Club)
Aarti Chibber (Bookworms Club)
Gaurav Tiwari (Bookworms Club)
Sakshi Puniyani (Bookworms Club)
Utsav Ghosh (Bookworms Club)
Ankita Aggarwal (Bookworms Club)
Rinan Shah (Bookworms Club)
Vikas Rohal (Bookworms Club)
Pooja (Headstart)
Shashwat (Headstart)
Khushboo (Headstart)
Priya (Headstart)
Ankita Tripathi (Headstart)
Arun (Headstart)
Archana (Headstart)
Isha Kumari (Headstart)
Neha Nagar (Headstart)
Atul Saraf (Headstart)
Swati Shishodia (Headstart)
Sushil Dogra (Headstart)

Fundamental FRIDAYS

On 15th June 2012, we the Chirag team along with the volunteers from the organization visited udayan home Noida. The agenda for the visit was to share knowledge and to teach them the basic virtues of life through various activities.

These activities included: Saathi saath nibhana in which we tied kids in a group of four and asked them to search certain things. Through this we enlightened

them of the importance of team work and how the individual contributions cannot be as good as all of us working together in a team.

Secondly keeping in mind the importance of spoken English, the activity Speak out was conducted in which we encouraged kids to speak in English on any topic for one minute. Such activities would help them in building confidence and developing

courage.

The day ended with a smile on their faces which motivated us to spend quality time with them in future.

~ Shivani Arora



Udayan Care Noida : A professional Yoga instructor was engaged to impart yoga training to children during their summer vacations. This helped to channelize their energy and also had a calming effect on them

Visit to Udayan Care Chattarpur

As an initiative of Chirag foundation around 10 volunteers on 22nd June 2012 visited the Chattarpur, Udayan Care home .The motive of the visit was to teach them important elements necessary for their growth and to help them imbibe basic computer knowledge.



The day started with a fun activity i.e. **Blind fold** to develop the ability to concentrate or to focus the attention on one single thought or subject. As Computer education is use in every field and sector nowadays so we taught them basics of computers.

The day ended with storytelling session which helped them build their imagination and to think out of the box as they were to give their twists to the tale.

We took packed Chinese food for the children which they thoroughly enjoyed.
It was a wonderful experience indeed, all of us took back fond memories after the visit.

Dream Wall Program at Bangalore

As kids we were fascinated by things with vibrant colors like balloons, toys, cartoons, comics ... these things always attracted our attention and pulled us towards watching them, playing with them or reading them. This is how colors have shaped our childhood. So as the opportunity to paint a nursery school wall came to us we all were very excited to be part of it.



It was a beautiful Saturday morning when we started our trip to the nursery school. I was a little nervous frankly speaking. I am not a painter and have never held a brush in my hand before. Anyway when we reached the school there was a volunteer who was an artist himself. He drew the outlines with chalk on the walls. He had very creatively chosen various basic shapes, flowers,

cartoons, stars, trees ... to fill the walls. Finally we had to fill those shapes with paints of different colors. As I started painting I realized that filling those basic shapes wasn't difficult and turned out to be total fun. We had chosen all the bright colors and contrasts. We were very creative with colors. Painting the cartoon cow reminded all of us to our childhood experiences. Finally I ended up painting

for the whole time. Everyone had done such a great job and the final outcome was GREAT. I would be extremely happy to be in that room and study again. It was like living a childhood dream.

It was a complete rejuvenating experience. Hope we have many more such trips. ~**Uday Shankar**



Volunteer for Chirag!!!

If you are enthusiastic about joining hands with Chirag, we have many opportunities through which you can be an active Chirag Volunteer.

1. **Education (Aao Shiksha Batein)** : You can volunteer to teach children at Salma Public School, Vidya & Child and Udayan Care homes over weekends.
2. **Health and Wellness** : You can also volunteer to be a part of the support team for various activities like Blood Donation camps, Health camps, communication and awareness drives.
3. **Monetary** : Last but maybe the most important opportunity, you can contribute from your payroll towards Chirag Foundation.



To register yourself as a Chirag Volunteer,
write to us at

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