

premdan newsletter

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We would like to begin this Newsletter with our renewed THANKS to each one of you our dear sponsors. It is because of your goodness and generosity that our work at Prem Dan continues to bring life and hope to many needy children.



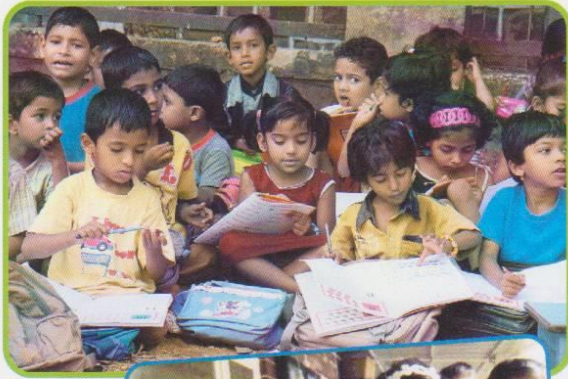
It is heartening to see some of our young Indians getting involved in reaching out to the less fortunate. A group of two young ladies, one gentleman - Shivani Kakar, Shweta Pahuja and Akash Pahuja organised a medical check-up for our children through a medical team from WOCKHARDT Hospital, Mumbai. They invited Noorjahan Shaikh, Programme Coordinator of WHARF to speak to parents on general health, cleanliness and HIV/Aids. Our staff was not forgotten. A session was arranged for them on creative art, and chocolate making. These three young people went to the extent of donating teaching aids and equipment to our Prem Dan Nurseries.



Our academic year closed in April 2011, We brought it to a close with a thanksgiving prayer service for the children. They prayed for their teachers, helpers, sponsors, parents and of course for Sr. Felicity Morris and the Sisters.

This was followed by a party for the children. Each one of them received a gift which they carried home with joy ready to begin their Summer Vacation.





On June 13th 2011, the grounds outside our little 'Garden School' saw a large number of parents from the slums around with their little boys or girls, seeking admission into our Upper Kindergarten Classes. Years ago Sr Felicity had to go around the slums encouraging parents to send their children to School!!! How things have changed!

For this academic year we admitted 86 girls and 131 boys.

The S.S.C. (Secondary School Certificate) Examination results were declared in early July 2011. Our Prem Dan students as you are aware are studying in various schools. Forty-five appeared for the S.S.C. Exams out of which forty-two were successful. Pooja Nair who passed out from Convent of Jesus and Mary, Fort secured 94%. Below is a THANK YOU card written by Pooja addressed to Sr Felicity.



Dearest Mother,

I don't know how to express my gratitude towards you but all I can say is - thank you for encouraging me, guiding me and supporting me for the twelve years of my life.

My success is your blessing.

You have always encouraged me to excel in all my tasks.

Thank you MOTHER!

Your loving child,

Pooja Nair



Our Sincere Gratitude to:

- Our Staff and Volunteers.
- All who have visited Prem Dan and spent time with the children.
- The Staff and Students of Fort Convent for their Social involvement with our children.
- Those who have donated to the feeding programme.
- Our benefactors and sponsors for their goodness to us.
God Bless you.

*Srs Felicity Morris, Zelia rjm, Vidya rjm
and all at Prem Dan.*

