

DPS SHIKSHA KENDRA

“ The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others”- Mahatma Gandhi.

The words so well said and true. They have been made a reality by two people who are committed to bring about a change in the lives of the less privileged children of our society. Mrs.& Mr. Ravi Jaipuria opened the doors of DPS Gurgaon, to the children of the neighbouring villages on 6th May 2003. It was called “SHIKSHA KENDRA” The education programme, aims at assisting these children, to develop themselves into educated, confident and responsible citizens, equipped to walk the world with pride. DPS infrastructure and other resources are available to the students of Shiksha Kendra. Books stationery, uniform, a midday snack and transportation is provided free of cost..

In this endeavour, the parent community has always been there to support the school at every step. The students indulge in various fund raising activities voluntarily for Shiksha Kendra. Reading material, toys, stationery, uniforms and woollens are donated by the parents every year. DPS Shiksha Kendra is our pride and commitment, hence nothing but the best is made available to the students.

THE BEGINNING

It started with 50 students and two teachers and one helper for classes Prep & I in the premises of SDAV School in Tikri village. Today the strength is about 1350 students.

FACULTY

Today the school has two incharges,38 dedicated teachers and two helpers, with classes from I to XII. Training has been imparted to the teachers of Shiksha Kendra to use the Smart Boards installed in the classrooms. They are using the facility extensively to reinforce classroom teaching. Four teachers have been with Shiksha Kendra for over a decade. In-service training for the teachers of Shiksha Kendra is a continuous process. This is achieved through regular workshops conducted for the teachers.



ACADEMICS AND ASSESSMENT

The school holds classes from I to XII. The syllabus and the curriculum is according to the CBSE guidelines. Computer is taught as a subject from class VI onwards.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING (NIOS)

National Institute of Open Schooling is an initiative of the ministry of HRD. Wherein the students of classes III, V, VII appear for the examinations conducted by Open Basic Education (OBE). The students of X and XII appear for secondary and senior secondary examination conducted by NIOS.

The Assessments for classes I and II are done through checklists and regular interactive sessions.

The Assessments of classes IV, VI, VIII, IX is done through four Formative Assessments(FA) and two Summative Assessments(SA) throughout the year to evaluate the progress of the students. Till date the school has had 100% meritorious result.

SPORTS

Sports are an integral part of their daily schedule. Regular inter/ intra class matches are organized for an all-round development of the students.

Keeping in mind the adage “A Healthy mind dwells in a Healthy body”. The students enthusiastically take part in the Annual Sports Day celebrations every year. The students of Class I and II join the Infant Wing students of DPS in a gala performance on the playground. Fun races and field events along with drills and yoga make the sports day memorable event.



CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The students are encouraged to take part in regular class activities/competitions every month and cultural events such as annual functions, assemblies and ceremonies. This provides an opportunity to the students, to interact with the children of the main stream school and also a world beyond their vision.

CLASS ROOM ACTIVITIES

Students take part in regular activities which enhance their learning and imbibe creativity. To cite a few- collage and poster making, card making, research work, declamation, nature-walk, story-telling etc.



**Best out of waste
(Class III)**



**Collaborative work
(Class IV)**



Balanced diet class (V)



Eco-friendly Rakhi class (VII)

DEVELOPING A COMPETITIVE SPIRIT

Competitions are organized every month to bring out the competitive spirit in each child and to hone their latent talents like, handwriting competition, storytelling contests, recitation and art/craft.



Rangoli making on Diwali



Creating a Puja Thali during Diwali



**Fastest finger First Science
Experiment**



Poster making competition

PICNICS/EXCURSIONS

Once a year the students are taken for Picnic/ Excursions to different locations viz, parks, Nehru Planetarium, Museums and places of historical importance.



**Children
enjoying
during the
picnic**

EVENTS

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES/FUNCTIONS

Assemblies/functions on various topics are conducted by the students, to make them aware of the environment, current topics and the need for health and hygiene.

The students put up a beautiful show of Dance & Music. The students of the main school share their experience of Shiksha Kendra and feel honored to have a platform where they can contribute their bit to the society. Students of Shiksha Kendra share their aspirations and experiences of the main school.



School Choir



Independence Day special assembly



**Students at Hip hip hurray
(Sports day with infant wing, main school)**



Unity in Diversity (Class II)

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

CIENA & SHIKSHA KENDRA

Ciena Telecom ,USA is a partner with DPS in the field of education for the less privileged children in the neighborhood as a part of their Corporate Social Responsibility. The students of X and XII go there twice a week to get coaching in Physics and Maths. This interaction with Ciena not only provides the students with an opportunity to learn from the best professionals but also gives them an insight into the latest software. Periodically 'talent shows' are held with the help of their mentors to assess the level of comprehension.



**Students with their mentors
at Ciena**



Talent show at Ciena

INTERACTION WITH MAIN SCHOOL THE INTERACT CLUB

The Interact Club of DPS regularly engages with the students and organises various programmes viz, 'Nukkad Natak', Radio shows, Role play etc. This goes a long way in boosting the confidence of the students.



Awareness about the road safety through street play



Radio Show



Lab visit organized by team Shiksha Kendra

DPS OUTREACH PROGRAMME

This programme assists Shiksha Kendra Students in their academics in small groups. The students of classes IX, X & XI stay back thrice a week for academic help and support of the students.

The teachers from the main school also stay back thrice a week and take classes of the students for all subjects in all grades.

A dedicated group of Class XI students JAZBA mentor the students on Public speaking, Dramatics, dance, Music and Arts.



**Team
Shiksha
Kendra**



'DAAN UTSAV' --MAKE A MEAL

Teamwork assumes new dimensions as the entire DPS TEAM of students, teachers and parents join hands to make a meal for all the students of Shiksha Kendra. A fulfilling and gratifying day indeed for all involved in the cause. A day when students go back satisfied with the sumptuous meal served with love and care.



**Students enjoying a hearty meal
during 'Daan Utsav' (an annual event)**



JOY OF GIVING

A new dimension was added this year when the Principal Ms. Aditi Misra brought out this concept of a "Garage Sale". A sale of used items like bed covers, quilts, blankets, clothes, woolens, bags, shoes etc. was put up by the DPS teachers, to be sold at Rs10/- per item, for the parents of the Shiksha Kendra students.

The doors were opened to one and all to make use of this sale to keep them snug and warm in winter.

**Shiksha
Kendra
parents
enjoy
shopping
at the sale**



WINTER CARNIVAL

The Annual year end event is most eagerly awaited by all. The students of Shiksha Kendra put up a cultural show for an august gathering where all members of the managing committee are present. They also reflect upon how different their life would have been, had it not been for DPS.

THE WISH TREE

Come Christmas and there is jingle in our ears, love in our hearts and joy in the air all around. The Interact club celebrates 'The joy of giving' where the students make all the wishes of the children come true by giving away beautiful gifts to the students according to their wish list sent to 'SANTA'.



HEALTHCARE STUDENT / PARENT

A Basic Health Check-Up of all the students is done by a doctor regularly. This helps the parents to know about the health of their wards and to enable them to take necessary corrective measures in case of need with the support of the school doctor.

A workshop on Cancer Awareness was organized by the Indian Cancer Society, Delhi branch for the parents of the students of Shiksha Kendra. A free check-up & screening was also conducted and an interactive session was held by the doctors.



**Visit by
the Cancer
society to
our School**



GLOBAL LINKS INTERNATIONAL INTERACTION

International guests regularly visit Shiksha Kendra. These interactions help the students of Shiksha Kendra open up to a new world, where they learn about countries so different from theirs, their culture & their ways of living

Mrs.& Mr. Kazimiera Helena Waligóra Mr. Jerzy Waligora, VIII Prywatne Akademickie Liceum Ogólnokształcące, Krakow, Poland along with 7 students and one teacher, paid a visit to Shiksha Kendra. The students were absolutely thrilled to interact with them on an one to one basis.

Mr. Gary Smith, CEO Ciena Telecom USA his wife Mrs. Stacia and their son Mr. Sam were at Shiksha Kendra for two days.

Interaction with guests from Poland and USA



Shiksha Kendra remains a project closest to the hearts of Mrs.& Mr. Ravi Jaipuria, which was a dream, an opportunity to give back to the society. Shiksha Kendra is growing everyday under their tender care and love.

The able guidance and nurturing by the School Principal Ms. Aditi Misra, with her team of teachers, shall always see Shiksha Kendra students excelling in their chosen fields and keep the DPS Flag flying high.

You too can be our partners in this community outreach programme by sending in clothes, reading material , stationery etc. at the commencement of the session. You can be a volunteer too ! You can be of any age to make a difference to the society we live in.

