

"As society evolves, education must change to keep pace with it, so may this text serve as a waypost, not a goal".

~Jane Wright

Greetings to all my dear parents and all those who are a part of the Tender Petals family.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for being a part of Tender Petals and for being there with us throughout this session. 2015 has been another incredible year for our little Tender Petalians - full of fun, learning, exploring and getting to know the world (outside the family) better. It has been a brilliant year for our team as well. I take this opportunity to thank all the little ones, the Facilitators, the Centre Heads, the Caretakers, the Franchisees, the Tender Petals & Inner I Foundation office team and all those who have been associated with us directly and obliquely for supporting us throughout.

LAUNCH OF TENDER DAY CARE

2015 marked the launch of TENDER DAY CARE centres - long day care centres providing quality care and education for children in their early years. Tender Day Care was opened in Tender Petals Ananda Nagar, G.S. Road and Guwahati Club centres. We are planning to open Tender Day Care in the Tender Petals Zoo Narengi Road and V.I.P Road centres as well in the coming session.



Events and festivals like Republic Day, Grandparents Day, Bihu, Eid, Forgiveness Day, Mother's Day, World Environment Day, Durga Puja, Children's Day, Christmas, to name a few were celebrated in the centres. Children participated with zest and in some of the celebrations parents were involved too.



ACADEMIC MILESTONES & EVENTS/CELEBRATIONS

In this session the academic curriculum was followed as per the lesson plans keeping in mind the holistic development of each and every child. Individual and Team activities were done with children for proper understanding of a concept, curriculum was imparted through play way method and children were also involved in music and dramatics. I take this opportunity to CONGRATULATE all the outgoing students of our centres, for excelling in the entrance exams into formal schools and bagging seats in reputed schools in Guwahati, Tezpur, Jorhat (Donbosco) to name a few.



CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Annual school week was held at the centres where children competed in competitions like recitation, singing, dancing, and sports like running race, balance race, frog jump, musical chair etc.

FIELD TRIP

Field trips help children gain educational experience away from the regular school environment. A field trip was organized by the Tender Petals centres during the autumn season for the children of their respective centres. Some schools took their students to the park; some visited the Assam State Zoo.



CAMPAIGNS- Earth Kids II/ Swachh Bharat/ Camps

The campaign for the session was Earth Kids-2 - We Are The True Green Keepers. The three months long campaign unfurled with planting of pot plants by children and parents in school. There were activities like gardening, making bird feeders, promise tree, green fashion show, skit on environment etc. Through this campaign children understood about the need of conservation and to love and protect nature. The campaign was indeed very successful. The Swachh Bharat Campaign was started in the centres on 2nd October. Children were involved in cleaning up the school compound and the surroundings. Children participated with a lot of enthusiasm and they understood the importance of cleanliness and hygiene. Summer Camps were held at the Guwahati Club, Guwahati and Sunari Gaon, Jorhat Centres during the month of July. Children from the centres and other schools participated in the camps making it a huge success. Winter camps are being planned by some of the centres for Jan 2016.



COLOUR WEAVERS

The annual Interschool Art and Collage making Competition - Colour Weavers was held in the Tender Petals Centres. The categories were Scribble Scribble, Me and My Crayons (children) and Mom & Me (mother and child). The winners of respective competitions had their final competition at the Weaver Birds Carnival. Children and mothers participated in the event and there was a good response from all quarters.



ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

Annual School Day was celebrated by the Tender Petals Centres. Children and parents took part in the programmes and they showcased dances, skit, songs etc. The activity centre children also took part in the Annual function.





PROCESSING, HANDLOOM, AERO MODELLING & ROBOTICS etc. Organisations to the likes of NEDFI supported the Carnival by their presence. There were also special attractions like exciting quick TAROT READING for parents and other interactive programmes. The Cultural programme that followed the day long Carnival was graced by Sri Ratna Ojah an eminent 'Kala Visharad' as the Chief Guest of the evening. The programme showcased Bihu, Shatriya, Bhaona, songs and programmes performed by the children of Tender Petals Centres. The Weaver Birds Carnival 2015, attempted to enable children explore some areas of the Culture and Traditions of the North East Region.

This was the second year of the Carnival and there was an overwhelming response from students from almost all the schools of Guwahati. Children of all the Tender Petals centres participated in the Weaver Birds Carnival and performed in the Cultural evening. We thank all those who supported us in organizing an event of this magnitude and for making it happen so successfully.

PARENT INTERACTION & PIP (Parent Involvement Programme)

Parent - facilitator meets were held quarterly to keep the parents and guardians abreast of the progress of their wards. There was Child Psychologist Sessions and Parents orientation meets, where topics like good parenting, stress in children, teacher-parent-student triangle, importance of assessment etc. were discussed with parents. These sessions were held in all the Tender Petals centres across the Region.

There were competitions like cooking, mehendi, rangoli making, musical chair etc for the mothers in the Tender Petals centres. We thank the mothers for their participation in the same.



FACILITATOR TRAINING & ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

Facilitator Training Programmes were held in the month of January and April 2015 for training newly recruited facilitators in the existing Tender Petals Centres and for the Centre Heads and facilitators of newly opened centres. Facilitator Orientation programme was also held for the motivation and orientation of the existing facilitators of the Tender Petals centres. Various new ways of dealing with toddlers and pre-schoolers, teaching techniques, child psychology etc. were discussed in the orientation programme.



NEW INCLUSIONS INTO THE TENDER PETALS FAMILY

2015 witnessed new centres of Tender Petals at Azara and Guwahati Club. We welcome them into the Tender Petals family and congratulate them for maintaining the standards set and for having faith in what we stand for. Some new centres are lined up for the coming year. We wish that more and more people be associated with us and take up the opportunity of starting their own Tender Petals centre and be trail markers of a new generation of children who would make us proud in the future.



IIFPL MOMENTS

The IIFPL team celebrated Teachers' Day, Women's Day. A day out was organized at Pobitora on Women's Day. On Teachers' Day all the teachers were invited for a get together.

We are proud to announce that IIFPL & Tender Petals is 2 years old now. The 2nd Anniversary was celebrated at office.



365 days make a year and a year makes a session. Time flew... and we are at the end of an eventful year and look forward to yet another session of fun, learning, exploring and growing up. We have planned an exciting year ahead for our Tender Petalians and look forward to it eagerly.

With this I conclude our Annual Report 2015. Wishing you all a fruitful New Year 2016...

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