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 **HAPPY
INDEPENDENCE
DAY**



On 14th August 2023, the eve of our Independence Day , 'Show and Tell' was organized for the Montessori seniors. The children came dressed as prominent freedom fighters. Their talk included the significant sacrifices made by the freedom fighters and how it chartered the way for our independence. Listening to the children deliver their lines with clarity and passion, aroused the spirit of pride and patriotism amongst the audience.



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The students surprised everyone as they danced to the tune of popular patriotic numbers during the snack break for the whole school. The Early Learners surely stole the hearts of all the onlookers.

The Freshers and Juniors expressed their patriotism by wearing the colours of the Indian flag and singing patriotic songs. This was a vibrant and visually impactful way to celebrate the 77th Independence Day.

The teachers narrated stories emphasizing values of courage and unity, and how it helped India become an independent nation.





Onam celebration at school was a colourful and educational experience for children. The children came dressed in *mundu vesti* and *long skirts*, the traditional Kerala attire. The story of King Mahabali and the significance of Onam which were narrated in class, helped the children understand the mythological and cultural aspects of the festival.





The excitement, joy and shared happiness on celebrating Onam at school bears testimony to the magic of childhood and how easily children can imbibe culture and be truly secular, when introduced to these aspects from a very young age.



Classroom Observations

The Montessori environments once again opened its doors to invite the parents of the Montessori Juniors to observe their children at work.

The observations were held from 7th to 27th September 2023. In the afternoon the teachers met the parents and had a meaningful discussion about the children and their developmental needs as Juniors.



Professional Development

No two children are alike and neither do they learn in the same manner. Similarly, no two academic years are the same.

Here at NPS, Koramangala we make every effort to study the latest global trends in education and adapt ourselves accordingly.

On 4th and 5th July, teachers were part of a training conducted by TTA on the use of 'Graphic Organisers' to drive learning.

On 27th September, Ms.Lakshmi Hariharan from the Madras Dyslexia Association (MDA) conducted a workshop on 'Identifying and supporting students with challenges faced'. She reiterated the need for systematic and consistent support in school as well as at home, so that the children are equipped with coping techniques which will help them deal with the challenges, in a viable manner.

Every month, the Montessori teachers across the NPS group of schools undergo online / on-site training sessions, to help them stay true to the vision of Dr. Maria Montessori, while aligning themselves to the school's vision.

Teachers are also encouraged to work as Professional Learning Communities. They meet regularly, discuss the success and challenges faced, and use the shared experiences to arrive at practical strategies to improve the classroom experience for all our children.



Raising Happy And Independent Children



As parents there are zillion reasons why we want to do things for children. The top three reasons are love, time constraints and welfare of the child. Would you believe that your child would benefit more if you do just the opposite?

Here's why: Some of the benefits of allowing children do their tasks independently :-

- A rise in confidence level and self-esteem.
- Helps develop analytical skills: How to approach and overcome hurdles.
- Helps develop love, compassion and empathy for others.
- Helps children understand that their contribution at home is valued and respected.
- As children grow older, they have a better self-image and are enthusiastic about doing new things.
- Helps develop qualities such as patience, concentration, self-help, cooperation, self-discipline and self-trust.
- By caring for self, children learn to trust their own abilities and have the confidence to help themselves and others in the society.

Here are a few articles that will help you achieve your target of raising independent children

<https://afineparent.com/positive-parenting-faq/fostering-independence.html>

<https://www.parents.com/kids/development/little-things-you-can-do-every-day-to-make-your-child-more-independent/>

Get to know the Montessori method better : <https://montessorichildrensctr.com/articles-links-of-interest/10-characteristics-of-children-in-a-montessori-classroom/>

Remember a child's path towards independence is often slow and messy. Our children will never do the things as quickly or as thoroughly as we can. However, they will learn only when they try.

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