

EDU SCOOP

MMF updates in Education for July

Dear Friends,

July has brought with it some great news - the karate classes we introduced at the Municipality School No. 2, Panchgani, several years ago, inspired a little girl to pursue martial arts, and now as a teenager she has brought home a medal for India in an international tournament. This is the domino effect of all the work we do at Mukul Madhav Foundation. Planting little seeds in the form of resources and opportunity, and then letting them take root and reach for the skies.

As you go through the updates in this newsletter, we hope you can spot some of the other seeds we sowed this month. Happy reading.

Warm Wishes,

Ritu Prakash Chhabria

Managing Trustee
Mukul Madhav Foundation



Education impact over the years

6000+

Scholarships

3500+

Students At 60+
Schools Provided With
Educational Material

660+

Children Supported
With School Supplies

120+

Elderly Women
Educated

40+

Schools Provided
With Sanitation
Units

29+

Educational Institutes
Upgraded

MMV EVENTS



Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya observes 'Moment Of Calm'.

Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya and Junior College observed "The Moment of Calm" on 2nd July, 2024. 541 members including the teachers, the ancillary staff along with students of classes were a part of the momentous moment. Forgiveness prayer was also recited by everyone after which silence was observed by everyone for 2 minutes.

The school has joined this global peace initiative, which was initiated by Dada Vaswani who was the spiritual head at the Sadhu Vaswani Mission, headquartered in Pune. It aims at bringing calm in the hearts of people through the power of forgiveness and positive inspired living.



"Mahakavi Kalidas Din" celebrated at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya.

Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrates all festivals and traditional days to kindle the feeling of oneness and cultural importance in the younger generation.

On 5th July, Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrated "Mahakavi Kalidas Din" to promote and honour the ancient Indian language of Sanskrit. Mahakavi Kalidas was a famous Sanskrit poet. He was renowned as Mahakavi and made a glorious contribution to Sanskrit literature. Kalidas poems bring a unique quality to the literary works of India. His writings are heart-touching and an intellectual treat to thinkers and readers.

The programme was well-anchored in Sanskrit by Ms. Tejashree Joshi, Sanskrit teacher. Flowers were offered to the Idol of Goddess Saraswati and prayers were recited. Songs were presented in Sanskrit by the students of classes 1 to 5 while the keyboard was played by our other Sanskrit teacher, Ms. Sukhada Tatke. Inspiring speeches highlighting the importance of celebrating this day were delivered by The Superintendent, Mr. Chinmay Pitre and The Vice Principal, Mr. Rohit Deshpande.





'Green Colour' day celebrated at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya.

Green colour day was celebrated on Friday, July 12, 2024 in Mukul Madhav Kindergarten. The day was a fun and joyful day for all the tiny tots where everyone participated with great enthusiasm.

Every child came dressed in green colour. The aim of the activity was to make the young ones identify green colour in the objects they see around them. The teachers displayed objects, toys, flowers, vegetables, household items which were named by the teacher along with their significance.



Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrates Aashadi Ekadashi.

Aashadi Ekadashi, also known as Maha-ekadashi, is the eleventh lunar day of the bright fortnight of the Hindu month of Ashadha. Falling on 16th July this year, students at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrated this day with great enthusiasm.

Students and staff participated in Dindi March along with Palkhi of Lord Vitthal, which was followed by bhajan and lezim performance by students of primary section. A brief programme was arranged in the hall which was well anchored by Ms Pratiksha Shinde, English Teacher. Ms. Tanaya Pawar, lecturer - Commerce section, spoke about importance of Aashadi Ekadashi.

Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrates all major festivals in order to help children understand the cultural diversity of India and also to teach them to be open minded and secular towards every religion and community.





Guru Purnima Celebrations at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya.

The teachers, staff and students of Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya and Junior college celebrated the auspicious day of Guru Purnima on 19th July with great reverence and devotion. Guru Purnima is a tradition dedicated to all the spiritual and academic Gurus, who are evolved or enlightened humans, ready to share their wisdom, based on Karma Yoga.

The programme commenced with recitation of prayer, speeches and a song by students and teacher stating the importance of a Guru in one's life. The programme concluded with gaiety all around. Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya celebrates Guru Purnima festival, every year, in order to make the students realize about the invaluable contribution of a teacher in the life of a student, in shaping their minds and characters.



MMV ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Winners of 'National Electrical Safety Week' competitions announced.

In order to celebrate National Electrical Safety week, students of Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya participated in the Poster painting, colouring, Extempore and Essay writing Competitions. These competitions were conducted by Mr. Jayant Yadav, Manager, Electrical Department of Finolex Industries Limited and his team. The participants displayed their creative skills in these competitions.



1. Picture colouring Competition for MMV Students Group I (1st & 2nd STD)

- First prize : Durva Yatish Birje.
- Second prize : Eshika Shetye.
- Third prize : Aradhya Rajendra Gurav.



2. Poster Painting Competition for MMV Students Group II (3rd ,4th & 5th STD)

First prize : Tanaya Surendra Nayak.
Second prize : Anaya Amol Chavan.
Third prize : Swara Satish Jadyar.



3. Essay writing Competition for MMV Students Group III (6th ,7th & 8th STD)

First prize : Chinmayi Ketan Behere.
Second prize : Shradhha Mahesh Dange.
Third prize : Arya Amol Gogate.



4. Extempore Competition for MMV Students Group IV (9th & 10th STD)

First prize : Aishwarya Kelkar.
Second prize : Swara Bartakke.
Third prize : Astha Pawar.



All these winners were invited to Finolex Industries Limited (FIL), Ratnagiri and were felicitated by dignitaries and officials. Gifts were given to these students as a token of appreciation for their wonderful talent.

MMV Student participates in All India Students Science Competition.

At Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya, there is always some reason to celebrate.

This time it was the impression made by one of our 10th graders, Ms. Swara Bartakke at the All India Science Competition. Organised by the Education Department, Ratnagiri at A. K. Desai School on 23rd July, 2024, the competition drew participants from various schools in and around Ratnagiri. Representing Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya at the competition, Ms. Swara ranked 4th, standing out from among the 87 participants.

Ms. Swara was a testament to the scientific rigour that MMV inculcates in its students, as she confidently communicated her thoughts and ideas with other students present. The organisers and judges were impressed by her scientific temper and thirst for learning and absorbing more knowledge.

Congratulations to this young mind, and looking forward to the impact she is going to make out there in the world in a few years time.



MMV ACADEMICS

CET classes commence at Mukul Madhav Junior College.

Post the inauguration last month, regular CET coaching classes commenced on 3rd July at Mukul Madhav Junior College in collaboration with Edu Zone The Hub, Ratnagiri.

These classes will specifically focus on MHT CET (conducted by Maharashtra Government) and IMU CET (prerequisite to pursue career in Merchant Navy).

This coaching is open for MMV students as well as students from other colleges who would like to train for these competitive exams.

These classes are conducted between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm.

It is a matter of immense pride that Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya and Junior College is the only centre in the vicinity of Pawas providing coaching for competitive exams.



MMV EXTRA CURRICULAR

Students participate in Tree Plantation Drive.

Students of 10th and 12th grades of Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya and Junior College participated in tree plantation activity at the premises of Finolex Colony (Phase II) at Zadgaon, Ratnagiri on 31st July 2024. Senior officials of FIL including Mr. Chivate, and Mr. Kher were present to motivate students in the tree plantation drive. Lady representatives from the recreation club at Finolex Colony also took part in this initiative. Students were accompanied by Mr. Abhishek Salvi, CSR officer, Finolex, School teachers Mrs. Shamika Salvi, and Mr. Rushikesh Shelar. Mr. Kher and Mr. Chivate enlightened the students about the importance of tree plantation.



Also, the students Ms. Swara Bartakke and Mast. Mohammed Darvesh shared their experiences. Students were awarded certificates by the dignitaries to recognize their contribution of planting trees as a step towards Environment Conservation. These trees were planted with a name tag bearing scientific name of plant/tree and daily use which will help our students further their knowledge about different types of trees. This will also sensitize students and make them aware about the importance of planting trees and their role in environment conservation.



OTHER EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

Mukul Madhav Foundation supports multiple schools and education initiatives across regions, across India. Extending support in the form of upgradation of educational facilities and infrastructure, sanitation facilities, installing water purifiers, distributing uniforms, sweaters and books, medical camps, scholarships, midday meals, cycles to travel to school, amongst other things. But it is never limited to this support. The team at MMF is sincerely interested in the well-being of the children and their progress. Staying constantly in touch with the children and their schools through regular updates, visits and communication. The real impact of the work done is the success the children achieve.



Updates from school MMF supports in Karnataka.

As part of "Integrated School Development 2023-24", Mukul Madhav Foundation sponsored 2 toilets at the Government Higher Primary School, Jangankote Plantation in Chikkaballapur district, Karnataka. It was heartening to receive this update of the students going through the yogasanas as part of their celebration of International Yoga Day on June 21st.



Karate class started in Panchgani school, inspires student to go on and win international Bronze.

Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya is actively involved with Nagar Parishad School No.2 in Panchgani, Maharashtra (along with School 1). Amongst the various kinds of support extended since 2012 - infrastructure, sweaters, stationery, teacher salaries - the introduction of Karate was also supported. One of these children, Ms. Diya Kanwadia, who received training in karate at a young age, was inspired and developed a keen interest in martial arts. She pursued the same, and took further training in Sambo (Soviet) Martial Art in Delhi and Rajasthan. Now an ex-student, she recently represented India in the Sambo Asia Oceania Championship held in Macau, China. She clinched a bronze medal for India, breaking a ten-year medal drought for the country. On being felicitated, she thanked the foundation for getting her started on this journey of martial arts. If it wasn't for the karate class introduced in her school, she would never have known the joy of this discipline.

She is now preparing for the 2028 Olympics, and is confident of clinching a medal there. She has all of Nagar Parishad School, every resident of Panchgani, and everybody at Mukul Madhav Vidyalaya cheering for her.



Excellent progress of students supported in Rajasthan.

Mukul Madhav Foundation supports the Education Complex run by Rajasthan Bal Kalyan Samiti (RBKS) in Beeda, Jhadol (Ph), Udaipur, Southern Rajasthan. A Roti Making Machine was donated, along with bedding for the boarders at the hostel. These are being maintained well by the staff there, sending regular reports of the same. The premises are also being ably maintained by the admin. This has created a conducive environment for the students to perform and excel, with exemplary results this year from each and every student.



Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp at B.T. Shahani School, Pune.

Mukul Madhav Foundation (in collaboration with Finolex Industries) conducted a Cervical Cancer Vaccination Camp at B.T. Shahani School, Pune on 29th June. A total of 148 boys and girls aged 9 to 20 years were vaccinated with informed consent from their parents. This included students from Hindi medium, English medium, and the college sections.

This was conducted in coordination with the Serum Institute, with the Villo Poonawalla Memorial Hospital graciously providing an ambulance and a medical team.



Renovation completed of government school in Rajasthan.

As part of the CSR activities of Finolex Industries Limited, Mukul Madhav Foundation completed the comprehensive renovation of Government Upper Primary School in Badhbaldevpura, Jaipur, Rajasthan. The renovation included classroom and toilet repair, new roof construction, paint, and artwork, installation of a handwashing station, class furniture, water cooler, water purifier, assembly platform, and boundary upgrade with interlocking tiles.



Holistic Child Development Program launched in Meghalaya.

Mukul Madhav Foundation signed an agreement on 8th July with Learning Link Foundation for a Holistic Child Development Program, as a CSR project for Finolex Industries Limited. This program will work with 1000 children in grades 1 to 5, across 10 government schools in Rongram Block of West Garo Hills district of Meghalaya State. With the express purpose of improving foundational literacy and numeracy skills through a structured curriculum, with in-school remedial teaching for slow learners, while simultaneously improving awareness of health, hygiene, well-being, development of life skills, physical development through sports (Khelo India Curriculum), and appreciation of art education. Offering students from this rural background a well-rounded education that they would otherwise never find access to.





Stationery support for Children in Dharashiv, Osmanabad.

An individual donor, Yasmin Vakil, gifted 31 children of widows, in Dharashiv, Osmanabad, with educational kits in loving memory of Shahrukh Marzban Cooper. This community is a part of an on-going engagement with Mukul Madhav Foundation.



Tree plantation at various schools.

Several trees were planted on 13th July in Masar Village, Gujarat at Gram Swaraj Uttar Buniyadi Hostel, Vadu High School, Mahuvad and Mujpur Primary School, and Narsinhpura Primary School, On 22nd July, trees were also planted at Government Upper Primary School in Kotkhawda, Jaipur, Rajasthan. At Shree Sagar Vidhyalaya, Gayapura Village and Sadra Primary School on 23rd July.



E-learning equipment to impact 350 girl students.

Mukul Madhav Foundation and its CSR collaborator Finolex Industries Limited installed new E-learning equipment at Kanya Vidya mandir in Sajani Kolhapur, impacting 350 girl students by aiding their educational journey with access to advanced educational resources. This is in line with MMF/FIL commitment to uplift and upgrade existing educational infrastructure and outcomes in the region.



Sanitation Facilities in Schools in Tamil Nadu.

Mukul Madhav Foundation as CSR partner to Finolex Industries Limited signed an agreement with Community Action for Rural Development in Tamilnadu to support 2 schools in Kulithalai and 2 schools in Thogaimalai which will benefit 2034 students.

On 26th July 2024, these renovated toilets were inaugurated in the presence of Mr. Mutthukumar Iyar Zonal Sales Manager Finolex Industries, teachers, school staff and president of Center for Rural Development Tamil Nadu.



ON - GOING
SUPPORT



Midday Meal
1000 + Daily



Education Support
15 Students supported



Teacher support- 3
(Panchgani School)

Thank you

To all the teachers, staff administrators, on-ground workers, NGOs and government officials who make this work possible month after month. Also deep gratitude to the corporate partners - Finolex Industries Limited, amongst others, along with individual donors.

**A big thanks to you too, for reading this issue,
and sharing in our joy.**



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