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HORIZON

Principal's Message



No man ever steps in the same river twice, for it's not the same river and he's not the same man.

-Heraclitus

Welcoming teachers and students after Diwali, a much lit up and sweet Diwali celebration after two years of Covid. We all have faced the difficult trying times and turning point of our life through covid lockdown. We have bounced back with a ray of hope and aspiration and hence this quote builds our strong motive to walk in our life further. At B.Ed we started with the University exams and then moving forward to numerous activities and interactive sessions. Harnessing the abilities of the students is the vital aspect of teaching. This requires identifying your learner and designing your teaching as per the learner's needs. As the students step into the SY.B.Ed, it is time to nurture their skills for being ready to the workforce. Campus placements slowly starts buzzing through PCER, Chembur making students ready for the job. All through the life at PCER, Chembur always keeps blossoming to new flowers and leaves this spreading magic around.

Two months to go to the end of the year with a positive mind we look forward to greener pastures ahead.

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Editorial



Mr. Rajendra Deshmukh

Human abilities like super memory, application of acquired knowledge, understanding problems and finding solutions to them, observation and interpretation, critical and creative thinking, creativity and innovation are responsible for human advances over the years. We do not see an end to human progress and advancement thanks to our research abilities.

Research finds solutions to problems, interprets a particular phenomenon or makes something more easier or effective through creation, Educational research improves the classroom practices and teaching learning processes and helps achieve the desired outcomes set by the stakeholders.

Validity and reliability makes the research more authentic and the feedback improves the research and researchers over time, presenting and sharing research work gives direction to the audience. Enable budding researchers and end users of research to understand the procedures, discuss results, offer feedback and take the work a step further.

IQAC of MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur in collaboration with Department of Education, The Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul and ISS College of Teacher Education, Perinthalmanna organized a Two Days International Multi-Disciplinary Online Conference on Experiential Learning - Holistic Approach in Education on 29th and 20th November, 2022. It was a successful endeavour with more than 60 papers being presented in the conference.

PCER Faculty attended the Short Term Courses organised by the UGC-HRDC Gujarat University and presented papers in the conferences.

Visit to Canshala, Paper Bag Making Workshop, Campus Placement, Chetana Publication Orientation to Writing as a Career Avenue post B.Ed, Evaluation Workshop, Stress Less Session and talk by Advocate Ujjawala Kadrekar were major events at PCER Chembur in the month of November.





Faculty Achievement



The principal Dr. Reni Francis and faculty members Asst. Prof. Mr. Rajendra B. Deshmukh, Asst. Prof. Ms. Achala Bhor Asst. Prof. Ms. Surekha Chidambaranath completed a Short Term Course organized by UGC-HRDC Gujarat University during 7/11/2022 to 13/11/2022 on topics such as Soft Skills, ICT in Teaching and Research Paper Writing.

Dr. Reni Francis presented a research paper titled 'Perception on Health as an indicator towards a Welfare State' at the national seminar on population education organised by NCERT at Regional Institute of Education, Ajmer.



Dr. Reni Francis conducted an Inservice Training session of ABE (Archdiocesan Board of Education) at St. Andrews High School, Bandra on 10th November 2022.



Special Assembly- Children's Day, Constitution Day & International Day for the Elimination of Violence against women

On 26th November, 2022 S.Y.B.Ed students of Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur organized a special assembly observing three important occasions; Constitution Day, International Day of Elimination of Violence Against Women and Children's Day. The assembly began by invoking the blessings of the Almighty. The 'Thought for the day' was in line with respect towards our unique Constitution and being a responsible citizen. This was followed by an insightful speech highlighting the works done by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar 'The father of the Indian Constitution' and his contribution towards our country and drafting the constitution. The speaker also enlightened the audience about the different sections, laws, rights, and aspects of the Indian Constitution, and gave an effective conclusion through her speech on working together as a Nation to eliminate violence against Women. An inspirational and heart-touching story was shared via a video on the Elimination of Violence against Women. The assembly was concluded with fun-filled activities to relive childhood memories in celebration of Children's Day followed by the Principal addressing the students.

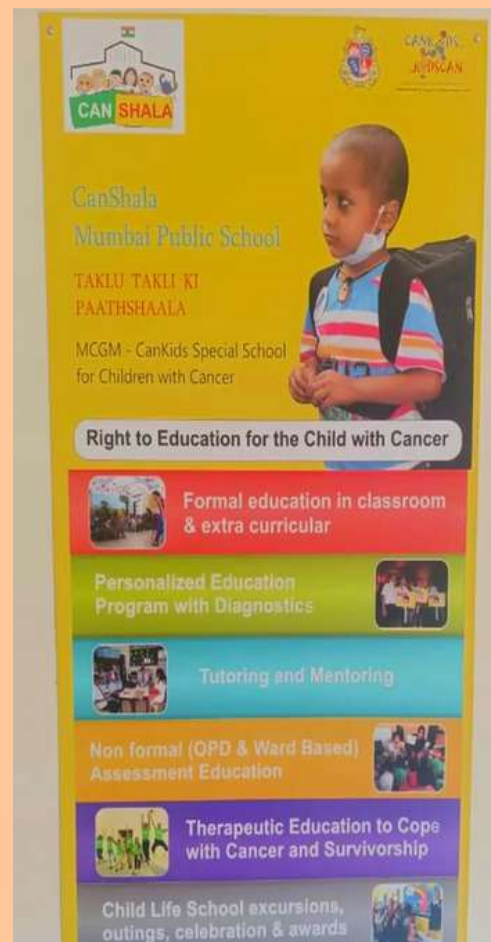


Celebrating National Education Day

Visit to CanShala



Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur observed National Education Day on 11th November, 2022 by visiting CanShala, a school for children undergoing treatment for cancer. On this occasion PCER, Chembur donated educational resources to the students of CanShala.



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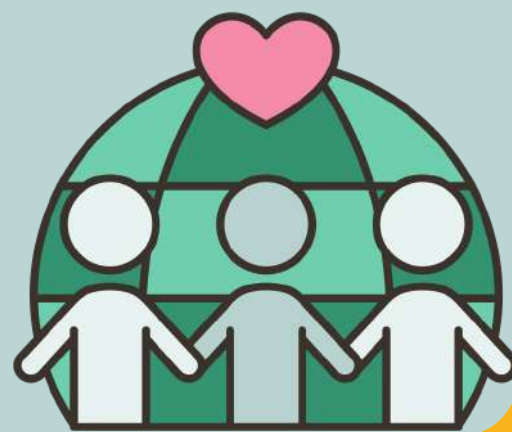
BE KIND
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World Kindness Day Celebration

Sometimes the simplest things make the most significant difference! On 13th November World Kindness Day was observed by PCER, Chembur to promote empathy through various acts of Kindness and to highlight the importance of being humane. S. Y. B. Ed students of Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur commemorated World Kindness Day by harnessing the positive potential of acts of kindness. On this day, S.Y. B. Ed students performed various acts of kindness such as providing food to the poor and needy, feeding stray dogs, etc. Students uploaded videos of their kind deeds on Instagram and tagged PCER Chembur. This activity reinforced in our student teachers the values of compassion and empathy which contribute in developing a positive and caring approach towards everyone.



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Workshop: Paper Bag Making



To foster creativity and also instill sustainability among the students, PCER, Chembur organised a Best out of Waste - Paper bag Making Workshop on 16th November, 2022. The workshop was conducted by Ms. Pradnya Purao, Visiting Faculty for Arts and Craft, PCER, Chembur. Students were given an opportunity to use their creativity while making the paper bag. Colourful and beautiful paper bags were created by the students. Overall, the workshop was a fun-filled learning experience for all.



Value Added Course: Being Job Perfect

Personality Development and Communication Skills by Jyoti Malhotra

A session on Personality Development and Communication skills was conducted by Ms. Jyoti Malhotra, PCER Alumna on 18th Nov 2022 as a part of career guidance. The session focused on how teacher trainees should mould and refine themselves while being true to their own strengths. The student teachers were asked to think about the image of themselves that they would want to create in their future institutions. The session also touched upon what not to do as a teacher, especially related to presentations and worksheets. In addition to this, a few stereotypes were explored to understand what personality development really entails.



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Value Added Course: Being Job Perfect

Chetana Publication Orientation to Writing as a Career Avenue

On 24th November 2022, a session on Career Guidance was organised by the Placement Cell of PCER. The session was conducted by Ms. Dharshana Dabke from Chetana Education. The session highlighted the various career options available to student teachers after completion of their B. Ed programme. Ms. Dharshana oriented the students about publications, content development and the kind of work that takes place in this field.

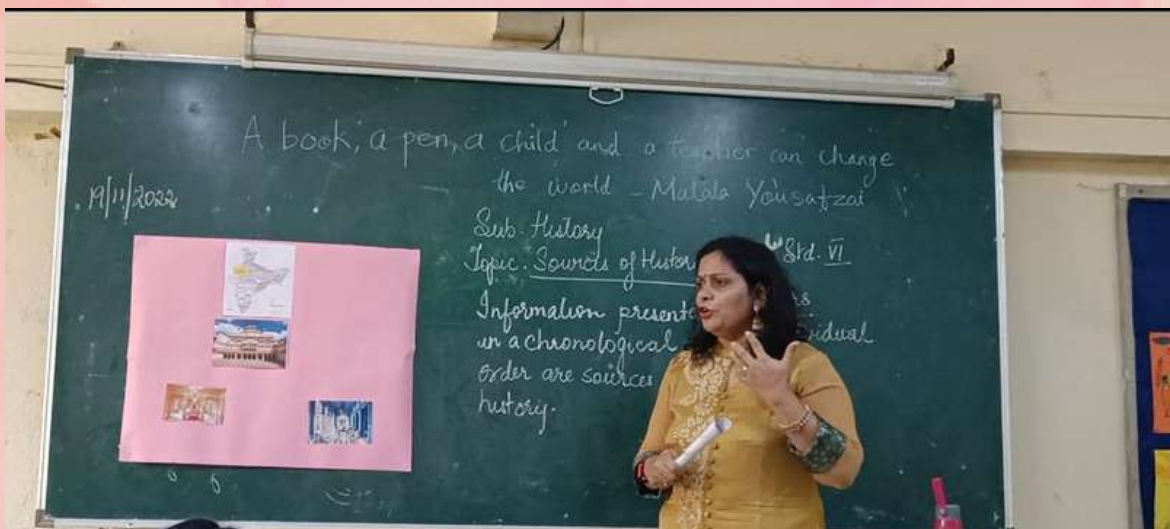
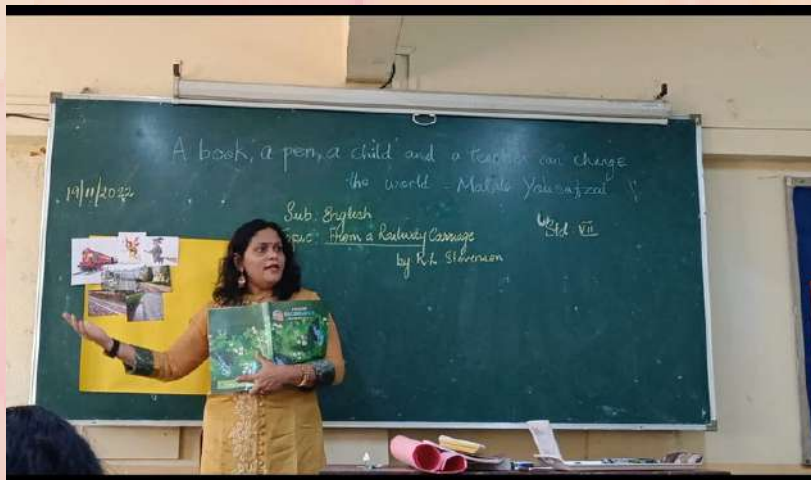


Workshop: Evaluation

A series of Evaluation Workshops was conducted for the students of Batch 2021-2023. The objective of the workshop was to acquaint the students with the concepts of Year Plan, Unit Plan, Blueprint, and Test papers. They were taught how to make all the above mentioned plans and what were the objectives behind making them. The evaluation workshop was conducted by the faculty members, Ms. Achala Bhor, Ms. Surekha C, Ms. Diandra Pinto and Mr. Rajendra Deshmukh. The students were also provided with specimens and samples of year plan, unit plan, blueprint and test papers. They were guided by their guidance teachers and were asked to submit a copy of it as an assignment.

Demonstration Lesson by Dr. Reni Francis

Dr. Reni Francis conducted two demonstration lessons for the students to provide an additional example of desirable classroom teaching and student management. The English poem, From a Railway Carriage by Robert Louis Stevenson was taught. For History, the lesson topic was Sources of history. Reni ma'am used effective teaching aids to demonstrate how to use them appropriately. She also showcased how one can integrate core elements and values into the lesson seamlessly.

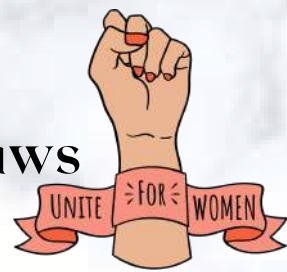


Session on Stress Less

On 24th November 2022, Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education and research conducted a session on Stress Management for the students of S.Y. B. Ed, Batch (2021 - 2023). The session was conducted by Ms. Yvette Lee, Mahatma Education Society's in-house Counsellor and social worker. Ms. Yvette began with an interaction with the students to find out their current stressors and methods of stress management. She then shared the long term and short term effects of stress and some techniques that prove to be helpful for stress management. These included Mental Grounding, Physical grounding, Soothing grounding and Mindful activities. She also shared some tips on ways to reframe and handle negative talk. Reframing the negative self-talk can actually help change our perspective. It will help us to have a positive mindset.



Expert Talk - Women's Rights and Laws



Pillai College of Education and Research Chembur, in association with Soroptimists International Bombay Chembur and Stree Mukti Sanghatana organised an expert talk on the topic 'Women Rights & Laws' on the occasion of International Day of Elimination of Violence Against Women on Saturday, 26th November 2022.

The guest speaker for the event was Advocate Ujjwala Kadrekar and after being introduced to all present and felicitated by the Principal Dr. Reni Francis, Ms. Ujjwala began her interactive session. She spoke about how people need to be aware of their fundamental rights and asked students to list examples of violence against men and women. She pointed out how society still tends to perceive women as inferior, even though fundamental rights are enjoyed by all citizens equally, regardless of gender.

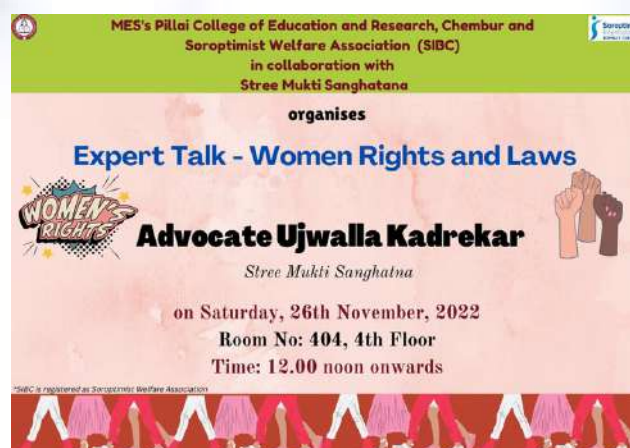
She discussed how pain is self-chosen, and how people find it difficult to stand up for themselves. She asked students to list characteristics of 'good' and 'bad' women and how these labels have been decided by society and how no law exists that supports these sexist and stereotypical beliefs.

She deliberated on the details of the provisions listed in the Domestic Violence Act, 2005 and the Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences Act, 2012. She elaborated on the four types of violence (physical, emotional, economic, sexual) and gave real-life examples of various cases of violence against women and girls.

Ms. Ujjwala also introduced new terms like sexual harassment, disrobing, voyeurism and stalking (these acts had previously not been officially recognized) She emphasized on how cognizable offences need a FIR to be filed, before the police can get involved.

She then proceeded to deliberate on the five relief measures provided to victims of domestic violence: protection order, residence order, monetary relief, custody of children and compensation. She urged students to contact helplines and reach out to those in positions of authority who can help, instead of staying silent.

The session concluded with a Q & A session where Ms. Ujjwala addressed several concerns of the students.



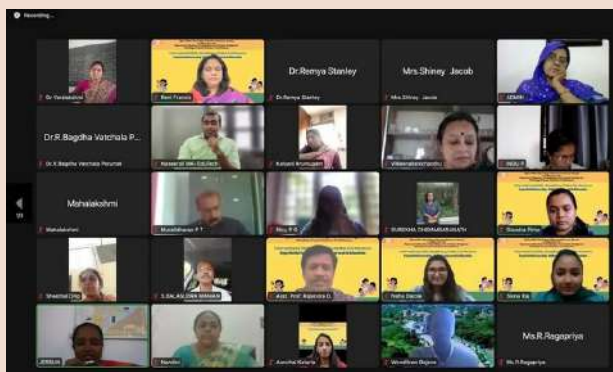
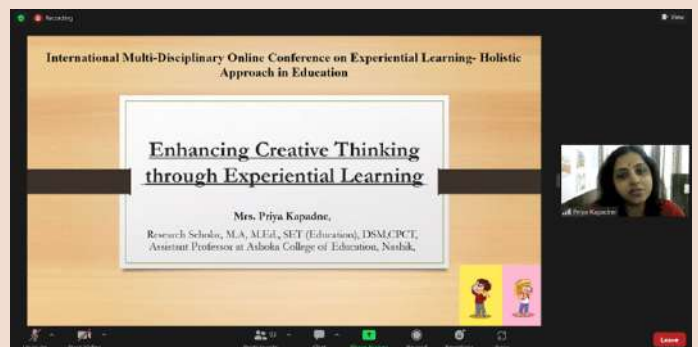
International Multi-Disciplinary Online Conference on Experiential Learning - Holistic Approach



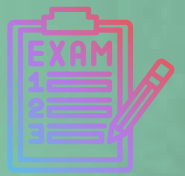
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Principal, faculty and students of PCER, Chembur are thankful to the Management - Mahatma Education Society for the continued support and encouragement. PCER, Chembur is also thankful to Dr. Matthew Witeinstein - University of Dayton, Dr. Wondifraw Dejene -Dire Dawa University for their valuable insights. Over 60 presenters across the two days conference. It was a great platform for sharing knowledge and valuable learning.

The two day International Multi-Disciplinary Conference on Experiential Learning - Holistic approach in Education was a resounding success with several research scholars presenting valuable insights from their work both nationally and internationally. The joint collaboration of the Department of Education, The Gandhigram Rural Institute Dindigul, Tamil Nadu, MES's Pillai College of Education Chembur, Mumbai and ISS College of Teacher Education Perinthalmanna, Kerala proved to be a productive one.



Semester 2 University Examination



PCER conducted the Semester 2 University Examination for F.Y B.Ed students in the month of October. The exams were held on 7th, 9th and 10th of November 2022 in the offline mode as per the regulations of the University of Mumbai. The students were provided with necessary orientation and support for preparing for the exams. The paper was of 60 marks and consisted of 30 MCQ's of 1 mark each and 10 Descriptive questions of 3 marks each.

Semester 3 Internship

Students began with their Practice Teaching Internships for Semester 3 soon after the completion of their Semester 2 university examination. The students have been engaged with their practice teaching lessons as well as co curricular activities in the school.



Alumni Corner



Ms. Priyanka Pal
PCER Alumni
Batch 2020-22

Student Corner

S. Y. B.Ed students work from the Paper Bag Making Workshop



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Aditi Talgaonkar



Siddhi Kundalia