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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The month of October begins with Joy of Giving, a feeling of sharing and caring for others in the society. This month at PCER, Chembur a lot of initiatives in this regard was undertaken. We started with the introducing activities on VENTEL and initiated a fund-raising project- Fistful of Grain. A 'We'-feeling was the highlight of all the various aspects in this month, as teachers we are selfless in our actions, words, thoughts it is important that we give our best to the society and upliftment of the stakeholders. The word Share denotes

S - Sincere

H – humble

A - attitude and

R - respect

E – everyone

Let's spread the joy of giving and make valuable contributions in society!

EDITORIAL

Come October, and each year PCER, Chembur gears up for the celebration of Gandhi Jayanti, the Joy of Giving Week, the annual Jumble sale and Dussehra festivals. With the ongoing pandemic situation, we are proud to have followed the same at least, in spirit. The month opened with a week-long Experiential teaching week - the Nai Talim week which was dedicated to bringing Gandhiji's teaching methodology to life.

Though the Jumble sale had to be shelved, the spirit of giving was kept alive with the Fistful of Grain project in its e-avatar. Digital empowerment was ensured through a webinar on online safety and also the inauguration of PCER's own Digital Library.

World Students' Day on October 15th was celebrated via a story telling competition for the current batch of students while PCER also conducted a free CET Orientation for those seeking admission to B. Ed. in 2020-21. All in all, it was an action packed month!

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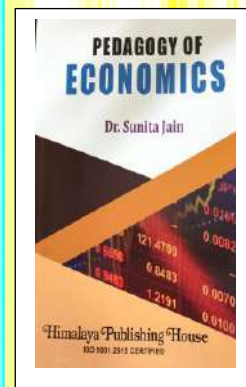
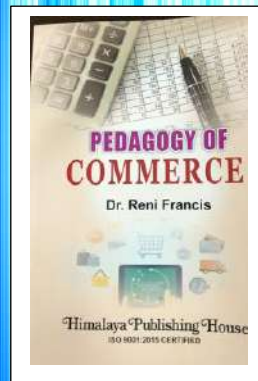
PCER Chembur is proud to have been certified as a VENTEL Action Plan Institution by the Mahatma Gandhi National Council for Rural Education (MGNCRE) Department of Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India

Faculty Achievements

Book Publication

Dr. Reni Francis (Principal) published a book on 'Pedagogy of Commerce' by Himalaya Publishing House (ISO 9001:2015 Certified) with ISBN:978-93-90436-88-0

Dr. Sunita Jain published a book on 'Pedagogy of Economics' by Himalaya Publishing House (ISO 9001:2015 Certified) with ISBN: 978-93-90436-72-9



Paper Publication

Dr. Sunita Jain published a paper on 'A Perceptual Study To Find Out The Causes Of Female Illiteracy In Mumbai's Suburban District By The B.Ed Students' on Online ISSN 2278-8808, SJIF 2019 = 6.380, www.srjis.com PEER REVIEWED & REFEREED JOURNAL, SEPT-OCT, 2020, VOL- 8/61. http://www.srjis.com/issues_data?issueId=162

Publication for VENTAL on Storyweaver.org.in

Stories by **Dr. Reni Francis** were published on the website storyweaver.org.in. These stories are based on good values and are graded level-wise for language learning. One of the stories on the practical use of kitchen gardening is based on the espoused by the Father of our nation – Gandhiji. All stories can be viewed at:



Refresher Course

Dr. Sunita Jain and **Dr. Jaya Cherian** completed their online Refresher Course from UGC-HRDC's Academic Staff College (ASC) of the University of Mumbai on the topic E-Learning and E-Governance from the 16th September to 29th September, 2020. **Both were awarded an 'A' Grade.**

Positive Vibes

Positive Vibes is an initiative to support the wellbeing of the students. It is aligned with the SDG#3 Good Health and Well-being. The students share their troubles or seek help using the email id positivevibes@mes.ac.in.

Hi Sir/ Madam

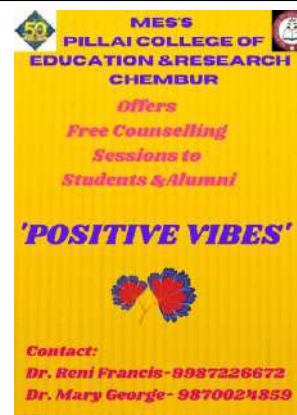
I have problems managing my time and a habit of procrastinating my tasks. I will not do something unless things get serious. Could you suggest some strategies to solve this?

This is an example of the kind of messages we receive:

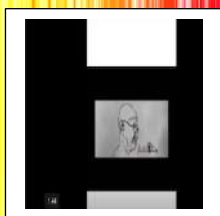
Managing our time is very important. Procrastination is one of the major issues in our experience. This issue can be observed in all age groups. So, this procrastination can be avoided by following simple strategies;

1. Make a to-do list.
2. Make a simple checklist
3. Self-gifting
4. Follow the 10 × 10 matrix wherein, you list 10 tasks for 10 hours. Task 1 can be divided into 10 small tasks which can be completed in 10 minutes. Likewise all 10 listed tasks can be completed in 10 hours. One can adopt one's own matrix, depending upon the nature of the tasks and the duration required to complete it.

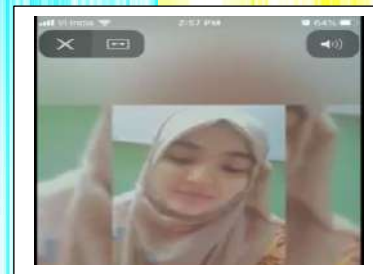
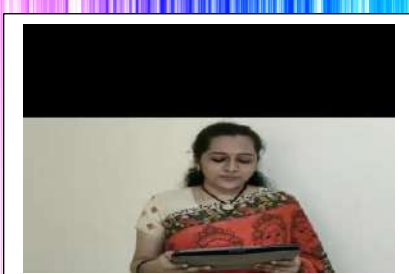
We look forward to this initiative spreading far and wide especially during the current stressful Pandemic days.



Assembly Snippets



The assembly for the month of October focused on the theme of pluralism and the values advocated by Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the nation.. The students presented a variety of activities during the virtual assembly that highlighted the Gandhian values of simplicity, honesty, non-violence, brotherhood, tolerance, cleanliness, dignity of labour etc. The festivals of Navratri Durga Pooja, Dussehra that are celebrated this month were also focused on through the prayers, messages and stories that highlighted the significance and values associated with the festivals. Some of the special days that were observed included World Nature Day, World Food Day, Rashtriya Ekta Diwas etc.



Nai Talim Week October 1st - 7th

Our Activities in the Nai








University of Mumbai, Thane Sub Campus, Thane
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Chembur

NAI TALIM WEEK

1st October - 7th October, 2020

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Sessions conducted for students of Chembur English High School

- 1st October - Knowing our Mahatma (Online Quiz) Std VII - IX
<https://forms.gle/AFKQb2S6J6m6s4>
- 2nd October - Session on Swachhata Diwas Std VI
<https://room.us/24184454920>
<https://24184454920.us2020>
Meeting ID: 941 83445412 Passcode: 250KIC
- 3rd October - Elocution Competition-Theme: Role of teacher- Gandhian Values
<https://meet.google.com/vtp-ss46-zss>
- 4th October - Session on Yoga Std V - X
Session 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWVRJEL6>
Session 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UaQW83bmk0>
Session 3: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HMMu754uast>
- 5th October - Session on Health Guide and Post Covid -19 Std VII
<https://room.us/16136776887>
<https://16136776887.us2020>
Meeting ID: 961 34776887 Passcode: 3P5Q2S
- 6th October - Story Telling Competition, Std VI-VII
<https://room.us/16136776887>
<https://16136776887.us2020>
Meeting ID: 961 34776887 Passcode: 3P5Q2S
- 7th October - Cloth Mask Making Std IX
<https://room.us/16136776887>
<https://16136776887.us2020>
Meeting ID: 961 34776887 Passcode: 3P5Q2S
- 7th October - Bag Making/ Kitchen Gardening Std - VIII
<https://room.us/16136776887>
<https://16136776887.us2020>
Meeting ID: 961 34776887 Passcode: 3P5Q2S

The good work was covered by the Media



SELF

PART OF A POET

As the eyes of a poet
sent to turn the ugly beautiful
not for a deeper sight
see the way all should
a heart of a poet
in turns mundane
yet to turn a drop of love
bestroom of rain
up the mouth of a poet
st be spelled
vision is needed
seen by raising hell.
be a poet
be blind
well turn to the Devil
be like a poet, you'll find
SRIVATS, class IX, Sri Sri
or Vidya Mandir, Nanded

CLEAN CITY, GREEN CITY

In celebration of Nai Talim Week, 2020, University of Mumbai, Thane Sub Campus and MES's Pillai College of Education and Research conducted 'Swachhata Diwas Celebration' for students of Chembur English High School.

The objective of this initiative was to highlight on the Life of Mahatma Gandhi and the philosophy that our young students need to imbibe in their lives. With this aim various activities such as bag making, Yoga, Health guide and e-narration, Storytelling Competition

Grandparents have been suffering from not seeing or being able to hug their grandchildren. So to bring a smile on their face the students had Auro Stene - Old in Gold. Students had lovely messages which showed the ingratitude.

was also done with the students. Anandma Paul, Principal, Chembur English High School congratulated the efforts of the students and teachers of PCER, Chembur and emphasised the importance of Clean City Green City.

Dr. Bansi Francis quoted the words of Gandhi 'the future depends on what you do today' and told the students that our actions today will lead for a bright and beautiful future tomorrow. She thanked Dr. Shalini Masare, I.C. Director, Thane Sub Campus-University of Mumbai and the Management of Mahatma Education Society for their support and encouragement. The programme ended with a motivational song and vote of thanks.

University of Mumbai, Thane Sub Campus, Thane in collaboration with MES's Pillai College of Education & Research, Chembur organised a **Nai Talim Week** from 1st October-7th October, 2020. There were a variety of sessions conducted for students of Chembur English High School.

Day 1: 1st October, 2020

Knowing our Mahatma (Online Quiz)

This quiz focused on Mahatma Gandhi, Father of the Nation whose values, ideals and leadership provided direction to the Indian Freedom Movement. The objective of this quiz is to create awareness about Mahatma Gandhi. Each question carries one mark. There were 15 questions in all.

Day 2: 2nd October, 2020

Session on Swachhata Diwas

The objective of this initiative was to highlight the Life of Mahatma Gandhi and the philosophy that our young students need to imbibe in their lives. The students were oriented on Waste segregation through a detailed activity and gave them an understanding of dry and wet waste. The 10 Golden rules of maintaining and practising Swachh Bharat were also shared. Slogan writing competition and Knowing our Mahatma Quiz was also done with the students.

Ms. Annamma Paul – Principal, Chembur English High school congratulated the efforts of the Student teachers of PCER, Chembur and emphasized the importance of Clean City Green City. She also said that cleanliness begins from us and we need to take the right steps in keeping our city and country clean. Dr. Reni Francis quoted the words of Gandhiji 'the future depends on what you do today' and told the students that our actions today will lead to a bright and beautiful future tomorrow. Be wise in using our natural resources and careful in protecting our resources for the well-being of mankind. She thanked Dr. Sunita Magre, I/C Director Thane Sub Campus- University of Mumbai and the Management of Mahatma Education Society for their support and encouragement. The programme ended with a motivational song and vote of thanks. The teachers of both the institutions and student teachers had conducted the programme effectively. The participants enjoyed the event and gave positive feedback of the programme.

The session can be viewed by clicking the below link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_c--0SUUE6KpVFKYeBcjbCKewML5VKXu/view?usp=sharing

Day 3: Late Principal Mathews Chacko Online Elocution Competition

Elocution Competition

The Late Principal Mathews Chacko Online Elocution Competition was conducted as part of the activities held during the Nai Talim Week on 3rd October at 11.00 am. The elocution competition was conducted by the student council of PCER, live online via Google Meet and the participants comprised of Second Year B.Ed. students. The theme for the elocution competition was '**Role of a Teacher with respect to Gandhian Values**'. The competition was judged by our alumni, **Ms. Suma Lerin** and **Ms. Sivaranjini Ganeshan**. The winners received e-certificates. The winners of the competition were:

First Prize: Ms. Shivani Mayekar

Second Prize: Ms. Benazeer Jamadar

The anchors for the programme were student council members Ms. Jeni James and Ms. Alisha Memon who ensured the smooth flow of the event. The judges appreciated the efforts of the participants, the smooth conduct of the programme and also encouraged the audience to take up such opportunities as good communication skills were an important aspect of a teacher's competencies. Principal Dr. Reni Francis motivated the students to keep learning and take part in such events which would enable the holistic development of their personalities. The activity was in alignment with SDG 4 Quality Education. The Google Meet Link for the competition: <https://meet.google.com/grp-sbbt-zcg>

Day 4: 4th October, 2020

Sessions on Yoga

The yoga practitioners, **Ms. Hansa Mamtara** and **Mr. Anup Thomas** had pre-recorded warm up sessions and basic yoga sessions. These videos were sent to 5th -9th standard students who benefited a lot. Due to the COVID- 19 pandemic, people across the world are in a lockdown stage.

So this was a big opportunity for the students to understand and practice yoga staying back home and relate it with Gandhiji's principles.

The following links were shared with the students:

Session1:https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D_WoVRIJEL4

Session2:<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t4apW88bmKQ>

Session3:<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMMu754zedY>

Day 5: 5th October, 2020

Session on Health Guide and Post Covid -19 Sanitization

The session included games, quiz, videos on precautionary measures against Covid-19, the importance of precautionary measures on Covid-1 and managing mental health. The various activities to foster physical and mental health were also provided during the session. Posters related to Post Covid health Practices were also shown to students. Ms. Rimita Dutta, a B. Ed. student, who recovered from Covid19, shared her story which was very useful to the participants as it gave insight to various things to be taken care of during this pandemic.

The session can be viewed by clicking the below link:

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Day 6: 6th October, 2020

Story Telling Competition

Story Telling Competition was organised for 5th-7th standard students of Chembur English High School on 6th October, 2020. The theme of the competition was '**Gandhian Values**'. There were 21 participants in total. Each participant was given a platform to showcase their story telling skills. The stories were narrated with a lot of confidence. The judges were Ms. Sherry Jose, Ms. Benazeer Jamadar and Ms. Rashmi Shinde. The judges shared their expertise after the participation from the students. The winners of the competition were:

7th Grade, First Prize: Miss Bhargavi Sonawane

7th Grade, Second Prize: Master Anurag Gaikwad

6th Grade, First Prize: Miss Azeen Hashmi

6th Grade, Second Prize: Miss Drushti Karkar

5th Grade, First Prize: Miss Arya Shinde

Dr. Reni Francis, congratulated all the participants, winners and the organisers of the programme.

The session can be viewed by clicking the below link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zzzMeAYnsMVAz0tw1z4cO6efAnbHU9xq/view?usp=sharing>

Strength does not come
from physical capacity.
It comes from
an indomitable will.



Day 7: 7th October, 2020

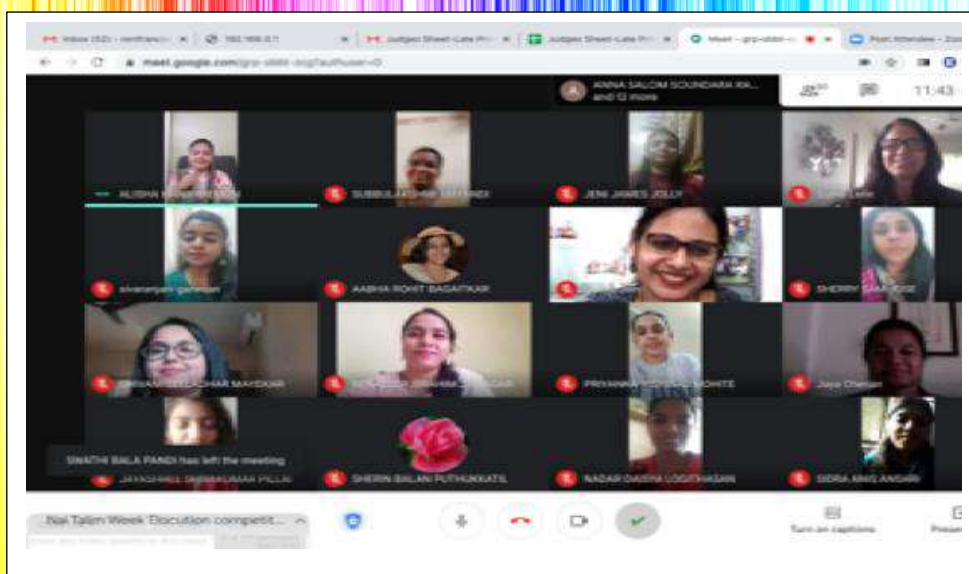
Mask Making Session

Students from the tutorial group of Dr. Swasti Dhar conducted a session on Mask Making with the Ninth standard students of Chembur English High School. After welcoming everyone, the students threw light about the importance of masks with a talk on General Awareness about Masks which answered questions such as why one should wear a mask, where the mask is worn, who should not wear masks and general do's and don'ts about mask-wearing. This was followed by a talk on the different types of masks and who should wear them.

Students of CEHS were then taught how to make a simple unstitched mask from a piece of cloth at home. Instructions were given and the students followed the instructions and made the mask side by side. A video on how to make a cloth mask was shown and shared with the students.

Students were also told about the correct way to maintain and/ or dispose of a mask after its use. A quick recap test was taken via Google Form.

The session ended with a vote of thanks to all the patrons, Principals, teachers and students. The session can be viewed at: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OwjtKVMHOjOsLL-Lpv4hR6T3bb0KiA-Q/view?usp=sharing>



A glimpse from the Nai Talim session

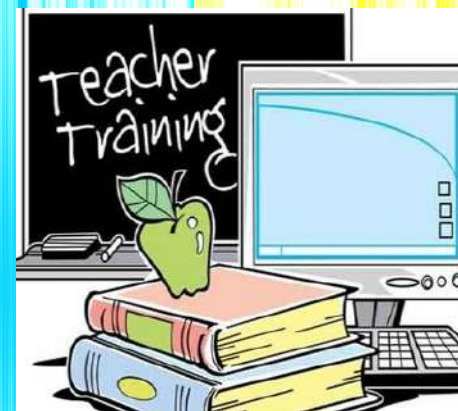
Successful Completion of the Semester IV (B. Ed). Examinations

The Pandemic and the subsequent lockdown had adversely affected the final Semester IV examinations for the Batch of 18-20. With the University of Mumbai's decision to conduct the course-end and the ATKT examinations via the Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL) platform, PCER, Chembur geared up to meet the challenges of Mission - MU Exams 2020.

All the teachers underwent online training provided by the MKCL in order to learn how to work on the new software. The University divided all the colleges in 10 clusters with each cluster having 10 to 11 colleges under them. The entire cluster worked in tandem to decide upon the syllabus, format and the nitty-gritties of the examination process.

Apart from preparing for a whole new way of examinations, the Principal and teachers were in constant touch with the students in order to guide them for the same. The examinations were successfully completed on the 5th, 7th and 9th of October, 2020.

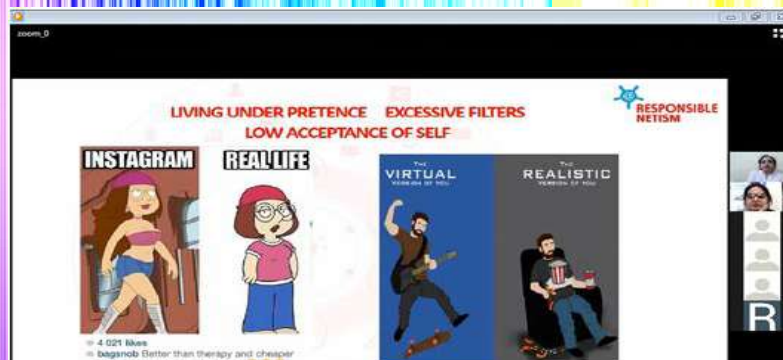
This new experience instilled in all of us renewed faith in the vision of our institution of being able to tackle global issues in a techno-savvy manner.



Digital Stree Shakti - Webinar on Online Safety of Girls



MES's Pillai College of Education & Research, Chembur
in collaboration with
Maharashtra State Commission for Women and Responsible Netizen
with
Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC)
organises
**Digital Stree Shakti-
WEBINAR ON ONLINE SAFETY OF GIRLS**
Date: 10th October, 2020
Time: 11:00 am - 12:30 noon
LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION : 8th October, 2020
Link to Register
<https://forms.gle/jx5gGxDZFsqG8HcB6>
FOR MORE DETAILS EMAIL US AT pceralumni@mes.ac.in or contact us at
9892166639/ 9987215672



On account of International Day of the Girl Child and World Mental Health Day, 'Digital Stree Shakti-Webinar on Online Safety of Girls' was held on 10th October by MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur in collaboration with Maharashtra State Commission for Women and Responsible Netism along with Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC). The webinar focused on the online safety of girls prioritizing security measures, online protection and cyber wellness.

There were 120 female participants both from B.Ed. and D.Ed. batch of student teachers who had registered and attended the program wholeheartedly. The Session was in sync with SDG 5: Gender Equality and SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals.

The host of the webinar, Ms. Sherry Jose (GS, PCER) welcomed the attendees and introduced the organisers and speakers for the day. The event commenced with the inaugural speech of the Chairperson of Management Board of Mahatma Education Society and Co-founder of the Pillai Group of Institutions, **Dr. Daphne Pillai**, congratulated the organizers for this great initiative. **Ms. Yvette Lee**, President of Soroptimist Welfare Association, stressed on the theme of International Day of the Girl Child - “My voice - our equal future” and threw light on the need to recognize girls’ rights and the unique challenges faced by girls.

“Little girls with dreams become women with vision” - quoting this the Principal of PCER, **Dr. Reni Francis** explained the importance of use of technology in today’s time and addressed the necessity for awareness of security of women and the sensitization towards digital safety.

The speakers for the webinar were -

1. **Ms. Sonali Patankar**, founder of Responsible Netism and President of Ahaan Foundation, who has 25 years of experience in the field of social work and mental health.
2. **Mr. Unmesh Joshi**, co-founder of Responsible Netism, who specializes in the field of cyber law.

Ms. Sonali Patankar displayed a presentation listing and describing the various forms of cyber harassment such as hacking, creating fake profiles, stalking, morphing, body shaming and trolling. Sharing her experience and case studies, Ms. Patankar emphasized on the dangers and after effects of such kinds of harassment on mental health. Special stress was laid on the need to stand up against such harassment and report them to guard oneself.

Mr. Unmesh Joshi dealt with the concept of cyber safety. He urged the participants to continuously update themselves about the various cyber safety measures. Mr. Joshi gave some quick tips to be cyber safe and explained the steps for security settings of major social sites such as WhatsApp, Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat. He explained the nature of different cyber crimes, sections under which they are charged and the corresponding punishments.

Highlighting the importance of responsible online behaviour, they shared the contact information of Responsible Netism, Mahila Aayog helpline and cyber cells, Mumbai and Thane in case of facing instances of cyber crimes.



CET Orientation Sessions - 13th to 16th October, 2020

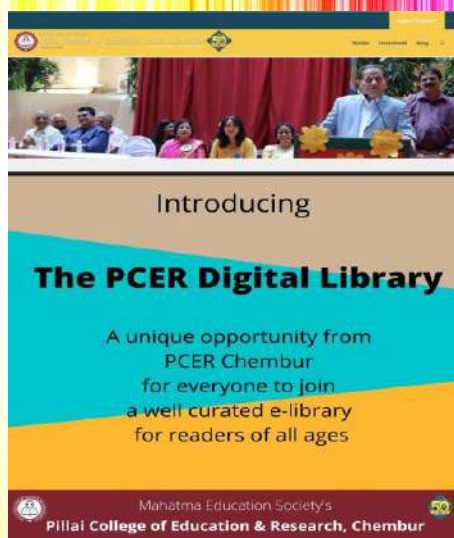
PCER, Chembur conducted a **four-day Orientation Session** on the upcoming B. Ed. Maharashtra Common Entrance Test conducted by the Government of Maharashtra. For this academic session the CET will be conducted on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of October, 2020.

PCER Chembur conducted these orientation sessions **free of charge** for those students who had expressed a desire for the same. Following are the details of the sessions conducted:

- 13th October, 2020 - Session on 'Mental Ability' conducted by Dr. Sunita Jain
- 14th October, 2020 - Session on 'General Knowledge' conducted by Dr. Jaya Cherian
- 15th October, 2020 - Session on 'English Language Content' conducted by Dr. Swasti Dhar
- 16th October, 2020 - Session on 'Teacher Attitude & Aptitude' conducted by Dr. Reni Francis

The sessions were held via Zoom Meeting. There were a total of 84 students who benefitted through these sessions.

PCER Digital Library



PCER, Chembur is proud to announce its new initiative - the launch of the PCER Digital Library - which was launched on 19th October, 2020. This e-library is a free to use website for anyone who is interested in good, well curated content.

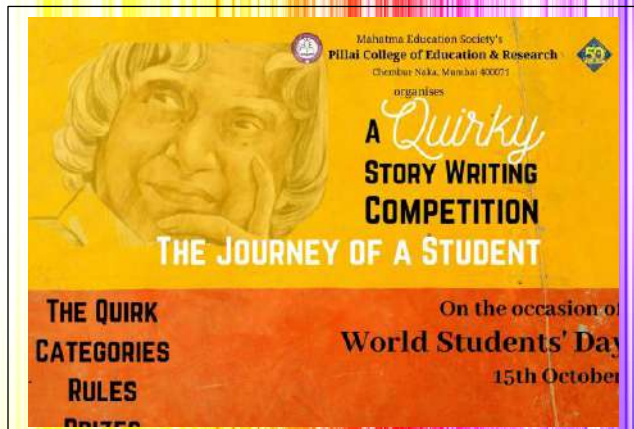
This initiative was launched in order to inculcate sound reading habits, especially, among the youth of India. The library is well stocked with books which have an appeal for all age-groups, with a special section dedicated to very young readers.

In order to become a member, one must go to digitallibrary.pcer.ac.in and register as a user. This will give the user unlimited access to all the books in the library and one is free to read online. In case one wants to read the book offline, they can request for the PDF which would be sent to them within a day.

This initiative is in line with SDG# 12 - Responsible Consumption & Production and has been appreciated by all! The e-library can be visited at <https://digitallibrary.pcer.ac.in/>



World Students' Day- A Quirky Story Writing Competition




THE QUIRK <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MISSILE MAN • DREAM MACHINE • RAMESHWARAM • APJ ABDUL KALAM <p>EACH STORY MUST CONTAIN ALL OF THE ABOVE WORDS</p>	CATEGORIES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL • SCIENCE FICTION • POETIC RHYME <p>YOU MAY SELECT ANY OF THESE CATEGORIES AND CHOOSE A LANGUAGE BETWEEN HINDI OR ENGLISH. THUS, THERE ARE SIX CATEGORIES</p>
THE RULES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • THE TITLE OF THE STORY FOR ALL IS 'THE JOURNEY OF A STUDENT' • WORD 400 TO 600 WORDS (TO BE TYPED & UPLOADED) • EACH STUDENT CAN ONLY SUBMIT ONE ENTRY • ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL • ENTRIES TO BE SUBMITTED BY SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER, 2020 VIA PROOF FOR ASSOCIATION 	PRIZES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EARLY BIRD - THE FIRST ENTRY TO BE SUBMITTED • CATEGORY-WISE FIRST AND SECOND PRIZES IN EACH CATEGORY • CERTIFICATES AND CASH PRIZES FOR ALL THE WINNERS

On the occasion of **World Students' Day on 15th October, 2020** - a day dedicated to commemorate the late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's birth anniversary, the students of PCER, Chembur participated in a story writing competition with a twist.

Students were invited to send in their entries by the 18th October in either English or in Hindi under the themes - Autobiographical, Science Fiction or Poetic Rhyme. Each story was to be titled 'The Journey of a Student' and the twist/ quirk was that each entry had to contain four specific words/ phrases as a part of the story.


Students participated enthusiastically. The winners were awarded Certificates and a cash prize (Amazon coupons) which were sponsored by the Alumni Association of PCER, Chembur.

The activity was in line with SDG#4: Quality Education.



 <div> Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education & Research Chembur Naka, Mumbai 400071 organises A Quirky STORY WRITING COMPETITION THE JOURNEY OF A STUDENT </div>					
THE WINNERS					
THE EARLY BIRD PRIZE -MS. KHYATI SHAH					
ENGLISH			HINDI		
AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL	SCIENCE-FICTION	POETIC-RHYME	AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL	SCIENCE-FICTION	POETIC-RHYME
1ST MS. CRISTIN KENNY	MS. SHEETAL KOLTE	MS. DAISYA NADAR	MS. KRUSHBOO DHURIYA	MS. BENAZEER JAMADAR	
2ND MS. KIRALI SANKRUM	MS. DIVYANKA MOURIE	MS. JULIET MIRANDA	NO ENTRIES RECEIVED		

The Alumni Returns - Bringing Kolb's Learning Cycle to the Classroom

ALUMNI RETURNS



MS. VASUNDHARA KAUL
Alumna 2013-14
Edupreneur &
NLP Practitioner

**The Learning Q-est series**

The Alumni Association
of PCER Chembur
invites you to a Live session on

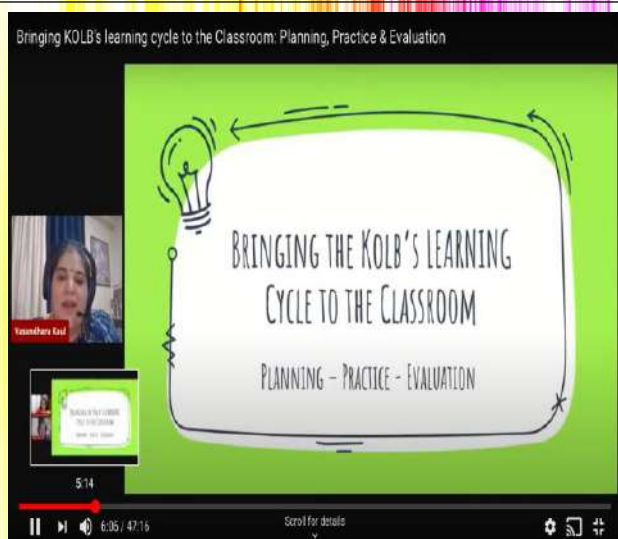
**BRINGING KOLB'S LEARNING CYCLE
TO THE CLASSROOM**
Planning, Practice & Evaluation

29th October, 2020 5:00 PM
www.YouTube.com/PCERChembur

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Chembur

On the 29th of October, 2020, Ms. Vasundhara Kaul, our alumna from the batch of 2013-14 participated in 'The Learning Q-est Series' as a part of the Alumni Returns programme to speak about the practical applications of Kolb's Learning Cycle in the classroom.

Educational theories are of a lot of importance in teacher-training and it falls upon the experienced teachers to throw light upon how these can be practically applied to the teaching-learning process.

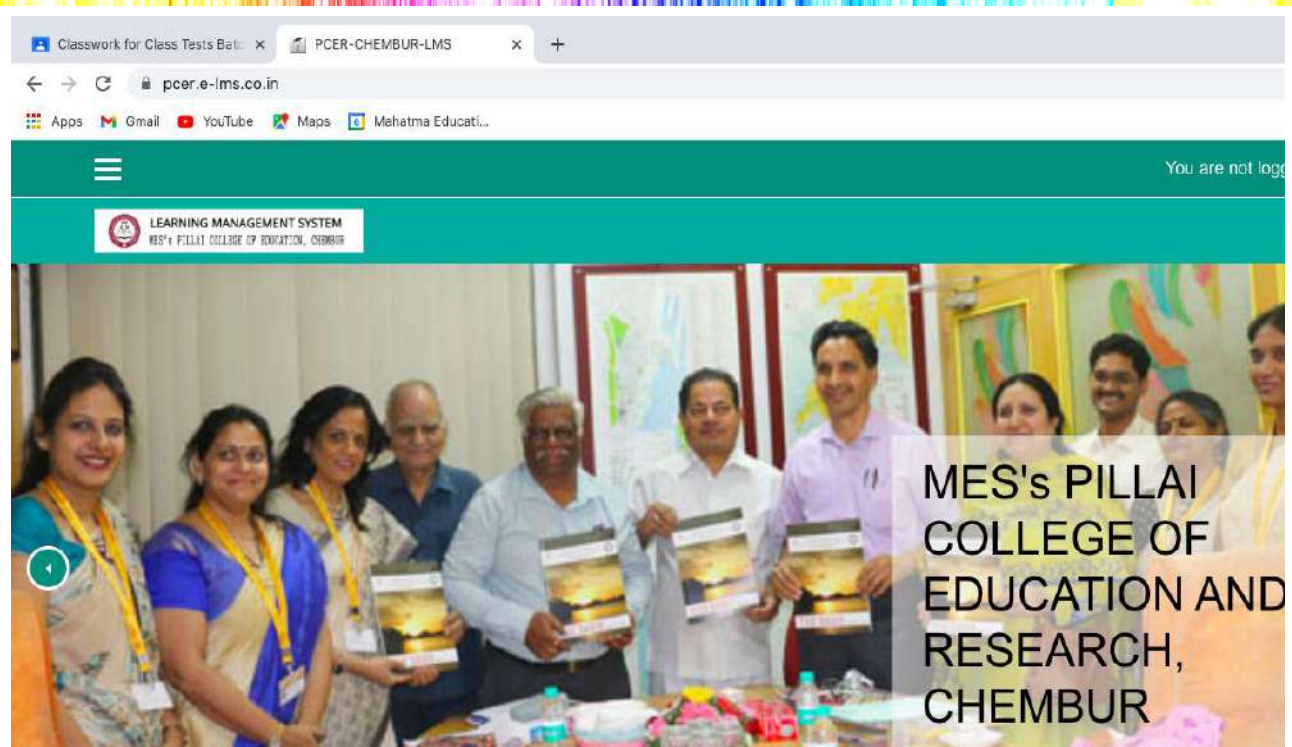


The talk demystified the four learning styles as given by David Kolb and simplified the corresponding learning cycles. Ms. Vasundhara spoke about how the awareness about the four stages in the learning cycle can be used by the teacher in order to ensure that all learning is brought into the experience of the learner.

The talk was hosted by Dr. Swasti Dhar and streamed live on PCER Chembur's Youtube Channel. This activity is in accordance with SDG #4: Quality Education and can be viewed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOcfuwLuLQ>

PCER Chembur's e-LMS (Learning Management System)

(pacer.e-lms.co.in)



Teaching-learning in PCER has always incorporated an element of online teaching methodologies which many teachers incorporating various educational platforms.

With the onset of the Pandemic, the college moved on to using the G-Suite seamlessly and could complete all the commitments to the students via Google Classroom and other Google Apps. With online education now looking to becoming an integral part of the learning process, PCER Chembur is happy to announce its own e-LMS. The portal has been acquired and the teachers have undergone training in the use of Moodle. Short term add-on courses and other value-added courses will soon be available initially, for our students and alumni and PCER hopes to expand this soon.

Here's to an exciting new beginning!.



Student's Corner



Importance of Teacher Training

Education is one of the most important components for the development of a person and teachers are its most important agents. With the world constantly evolving, it is crucial for them to constantly upgrade and evolve as well.

A teacher's training is a continuous and never-ending process that promotes teacher's teaching skills, master novel knowledge; develop better and newer proficiency, reinforce what works, and what doesn't, which in return assists in improving student's learning and development.

Teaching isn't just about giving long lectures and notes. There is so much more to teaching than that. A teacher has to have the confidence, great class management skills, ability to command the attention of their students, cater to the needs of different types of students efficiently, organize and plan classroom schedules, assess assignments and tests and so much more. For a lecture to be productive and beneficial for the students, the teacher must keep them engaged and interested and direct all their focus on the topic at hand. If a teacher fails to achieve such an atmosphere it might result in a very unproductive classroom atmosphere.

All this can be achieved with proper and regular training for the teachers. Especially in the times of a pandemic when everything has gone digital, proper training for the teachers has become the need of the hour. Since the whole online classes' situation is new for everyone, it becomes chaotic and unorganized if proper guidelines and training aren't provided on how to deal with the students as well as how to operate the various software and educate the students about them as well.

In order to better cater and keep up with the ever-changing pedagogical trends, teacher's training is a vital component of the education system as a whole.

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