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PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, AMBEGAON

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

This story is something to ponder over:
As a man was passing the elephants, he suddenly stopped, confused by the fact that these huge creatures were being held by only a small rope tied to their front leg.
No chains, no cages. It was obvious that the elephants could, at anytime, break away from their bonds but for some reason, they did not. He saw a trainer nearby and asked why these animals just stood there and made no attempt to get away. "Well," trainer said, "when they are very young and much smaller we use the same size rope to tie them and, at that age, it's enough to hold them.
As they grow up, they are conditioned to believe they cannot break away.
They believe the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free." The man was amazed.
Question: Why do you think the elephants never tried to break the rope?
Was it because they couldn't?
No. These animals could at any time break free from their bonds but because they believed they couldn't, they were stuck right where they were.
Like the elephants, how many of us go through life hanging onto a belief that we cannot do something, simply because we failed at it once before?
Failure is part of learning; we should never give up the struggle in life.
In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson "Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood." In order to understand the lessons of life 'Experience is the best teacher'. It is a person's belief in himself that makes him strong to bear and cross hurdles in life.
The theme for the month "PROUD TO BE ME" was truly inspiring. It not only helped students enhance their Self Esteem but also made them feel a part of society, school and mainly their friends and their class. Each student experienced a boost in their morale and this helped them in a better performance.
Through the Events and even the IE activities organised during this module the students learnt to identify their strengths and overcome the small weaknesses that one has.
They learnt that 'Success comes to those who know their limitations and then defy them.'
Here the best example is that of Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. Though he belonged to a very poor family he overcame so many hurdles to kiss success in his life.
He proved to the world that 'people with the worst pasts can end up creating the best futures.'"We all fall down in life… But only few are willing to get up and live.
And the one who gets up is so much stronger than the one who fell."
Such themes and modules in school can bring about the desired results where students learn to be self motivated and take interest in making themselves proud , rather than think about what others say.

House Competition

Wise Advice

STD: III to VIII
Date: 4-7-2015
Venue: PIS, Ambegaon

Life is full of joys and sorrows. There are many ups and downs which teach us to be tough enough to face the situations. Students also need to understand that when a problem arises it needs to be solved. In order to give the students firsthand experience in Problem Solving a House Competition "Wise Advice" was organized. House wise the students had to find out solutions to the 'problem situation' given to them.

It was fun watching the students enact the various Role plays and become 'Wise Owls' in order to find solutions to day to day issues. Such events help in the development of Thinking Skills and make students more matured and sensitive to real life situations.

Event

Snippets of me

Date: 11-7-2015

Venue: PIS, Ambegaon

Preparation for the Event

THE "PROUD TO BE ME" AWARDS
Std II

PIS SUPERSTARS – The talent showcase

IN THE SPOTLIGHT – Classroom talent show

Each person is born unique. There is at least one such different and unique quality that makes every student talented. In order to bring out the talent among students of PIS Ambegaon and to make them feel proud of their special talents the **Snippets of Me** event was organized.

This event was no less than a mega event in the school. The enthusiasm of the students to display their talents and the sincere efforts of the teachers and students in appropriately decorating the classrooms and the school hall well brought out the theme and the objectives of the event. It helped the students in exploring their self traits and uniqueness and showcases various talents they possess before others.

Students of grade 1&2 were awarded certificates based on their virtues and traits. Their class teachers had prepared certificates based on their careful observation of the talent of each of their student. The elated faces of the students receiving the award certificates and getting a Red Carpet welcome on the Ramp was such a delightful sight.

The Talent Showcase" for Grades 3 to 6 helped in boosting the talent of the students in different arenas. The fact that every student had to participate helped in reducing the stage fright of many students and also developed self confidence in them.

Each division of Grade 7 & 8 was given a platform to perform and display their talents and skills in front of their friends in the classroom, giving them a sense of pride and accomplishment.

Investiture Ceremony

Elections

Date: 22-7-2015

Venue: PIS, Ambegaon

Canvassing for the post Head Boy & Head Girl

Voting by Principal Madam

Voting by Students

"Am I Elected?"

This was the question in the minds of all the students contesting for the elections of the Students Council for the year 2015-16 on the 23rd of July 2015. Free and fair elections were held in the school on 22nd July, where students exercised their Right of Adult Franchise even in school. Students felt proud stamping against the name and symbols of their favourite candidate House wise. The Election Campaign was conducted three to four days prior to the elections so that even the students of the primary classes would be aware of the candidate they would select.

The election for the Head boy and the Head girl was undertaken on the same day as the House captains. Principal Madam and teachers voted for this category.

Guru purnima

Date: 31-7-2015

Venue: PIS, Ambegaon

Principal Madam, Staff members and students worshipped Guru Vyas on account of Guru Purnima

Skit by students

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In this fast moving world where materialism and westernization has overtaken traditional values, the celebration of 'Guru Poornima' has its own cultural importance.

In a very ethnic manner Maharishi Vyas was worshipped by the students of STD VII, who also felicitated Mrs. Anagha Gholap, the Principal of the school. A Marathi song 'Guru Ne dila' showing the importance of a Guru in the lives of students was sung and also the most famous scene of the 'Guru Shisya Pratha' from Mahabharata was enacted. Once again PIS Ambegaon proved true to the words "Traditional Values Modern Thoughts."