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Edify School Tirupati ,
is the **1st Cambridge English school** in Andhra Pradesh



TED Talk by Award winning Ms. **Vinusha MK**, a 12-year-old Child Prodigy ,
Founder and Chief Baking Officer of Four Seasons Pastry, Chennai

CELEBRATIONS

Children's Day Celebrations

"I may not have time for adults, but I have enough time for children". - **Jawaharlal Nehru**

Edifiers of grades I to X celebrated Children's Day with their educators. Principal Sir addressed the students and called upon the students community of the school to compare their childhood activities with their parents' and grandparents' to know its importance.

Children enjoyed grade appropriate movie specially screened in classroom, exchanged wishes and greetings with friends & facilitators and spent a half day time at school without their books/ bag as it was no books/bag day.



GUEST LECTURES

TED Talk @ Edify

"Child prodigy is the result of continuous learning from the environment but not the inheritance of knowledge through studies".

Edifiers of grade X attended a TED Talk by award winning Ms. Vinusha MK, a 12-year-old Child Prodigy from Chennai, Founder and Chief Baking Officer of Four Seasons Pastry.

Edifiers were inspired by her self-written success story. This self-made Chempreneur shared suggestions, ideas and recommendations for the questions asked by students after her talk.



CLUBS

Literary Club

Edifiers of Literary Club from Primary grades played Dumb Charades during Club activity under the guidance of their Club in charges. The Club members guessed the verbs with actions, learnt their spellings and synonyms in other languages. They participated in Children's Day speech on Bravery Awards activity. Students appreciated the life and achievements of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, his love for children and contributions to the freedom struggle. Through this activity they became aware of the Bravery awards conferred on children and their courageous and daring feats. Edifiers attempted their hand in Creative Writing by writing short paragraphs. Club members expressed their ideas on the given topics in a fun way. Through this Club activity children could build their vocabulary and were also found to be curious while writing.



Environmental Club

The Environmental Club members of Primary and Secondary grades prepared seed bombs during the Club activity under the guidance of their Clubincharges. Children used tropical Amaranath seeds, compost, fertilizer soil and water to prepare these seed bombs. Through this activity children learnt and spread awareness about vegetation and aerial reforestation. Students from Grade VI to X prepared leaves collage during their Club activity. Club members used leaves of different colours, shapes, size and stationery to prepare a collage of leaves available in school campus. The Club members of Primary grades spread awareness on inculcating 3R's (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) through posters on Eco-code prepared by them. Secondary grades Club activity was aimed at learning about the importance of using non conservative Energy resources. Club members presented their understanding by preparing an improvised model of wind turbine using cardboard, glue, straw, scissors. Primary grade Club members participated by drawing Doodle Art on 'Save Nature and Environment' and delivered speeches.



Cuisine Club

Cuisine Club members of grades VI to IX learnt to prepare masala puffed rice in their Club activity. Children used various ingredients like a cup of puffed rice, chopped onion, tomato, grated carrot, cucumber, coriander leaves and prepared this popular snack and relished its taste. The Club members of Primary grades attended a motivational session about the importance of organising ingredients before cooking a dish. This session targeted the preparation skills of members so that their cooking activity becomes a cake walk. During the second week they prepared gram flour apple snack during their Club activity. Children used a wide variety of ingredients and prepared a delicious Gram flour Apple under the guidance of their Club in charges. The Primary grades Club members prepared a delicious cheesy bread sandwich using all the required ingredients.



In the third week, members of Primary grades exhibited their cuisine skills in a Club activity where they were told to prepare laddu's using dry nuts. Children used ingredients like finely chopped almonds, cashews, pista, dates, kishmish, elachi powder and milk powder. The Secondary grade Club members prepared a delicious Dahi Poori.

Creative Club

Whether a photo frame designed with ice cream sticks and glue by the Creative Club members of Primary grades or a Vision Board of oneself for goal setting with motivational words and quotes by the secondary grades, Club members utilized their Club activity duration creatively and completed the task assigned. During the second week, members of Creative Club (Secondary grades) prepared bookmarks during their Club Activity, under the guidance of the Club in charges.

Club members not only tried their hands in Mandala and Doodle art through this activity but also learnt to draw symbols and images. Primary grades Club members learnt origami in their Club activity that focused on improving their spatial visualization skills using hands on learning.

The Primary and Secondary grades Club members of Creative Club participated in a Club activity on 'Bud Painting' during the third week. Club members painted buds using watercolours under the guidance of their Club in charges. This activity improved child's fine motor skills and pincer grip development and concentration.



Media Club

Secondary grade members of Media Club prepared flashcards during their Club activity.

During this activity children learnt that flashcards work well not only in memorizing facts quickly but also help in processing and storing the information.

In the second week, Secondary grade Club Members of Media Club participated in a Club activity on 'Current Affairs and Crack the Puzzle'. Digital Natives should be updated about the Current Affairs to be a Global citizen. The Puzzles attempted and solved, helped them develop memory skills, planning and put their ideas to test for solving problems.



FIELD TRIPS

Joy of giving @ Secondary School

“The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention”

Promoting the act of giving has always been a significant aspect of EDIFY. To spread joy and happiness among those who need help and support, as a part of Joy of giving week, the students of Grades VII to X visited an Old Age Home and an Orphanage at different places in and around Tirupati. During the activity they interacted with the inmates, shared the eatables which they brought from home (cookies and fruits) and empathized with them.



Field trip to Post Office – Grade III

There are different modes of communication and one such is communication through the letters, telegram or speed post. To know more about Postal Department’s administrative procedures, Grade III students were taken on a field trip to the Head Post Office. The learners explored the new place and exchanged information relevant to the topic.



Field trip to Walmart- Grade I

“We learn by example and by direct experience because there are limits to the adequacy of verbal instruction”. - Malcom Gladwell.

Edifiers of Grade-I accompanied by their educators visited Flipkart groceries (Walmart).

This visit was aimed at understanding the concept of processed and unprocessed food products that are packed and sold in shops and supermarkets.

Through this visit children could differentiate between fresh food and packed or processed food and their health benefits and Hazards.



IM BASED ASSEMBLY PRESENTATIONS

Adverbs and its Types



Types of fractions and their applications



Conservation of Energy



Conservation of Energy is an act of patriotism



Types of Energy



Role play by little artists of Grade-II on the occasion of 'Thanks Giving Day'



Means of Communication



Pros and Cons of Television as a mode of communication



ACTIVITIES

STEM Challenge for the month of November

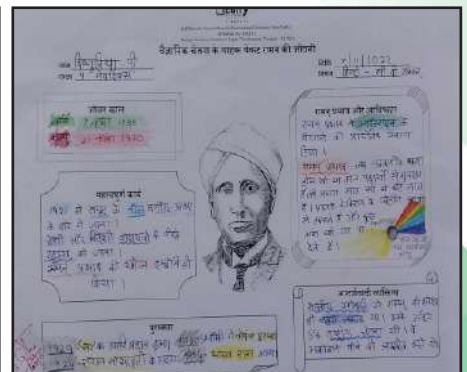
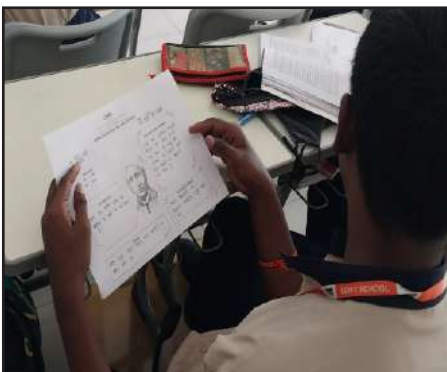
Accept the challenges so that you can feel the exhilaration of victory. In the third week of November students of Grades VI to VIII were involved in different STEM challengers under the guidance of Mr. Hari Krishna, SPEM Co-ordinator.

The following were the challenges

Grade VI – Storm Shelter – Build a storm shelter to protect yourself from strong winds and rain.

Grade VII – Coin Sorting Machine – Which separates different coins.

Grade VIII – Veggie ball – Designing their own table ball game where two players can play.





GROUP ACTIVITIES

Empowering children against 'Bad Touch'

The conversation about good touch and bad touch helps the kids understand the importance and meaning of safe and acceptable touch. It helps them understand that they can say "no" and they must raise their voice if they sense unsafe touch by anyone.

To create awareness among the students activities were conducted for Edifiers of Grade I to V. Educators played age appropriate videos and demonstrated the topic through role play. The students were motivated to be open in communication with the parents and educators whenever they sense unsafe touch.



Integration of EVS with Art & Craft

Edifiers of grade- III, IV & V attended a group activity conducted by their educators. The activity was aimed at ensuring not only Heads on but Hands on as the latter leads to former. Educators integrated EVS and Art & Craft, so that students learn the concepts through a new dimension. Children expressed their understanding using chart papers and stationery.



Show and Tell activity for Grade I learners

With a motto to create a platform for development of vocabulary and presentation skills, Show & Tell activity was organised by Grade-I educators. Students described about the objects using wide range of vocabulary, accent and intonation.



Team building activity for Grade I & II

Sports and games help in the cultivation of profiles like open minded, participative and also help in developing sportsmanship spirit from a young age.

With the same motive a team building activity was conducted for athletes of Grade- I & II.

Students learnt to work in small groups, to take turns and to respect each other's opinion.



'Brain Teasers'

Edifiers of IV & V participated in a group activity on 'Brain Teasers'. The riddles and puzzles asked by their Educators provoked the kids to think and rethink to solve and answer. This activity was also an exercise to kids brain and it aimed at boosting their thinking skills.



Group activity on 'Anger Management'

When we become upset about something, we need time to process the emotions we experience. Even after the problem has gone away or an apology has been received, we may still have those same feelings. Learning to handle feelings, particularly powerful ones such as anger, can be difficult, especially for young children. Learning to understand how they feel and improving emotional regulation techniques can help children respond to the emotions and environment around them with more control and skill. Edifiers of Grade-III attended a group activity on 'Anger Management', conducted by their educators. The teachers and students spread the awareness on the topic to the audience through skit and speech. Children used charts to talk about the topic and had many take-aways through this activity.



IM BASED ACTIVITIES

When Energy is coming from the sun then why are we digging it!

Students of grade –IV climbed up the stairs of the Edify school building terrace and were amazed to see the wide spread area with multiple solar panels. What other best way can be thought of to make them understand the topics Renewable Energy, importance of Solar Energy and Conversion of Energy.

Edify School Tirupati is an Eco-friendly school with variety of plants and trees all around the campus. As Grade-I students' ongoing Inquiry Module talks about plants, they were given an opportunity to explore different types of leaves in the campus. The students were given the task of collecting the leaves irrespective of their shape, colour or size which they later on stuck on a sheet of paper.



Mystery Bag

Edifiers of Grade-I attended a sensory activity called 'Mystery Bag' conducted by their educators.

In this activity children were blindfolded and attempted to visualise objects that were kept in front of them, using the sense of touch and smell. Children enjoyed the excitement.



Puppetry by Kindergarten Educators

"You've got to stand for something, or
You'll fall for anything. You've got to be your own man,
Not a puppet on a string. - Aaron Tippin

Edifiers of Grade-II witnessed an interesting puppet show conducted by the IK Educators, aimed at not only entertainment but also educating the kids on story narration using different props. Children enjoyed the finger puppets, hand puppets, stick puppets and masks used by IK Educators in narrating the story.



Activity on making finger puppets

Grade-II Edifiers attended a group activity under the guidance of their educators where the learners prepared their own finger puppets. Through this activity children could develop their presentation, creative and communication skills. Educators guided the learners on usage of puppets for story narration.

BOARDERS

I am on my way to work on planning and organising skills

Developing a mind map is one of the excellent ways for anyone to sort through the thoughts and ideas. The residential students of Edify School were guided by their mentors to come up with creative mind maps based on a concept. The mentor session was helpful as mind mapping helps in developing, planning and organising skills too.



Healthy isn't a goal, it's a way of living.

Sunday turned out to be a fun day for the Boarders at Edify. The children tried their culinary skills on different nutritive recipes like Banana Oats Meal and salads as a part of Cuisine Club activity. This activity was integrated with development of literary skills where students prepared charts mentioning details of the recipe.



Children's Day Celebrations @ Boarding school

It was an exciting start of the day for residential Edifiers on 14th November as boarders were all geared up for entertaining and colourful cultural show. Students showcased their dancing and singing skills which was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by the audience.



"Enjoyment is not a goal, it is a feeling that accompanies important ongoing activity".

The residential Sunday activity session was conducted by residential counsellors, Mr. Antony and Ms. Triphina. The session was on improving their self-confidence, communication and the importance of honesty and self-discipline. It was an interactive session with lots of fun activities and role plays in which they learnt the importance of communication and discipline.



"It's Amazing know what the application of a sewing needle could do for one's manners"- Lauren Willing

Sewing is an important skill which residential students should try to work on. As they are in hostel it would be easy for them if they know how to sew a button or fix a minor wear and tear in their uniforms and casual dresses. With this motto an activity was conducted which focused on sewing using a needle. Children came up with different designs and patters of sewing during the activity.



**"I am the master of my failure
If I never fail how will I ever learn"- Dr.C.V.Raman**

Edifiers of grade-IX Mavericks and Titans have conducted a class room activity in Hindi language on account of **Sir.C.V. Raman** birth anniversary. Students prepared a biography map and explained the photos related to the life and achievements of Sir C.V.Raman. The audience attempted to comprehend 'Raman Effect' in Hindi language.

Word to the parent

**Dear Parent,
Greetings!**

The November month passed by with lots of hopes and elated our excitement in learning. We are a month away from our Decennial Year Annual Day 2022-23. Edify School, Tirupati family is super excited about this mega event. The eagerness and enthusiasm of Edifiers and educators is visible in their preparations and practice sessions.

At this juncture all the parents of Edifiers can revisit their school days by learning the dance steps daily taught to your ward. Let your ward step into the shoes of his/her dance instructor at home and teach you. This activity /exercise helps both the parent and the child to have a quality family time.

Amidst the busy schedule of parents and children, you may consider this activity as a blessing in disguise by the Almighty where there is entertainment and education for both parent and children. Form another perspective, you are helping us to help you see hour ward learning and getting ready for a rocking performance during Annual Day Celebrations. Learning happens everywhere with everyone, anywhere with anyone and anytime.

Happy Learning!

Academically Yours,

Principal





Pink Colour Day in integration with Financial Literacy



Role play on the occasion of 'Thanks Giving Day'

CELEBRATIONS

Splendid Children's Day Celebrations @ Kindergarten

Children's day started with a sparkling note!! The kids were involved in fun filled games. Later on they were taken to the seminar hall. IK teachers dressed up as magicians left the kids spell bound with their mesmerizing magic tricks. Next was an entertaining movie clipping with crunchy pop corn. The whole day was truly fun filled for the students and the teachers as well.



Pink colour day celebrations

"It's not about how much money we make, it's how we spend, save and donate it"

Being able to save money has no age limit! Money is difficult to manage, save and earn. It's important to bring awareness about the Financial Literacy in their early years so the kids learn to value it. As a part of pink day we integrated the colour pink with the theme 'Spend, Save and Donate'. Children were taught about the importance of money and how to save money in their kiddy banks with the help of artificial currency and craft kiddy banks.

During the activity they were given the tactile experience of putting money in the kiddy bank and were also shown the different shades of pink.



ACTIVITIES

Nature Walk

The human senses are our contact with the environment. By far the most important organs of sense are our eyes. The eyes allow us to see and interpret the shapes, colours, and dimensions of things in nature. As a part of IM-2, IK-III children were taken for a 'Nature Walk' in Edify School campus. After completion of the activity, children shared their experience of seeing beautiful and interesting things around the School.



Aural activity for IK III kids

Hearing empowers us and helps us to lead our everyday lives without limitations. It enables us to socialize, work and communicate. It also helps us to stay connected to the outside world and it keeps us safe by warning us of potential danger. As a part of our IM – II concept we had an experimental feeling activity for IK-III children by making them to listen to different types of musical instruments like keyboard, drums, rhythm pad etc., They also learned different types of sounds like pleasing, harsh, loud and low sounds.



Consider getting smaller in order to get bigger.

To make the Math concept fun filled, an exciting game was conducted for Edifiers of IK-III by their educators. Coloured number flash cards were used during the game so that the numbers can be differentiated easily.



Dining Etiquettes are like rules in a game.

To focus on the development of self-management skills among young learners, an activity was carried out called 'buttering the bread'. The students were educated about the etiquettes to be followed while dining. The students also learnt vocabulary words like spoon, fork, napkin etc which help in everyday communication.



Story telling activities by IK II narrators

A wise man once said, "After nourishment, shelter and companionship, stories are the thing we need most in the world." It's the stories that give wings to our imagination and take us to places beyond the boundaries of our physical world and into the land of fairies. To keep the tradition going and to incite curiosity, role plays and puppet show were done as a part of IM activities by our IK II children. The narrators narrated the stories by using the aids like puppets and face masks. Children enjoyed listening to stories presented by their friends.



Activity on World Kindness Day

Edifiers of IK-II and IK-III were involved in World Kindness Day activities which is celebrated on 13th of November every year. This year the theme titled 'Be kind whenever possible'. The tiny tots made lovely greeting cards and gave it to aunties, drivers and helpers as an act of kindness. They also learnt that it's not just human beings but animals and nature also deserve kindness.



Reading Week @ Kindergarten

"Something very magical can happen when you read a good book" - J.K.Rowling

It was a spectacular sight to see our budding readers turning to be more confident in their reading skills. Students of IK-II and IK-III participated in different activities which focused on development of reading skills. They visited the school library, read stories along with their parents, and took part in Reading Marathon.



Pop corn activity in connection with five sense organs

Pop corn pop corn
Now its getting hot,
Shake it up, shake it up
Pop poppop!

IK-III explorers were on their way to awaken their five senses through the pop corn activity conducted by their educators. The learners saw the pop corn popping, heard the popping sound, felt the heat of the pop corn with their hands, smelt it and finally tasted the salty and crisp pop corn.



Activity on alphabet sequencing

Learners of IK-II were involved in a fun filled alphabet sequencing activity under the guidance of their educators. Waste egg cartons, letter cut outs in the shape of eggs and picture flashcards were used during the activity.



Thanksgiving Turkey Origami

Kindergarteners took initiative to thank all the people around them who help in some or the other way. They expressed their gratitude by making origami Thanksgiving Turkey with different colour papers.



Story session by Ms.Thusharika

“Stories are like children. They grow in their own way.”

Edify School Seminar Hall was filled with entertainment and laughter with Ms.Thusharika’s entry. The way she modulated her voice with the puppets left the students astounded. The session was followed by questions and answers as a part of reflection activity.



Sensory bag activity

There are many benefits from conducting sensory activities for Kindergarteners. It builds neural connections within the brain, develops fine motor skills handling and manipulating objects, learn social skills by sharing or playing, be calmed and soothed, fulfils sensory needs and maintains their focus and attention. IK-III students had hands on experience on different objects which helped them to feel a variety of sense of touch.



ASSEMBLY PRESENTATION

Blooming Edifiers



Role play by little artists of IK-III Stalwarts on the occasion of Thanks Giving Day



A piece of fruit a day keeps the doctor away



Competition of the Month

Character Portrayal Competition



WORD TO THE PARENTS

Respect the environment

How often do we complain about dirty streets and ruined flower beds? Respect for nature has to start at home. We have to begin with ourselves, and then cultivate this quality in our child. In this case, the result would be quite evident.

Why are you spoiling the plants?

Just for fun.



It's not fun!



Learn to say 'No'

We should teach our child to say "no" to adults, teachers and even ourselves if he/she is asked to do something he/she does not like to do. We want to raise a strong personality, not a person who should obey any command. The ability to say "no" will come in handy in adult life.

Hi, come with us



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