

# QUARTERLY REPORT

## JAN - MAR 2018

### CRECHE UPDATE



New children started their classes. Our sponsors were present in Jan 2018 to see the programs and activities. We received lot of educational items, gadgets, books, colours and other stationeries from Pathways which were given to children to do the classroom activities. There was positive interaction between the sponsors and the staff of Jan Sava. Meetings were held to discuss

and exchange ideas on how to improve the system of informal education in the classes. The beginners who joined Jan Seva crèche were from very poor economic status checked and verified by the CHP team. The older children started their new session with a very enthusiastic mind but the beginners cried in the initial days. Except for the festive weeks or weekends, the average attendance was good because strictness was observed for the ones who were very



irregular. Names of a few children were deleted from our rolls who tried to break the rules of Jan Seva. Teacher's started to take classes in an informal manner at the beginning of the session so that the children settle down with their new environment. Books and exercise copies were introduced after one month. Mingling between the old and the new were taught by the teacher's who observed how the children were adjusting themselves with the

new environment. The older children were given a responsibility to teach the younger ones the prayers and the songs sung in the assembly in the mornings. This responsibility was taken very positively by some older children who have a leadership quality in them.



Parent-Teacher Meetings were organised in February for the new parents whose children were admitted in 2018. The rules and regulations of Jan Seva were discussed with the new parents. In March another meeting with parents was conducted on Women's day (8<sup>th</sup> March) were sessions on Gender equality were

conducted and the parent's of irregular children at Crèche were identified and warned. Parent's were informed regarding the first school-assessment of the children due in April so that no child should be absent from school during those days.

Private Tuition classes at home were discouraged. Most of the uneducated mother's opted for private tuition classes at home to engage their children in "at-home coaching". Parents were informed to opt for the special classes taking place in the crèche from 1.30 – 2.30pm. The uneducated mother's were encouraged to join the Adult Literacy Bengali classes to become better informed and educated. The little ones who were in the hall last year have been transferred to the Crèche 3,4, 5 and have started their special classes. The ones who are weak in studies have started improving.



New students received their woollen garments, crèche uniform in this quarter. Children from Crèche 3 – 6 received their exercise copies for their daily work in the classroom.



The children celebrated the festival of colours on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb in Jan Seva. The children played with the different colours irrespective of their caste creed and economic background. The goddess of education "DEVI SARASWATI" was worshipped in the month of January (22<sup>nd</sup>) where the crèche children and the adult students participated and enjoyed themselves with a sumptuous lunch.

## **CRECHE CLINIC**



growth.

As this was the time of the year for season change lot of children suffered from chicken pox, German measles and fever. Cold/cough was a common problem in most of the kids and they were irregular with the classes. Height and weight were measured in the month of January for all the Crèche children to keep a record check on their

Dr Mary Acharya, Dr Sarmistha Sinha and Dr Manas Sen attended the Crèche clinic in these three months to look after the kids suffering from different problems.

### **CRECHE FEEDING**

The newcomers were taken special care of by the helpers during the feeding session. There was a change in the diet plan from 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018 till the end of the month because there was a diarrhoea spreading in that area during that time. Dr Mary Acharya has suggested not to give any non veg items like egg or chicken to the children who are suffering from diarrhoea. The regular routine was back to normal from the first week of March.

Children learn to eat with the help of a spoon after joining the crèche. They are so fond of the food served in Jan Seva, that they know the diet chart followed on each day. If any child is asked what he /she is going to have on that day, the child will give all the details from Breakfast to lunch at once. Non veg items like chicken are given once every week. Vegetarian kichuri is given on every Wednesday and is a hot favourite for the kids. Cornflakes, milk and banana is enjoyed once a week and the children relish it. They donot enjoy this kind of food at home. During winter a vegetarian dish was served everyday. A constant supply of fresh vegetables reached the kitchen every day from the Kitchen garden in Jan Seva.

### **NUTRITION GARDEN**



Kitchen was flooded with green leafy spinach, cabbage, cauliflower, beetroot, coriander leaves, brinjals, beans and tomatoes. One dish of vegetable was a must everyday during this winter.



Seasonal flowers and beautiful roses kept the look of the garden very rich and colourful. Children played in the lawn, enjoyed the garden as they learnt the names of the colours from it. With the end of the winter season, the vegetable patch was laid barren to regain its fertility so that the soil becomes ready for the summer crops. Manuring and ploughing were conducted to prepare the soil. Thus the soil is gaining its fertility and getting ready for the next season.



## **ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM**

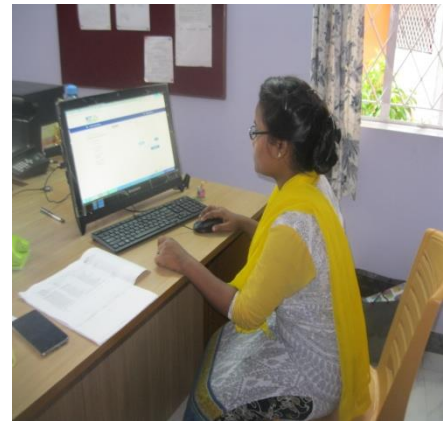


There were 10 students for the Bengali literacy Program. Out of 10, 8 students gave their exam on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018. The chapters which were taught from Jan – March were the chapters on percentage, subtraction, addition, clock and measurement. Similarly in the Hindi batch, there were 6 students. 5 gave their exam on the same mentioned date. Arithmetic, letter writing and essay writing has been taught during this period.

The new Batch of English literacy course started from January 2018. The total number of students is 13. English Grammar has been started along with some general knowledge subjects in the manual.

## **COMPUTER LITERACY**

As we are continuing with our basic computer course we have got very few students in our Batch 12 who gave their online assessment on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Only 6 students were in this batch to give their exams. This program needs to be upgraded to encourage students who wish to learn more than just basic courses. Many new computer coaching classes have started in this area which has attracted students to take up these courses. We are unable to revise our programs due to shortage of funds.



## **VOCATIONAL TRAINING**

Many new students who joined this course have an aspiration to become a tailor or to join a boutique. Ladies, who were already in this program finished up with the crèche uniforms, then started making the baby frocks. Ladies who joined later brought cloth from their own household to practice on it. They are eager to learn knitting, cutting and making Indian dresses. Attendance in this program is very erratic and this makes it very difficult to follow a pattern of instruction in teaching which is important.

