



## *Anushruti Academy for the Deaf*

**Nurturing Silence, Creating Lives**

(A Social Initiative of IIT Roorkee)

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### **Newsletter for October - November 2019**

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, our school students participated in a Drawing Competition which was held at “Mahatma Gandhi Central Library, IIT Roorkee”.



Our school was invited to participate in the cultural programme on the occasion of “Durga Puja” held at Sarswati Mandir, IIT Roorkee, on 07<sup>th</sup> October, 2019. Our students Priyanka and Khushi presented “Durga Satuti” under the supervision of school teachers Mrs. Asha Mehta (Dance O.C.) and Mrs. Neelam Madhok. The dance performance was appreciated a lot. Sarbajanin Durgotsav committee, IIT Roorkee contributed Rs. 15,000/- towards the development of Anushruti Academy for the Deaf.

On 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2019, a Mehendi Competition was held in our school premises in which the school students showed their Mehendi talent.



On 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2019, a Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) approved Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) program titled “Research in Special Education” was organized by the Dept. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DIVYANGJAN) at Helen Keller Bhawan, Dehradun. Mrs. Parvati Pandey (Principal, AAD), Mrs. Shazia Farhat (Vice-Principal, AAD) and senior teacher Mrs. Neelam Madhok had the opportunity to attend this program.

A state level dance competition was held in Dehradun on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2019. Our team of sixteen students, escorted by the teachers Mrs. Asha Mehta (Dance O.C.), Mrs. Renu Sood, Mrs. Monika Saini and Mrs. Srishti Tyagi participated in it enthusiastically. Yash Sharma got first prize in solo dance performance with cash prize of Rs. 5,000/-. Our school also got 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in group dance performance with cash prize of Rs. 2,000/-.



On 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2019, an “In house activity” was held on the occasion of Diwali in which all the AAD students participated enthusiastically. They decorated different types of Diyas and made lanterns with coloured papers. The girls made beautiful rangolis.

IIT, Roorkee celebrated Coral Jubilee Alumni meet from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> November. On 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2019 about 150 alumni visited AAD and were served breakfast followed by a highly entertaining program by the AAD children who not only performed dances but also showcased their reading writing skills.

The alumni were overwhelmed to see the school and were impressed by the performance of AAD students. They motivated the students and staff of AAD.



On 6<sup>th</sup> November, Prof. Santosh Kumar Chaturvedi (Head of the Department of Mental Health Education, NIMHANS, Bangalore) visited the school and discussed various issues related to H.I. students.



On 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2019, the newly constructed kitchen and toilet block of AAD, was inaugurated by Prof. Manoranjan Parida (Deputy Director, IITR) in the presence of MC, Prof. Z. Ahmed (Dean Infrastructure IITR), Er. Ajay Sharma (Institute Engineer) and other. School students, staff and Management Committee members were also present on this occasion. This facility of a nice kitchen cum store and two nice sets of washrooms for the students has been constructed by the IITR for the school. AAD is grateful to the IITR administration for the same.

Children's day was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the students and teachers of AAD on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2019. On this day students took part happily in many games and activities. Mrs. Nupur Verma (Municipal Commissioner, Roorkee) visited AAD, and praised the school for the noble task of educating hearing impaired children. She distributed sweets to our students on the occasion of Children's day. Children were happy to interact with her. Ex-Serviceman Mr. Y.K. Chaudhary, Brand Ambassador of "Swachha Bharat Abhiyan Roorkee", visited AAD and conducted an oath taking by our students and staff for cleanliness under the "Swachhcha Bharat Abhiyan".



On 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2019, the students of classes VI, VII and VIII went for an educational visit to Museum, Institute of Geology, Earth Science Dept. IITR. The students learnt about the minerals of earth during this visit. Research Scholar Mr. Rahul guided the children about the important minerals under the supervision of school teachers Mrs. Shazia Farhat and Mrs. Renu Sood.

RCI approved CRE program titled "Management of Childhood Disorders and Behavior Problems" was organized by the Dept. of Education, Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (D), Mumbai from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at AAD. Experts **Dr. Sadhana Deshmukh**, Psychologist, AYJNISHD (D) Mumbai, **Mrs. Shradha Patkar**, Clinical Psychologist, AYJNISHD (D) Mumbai and **Mrs. Rashmi Singh**, Psychologist, AYJNISHD NRC Noida conducted this three day long program. The program was inaugurated by Mrs. Charu Chaturvedi (President, AAD, IITR), along with the visiting experts, some Management Committee Members of AAD and Mrs. Parvati Pandey, Principal of AAD. Twenty nine special educators, from different places like Meerut, Dehradun, Noida, Haridwar, Delhi and Muzaffarnagar and 3 Special Educators and 2 Speech Audiologists of the AAD participated in this CRE program.

