

KMRF- Children's Day- Celebrations for village school students at Sreenidhi campus by Sreenidhi-CAS-students.

KMRF—as a routine event that has been happening for the past 9 years, organized a childrens' day celebration on the campus of Sreenidhi in collaboration with the IBDP-CAS & MYP – students of Sreenidhi.



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On November 18, 2017, we had 'Children's Day celebrations' for KMRF –adopted – Aziznagar Govt Primary & High school students from 4th, 5th & 6th grade and around 105 students participated in the various program/events organized and conducted by the Sreenidhi - CAS-students of 11 & 12 IBDP. These are the students who regularly visit Sreenidhi school campus for Saturday activities—that include Sports & Games, English Language instructions and Art & Craft sessions. During their games session all of them are being divided into groups and taken care by the Sreenidhi sports department and us in conducting games and practice for track and field events that they will be taking part on the KMRF-Sports Meet.

We decided to plan a joyful 'Children's Day'. We thought this is a worthy idea, since it will spread a lot of happiness. These very young children have been through a lot, and we wanted to give them a day where it could be all about them. We felt that we created a positive environment throughout the entire event. We started planning this event 2 months prior to the date. We encountered many challenges, but built many happy moments as well. We had difficulties falling in sync but we worked together. Though we had difficulties, we were able to resolve our conflicts and actually learnt many new skills from one another. We were not going to let a few problems get in our way from pulling together to plan a great event for a wonderful cause. By the time Children's Day rolled around, many fond memories existed through dance, music and games to name a few.

On the scheduled day for Children's Day celebratios, we invited the KMRF students over to our school campus and started the day off with explaining the origin of Children's Day. Our group took charge for the 6th graders .Later we transitioned into fun riddles and tongue twisters. The main event of the day was dancing. The KMRF students were encouraged to come up and dance. Even though they were shy at first, one by one, more students came up and danced. The kids were so hyper and full of positive

emotions. We achieved our goal, spreading those smiles from one child to the next. We all agreed the event was a success. It was successful because throughout the whole day, there were smiles radiating from all of us.

Children's Day Celebrations for the Aziz Nagar Village Students

Experince by Pranathi and Tanvi 9A MYP, the other group of Sreenidhi students volunteers from MYP—took charge for entertaining the 5th graders

In regard of the happy celebration of Children's Day, the students of grades 6 to 9 in Sreenidhi International School, came together to plan a fun, exciting day, full of activities and interesting games to entertain the children from the nearby Aziz Nagar village school. These children are 4th, 5th and 6th graders, who have a less privileged life than us, and are trying to develop their skills in English, and Physical Education with the guidance and assistance of specific volunteers as well as teachers from our school, through activities and interactive learning procedures. In order to make Children's Day on the 18th of November, a delightful and interesting experience for the KMRF village students, we started planning almost a week and a half prior.

This year, we wanted to make sure the kids had a good time, but in a new way in comparison to last year. Therefore, we planned out more group activities, and award winning activities. But, we also wanted to make the event more organized than the last one, therefore we made sure to try to implement more creative activities. We decided to partner this programme with our stationery drive- where we collected stationery from the various senior school kids in our school, and we wrapped them into gift sets for the children of the KMRF school. We felt that this would be very helpful for them, and that they would be able to enjoy the gifts as well!

On the Saturday morning, a lot of people turned up, and we began our final organization. We set up 5 stations- Musical Chairs, Sock Dodgeball, Art Competitions, Charades and Pass the Parcel. We divided the volunteers amongst the stations, and decided how to distribute the stationery gifts amongst the winners. We also collaborated with the DP students as to how exactly the programme would be running- as at the end, there would be some common dance performances and distribution of shoes and the stationery.

At the starting of the event, the planner we were trying to execute had a few problems, as the groups weren't all shifting at the same time, and the activities were either going too fast or too slow. But, at the end of an hour, we were able to get things back on

track, and the procedure went quite smoothly. The volunteers cooperated very well and were able to get their work done. Overall, this part of the procedure went quite smoothly and the kids were delighted and they had so much fun!

As soon as the field day activities were over (they took about 1 hour and 15 minutes), there were a few dance performances done by our friends, and after a while, all of the kids joined in to dance with the volunteers. It was a very happy sight to see, and they were all having so much fun!

After these songs and games, there was a prize distribution for all of the kids that performed outstandingly during the day's events, or during their school hours. Yet, everyone returned with a pair of shoes, chocolate, and stationery and chocolate, and many others also received a special gift set of stationery. All of the kids enjoyed these special activities, and it made us extremely happy to see the smiling looks on each and every one of their faces. It was a long day, which was quite eventful and interesting, and after an amazing time, all of the kids returned to their school, with wonderful smiles and happy hearts! This was an amazing learning experience, and we personally developed many skills during the on goings and procedures of the event. There was active participation and all of the volunteers gave us positive feedback. Overall, we can say that this Children's Day Celebration was a success!