

Indian Association for Promotion of Adoption and Child Welfare (IAPA)

NEWSLETTER





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Dear Readers,

The sun has decided to shine upon us again after almost two years of fear and chaos. Children love outings, ConnectFor organized an excursion to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalay last month. It was much educational, and students divulged into various physical activities which followed along. We are proud to announce that IAPA was a part of Swatantra Amrut Mahotsav celebrating 75 years of independence this year. While this magnanimous it gets better and better. A summer camp for students was held mid-year at the project office under project Asmita with various activities for the students.

Health is wealth and we strongly believe in that as International Yoga Day this year heard many cracking and groans with the students posing and stretching about, Children of the BMC School, Khetwadi (W) were delighted after acquisition of new sport items thanks to Mrs Sangita Gala's suggestion. A special mention about our young achievers who outdid themselves this year with noteworthy marks is mentioned further. What is a people problem? The most common yet unnoticed, stress. A stress management session was held for team IAPA by Ms Lamika Karunakaran in July.

We look forward to your feedback on *iapacw1970@gmail.com*

With Best Wishes, Team IAPA

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EDUCATIONAL EXCURSIONS CAN BE FUN!!

Students under IAPA's programmes were delighted to witness the many marvels of the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya.

Besides learning more about the history, life science and culture of India, 47 students eagerly participated in the fun activities.

We are thankful to **ConnectFor** for arranging this wonderful opportunity for our children to visit the museum on September 23, 2022 and enhance their knowledge through games and puppet shows.



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Azadi का Amrut Mahotsav

IAPA was proud to be part of the Swatantrata ka Amrut
Mahotsav, an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of India's independence. This was held from 13th to 17th August
2022, under the guidance and instructions of the District Women and Child Development (DWCD) authorities.

IAPA's contribution to the noteworthy celebrations included creating **tri-colour** Rangoli, introduction to IAPA's programs and song recital by IAPA's foster mothers and the recitation of National Anthem by students, IAPA staff and committee members.

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Summer Camp Delight

A summer camp was held from 18th to 23rd April for students of West Khetwadi BMC school, under IAPA's Project Asmita. Fun and learning activities like painting, craft, planting saplings, drama, story-telling, games and visits to the local post office and the police station, kept up their levels of excitement!

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A big Thank you to IAPA's friend *Ananya Kulkarni* and his team, for managing most of these stimulating activities. A party on the last day with musical chairs and dance, was the cherry on the cake that added to the overall happy experience!



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Fitness & Fun



All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. As children battle with the challenges of studies postlockdown, games become a huge stress buster for them. The physical training teacher appointed under Project Asmita ensures that the boisterous energy of the children from the West Khetwadi BMC School gets channelized in the right direction. We are thankful to **Mrs. Sangita Gala** whose generous contribution of various sports items suggested by him, has brought about a huge smile on the faces of the children!!





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Stress Management Session







STRESS! The bane of today's fast paced world, often triggered by one's struggle to balance personal and office related responsibilities within a limited time frame. Resource person Ms. Lamika Karunakaran held a capacity building session on 'Stress Management' for Team IAPA, on 30.7.22.



Simple time-tested techniques shared by her, proved to be excellent stress-busters and fun re-learning for all!! We look forward to more such selfdevelopment sessions, to enhance the skills and resilience of our team.

Our Young Achievers

Shraddha, 75.20%

Shraddha is a 16-year-old confident and clever girl who cleared her Std X Board Exams with flying colours (75.20%). After Shraddha and her two brothers lost their father to AIDS, their mother raised them by herself. With the help of the services such as Foster Care, Supportive Service and Persistent Guidance by the Social Worker, she is now pursuing further education from M.D. College of Commerce to become a Charter Accountant.

Pallavi, 84%

Pallavi who is 23 years old, recently completed bachelors in Micro-biology from Elphinston College, Mumbai with 84% marks. Despite having an inadequate financial condition, her parents relentlessly worked as daily-wage workers and educated their four children. IAPA's services helped Pallavi in achieving her desired goals and now she is all set to pursue Masters in Micro-biology from SIES College, Sion.

Our Young Achievers ... Contd.

Akanksha, 78.80%

Akanksha Kamble, is a young girl who scored 78.80% marks in her SSC Board Exam. Due to financial constraints, she could not afford coaching classes as a result of which she could only refer text books and received help from her friends. IAPA's supportive service helped her in completing her secondary school and is now pursuing Commerce from SNDT College.

Ganesh, 63%

Ganesh Adhalrao passed his HSC Exams with 63% marks. Although, his entire school education was in Marathi, he managed to study all the subjects in English Language and without any tutoring; he was able to score good marks. He lost his parents a long time ago but under the loving care of his grandfather and consistent financial support from IAPA, Ganesh is able to work towards accomplishing his dreams.



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Our Young Achievers ... Contd.

Utkarsha, 90%

Utkarsha, recently completed her T.Y.B. Com with 90% marks. Utkarsha has even started working as an accountant in a pharmaceutical firm. She is happy that she is contributing to the family income and extends her heartfelt gratitude to IAPA for having supported her under their sponsorship program.

Harshita, 91%



Harshita just cleared her SSC Board Exam with 91% marks without taking any external coaching. Her mother raised her on her by herself. Her quest for education and a desire to come up in life has always been a boost in her academic pursuits. She is grateful to IAPA for their supportive services and is working towards achieving her dreams.



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Thank you dear Sponsors and Donors!

We and our children are grateful to our sponsors and donors who have been consistently supporting us.

Together we are making a difference. Your continued support throughout the journey has been deeply gratifying for us and we hope it was the same for you! Your help means a lot to us, thank you for your kind generosity!!





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