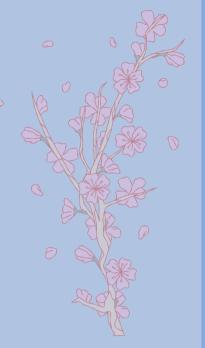
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HORIZON PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE





Dr.Reni Francis

In the midst of the hustle and bustle of activities and exams, and looking forward to the end of the academic year, we often lose out to watch the small things in life that makes us unique and special. We always have so much to do and often put the blame on time as a factor for the unaccomplished tasks. Prioritising our to do list is the need of the hour and managing it with "out of box" thinking will make things more concrete.

I would like to share the story of rocks, pebbles and sand. Once a jar was filled with rocks. They were big and filled till the brim, the teacher asked the students if there was any space left in the jar, the students replied "no" the teacher shook the jar and tried to put some pebbles, it made way through the gaps of the stones and got filled into the jar. The students were happy to see the jar full again. The teacher again asked if there was any space left in the jar to be filled with something, the students nodded their head saying "no". Now the teacher took some sand and tried to put into the jar, the sand slid down through the gaps and occupied its space. The students were amazed to see this.

The teacher then said that in every impossible situation there arises a small chance of possibility, this comes through out of box thinking and creative solutions.

As teachers we should encourage creative thinking in the classroom and make our students face situations in an optimistic manner.

With numerous activities our creative thinking will surely become an edge in our personality. Wishing you all the best for future endeavours.

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As each new generation emerges, the challenges they encounter become increasingly intricate. There are a myriad of stressors that significantly impact children's mental well-being, and this trend is worrisome. Many children feel hesitant to confide their emotions in their parents, and their peers, often not yet mature enough to grasp their experiences, may inadvertently mock them. Consequently, the primary source of support they seek is often their favorite teachers at school. Through subtle cues, they express their need for assistance from these trusted educators.

Teachers serve as more than just educators; they are often mentors, role models, and support figures for their students. With counseling skills, educators can fulfill their roles more effectively. These skills enable teachers to provide emotional support and guidance to students who may be facing various challenges in their lives. Whether it's academic struggles, social conflicts, or personal issues, teachers equipped with counseling skills can offer valuable assistance and help students navigate through difficult times.

Teachers who possess counseling skills can cultivate such an environment by fostering open communication, empathy, and trust within the classroom. By being attuned to the signs of distress or difficulty, teachers can intervene early and provide appropriate interventions. This proactive approach not only supports the individual student but also contributes to maintaining a positive classroom environment conducive to learning.

Teachers can enhance their counseling skills through various avenues. Firstly, they can participate in professional development workshops or seminars focused on counseling techniques and strategies. Additionally, they can seek mentorship or guidance from experienced counselors or educators who possess strong counseling skills. Engaging in reflective practices, such as journaling or peer discussions, can also help teachers refine their listening and empathy skills. Lastly, integrating counseling principles into their daily interactions with students and seeking feedback on their approach can further develop their counseling abilities.

Teachers, your words can be the beacon of hope in a student's storm. Take the time to listen, understand, and guide – for your words have the power to heal, inspire, and transform lives."



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

 Dr. Vithoba Sawant participated and presented a paper on 9th March in One Day National Level Seminar on NEP- 2020: Teacher attitude towards inclusive education organised by Tilak Educations Society's Sarada Kurup College of Education and Research, Ghansoli.



• On 30th March, Dr. Vithoba Sawant judged a lesson presentation Inter-collegiate competition at Aishabai College of Education titled, "Envisioning Education Through Creative Classroom Chronicles: Unveiling Innovative Lesson Plans in the Teacher's Showdown."



• All faculty members of PCER, Chembur have successfully completed a Professional Development Workshop on 'Integrating Digital Creativity Skills into the Curriculum'.







WOMEN ON WHEELS







As part of DLLE, PCER, Chembur S. Y. B. Ed. Students Ms. Damini Singh, Ms. Srushti Yeram, Ms. Krupa Chaulkar participated in the International Women's Day Special: Women On Wheels "She Can Ride" Season 6 Ride with Nirbhaya Squad organised by Mumbai Police, Ride for Women Empowerment. This ride was exclusively for women on International Women's Day and spreading awareness about Cervical & Breast Cancer on 10th March, 2024, Sunday followed by Biking Activities.







WOMEN ACHIEVERS AWARDS, 2024



In celebration of International Women's Day, MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur in association with Lion's Club of Mumbai Ghatkopar Galaxy organized the Women Achievers Awards, 2024. The Award ceremony was held online on Saturday 9th March. There were 6 categories of awards for outstanding women achievers in various fields. The awardees were:

- Entrepreneur Award Ms. Anagha Ashok Gandhi
- Leadership Award Dr. Mrs. Satinder Kaur Gujral
- Innovator Award Dr. Falguni Anish Shah
- Social Impact Award Ms. Niharika Mehul Shah
- Educator Award Dr. Arpeeta Bhatia
- Green Initiative Award Ms. Pratima Deshmukh











WOMEN'S DAY ONLINE NATIONAL LEVEL COMPETITIONS

On the occasion of International Women's Day, MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur, in collaboration with R. R. Educational Trust's B.Ed College, Mulund, organised a National Level Online Poster Making, Essay Writing, and Poetry Competition. The themes for the competitions were Women Empowerment and Women as Change Makers. These competitions aimed to empower and celebrate the achievements of women while also providing a platform for B.Ed students to showcase their creativity and talent. Students from various colleges participated enthusiastically, and winners for each category were declared.









- First Prize: Ms. Chelsi Peter Dias Pushpanjali College of Education, Vasai
- · Second Prize: Ms.Chhaya Yadav R. R. Educational Trust's B. Ed. College
- Third Prize: Ms. Maria Raichel Chettiar Nirmala Memorial Foundation College of Education

POETRY COMPETITION (English)

- * First Prize: Ms. Sara Merlin Sam - Tilak Education Societys Sarada Kurup College Of Education & Reasearch
- Second Prize: Ms.Mallika
 Mahajan Nirmala Memorial
 Foundation College of Education
- Third Prize: Ms. Sumitra
 VijayKumar Nishad GuruKrupa College of Education
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ESSAY COMPETITION (English)

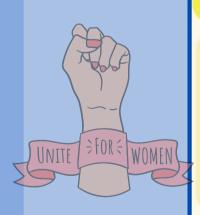
- First Prize: Ms. Naik Gauravi Ramdas - MIT School of Education and Research Loni Kalbhor Pune
- Second Prize: Ms.Komal Shete
 Ramanand Aarya DAV College
- Third Prize: Ms. Misbah
- Third Prize: Ms. Misbah
 Mohammed Yunus Shaikh RES's Rizvi College of Education

POETRY COMPETITION (Hindi)

- First Prize: Ms. Saba Khan -K.J. Somaiya College of Education
- * Second Prize: Ms.Krupali Manohar Pawar - Tilak Education Societys Sarada Kurup College Of Education & Reasearch
- Third Prize: Ms. Jaiswar Diviya Deepchand - R. R. Educational Trust's B. Ed. College

ESSAY COMPETITION (Hindi)

- First Prize: Ms.Mamata Mahesh Kokaje - Pillai College of Education and Research Chembur
- Second Prize: Ms.Vishwakarma
 Manjeet Smt Kapila Khandwala
 college of Education
- Third Prize: Ms. Halvai Nilam Rajendra - Shree Sarvodaya Sikshan Mandal, Gujarat





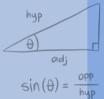
PI DAY GALLERY WALK



PCER Chembur marked International Pi Day with a Gallery Walk and an Online Quiz conducted by the Student Council on 16th March 2024. International Pi Day is celebrated world over on the 14th March to raise awareness of Mathematics. Towards this objective, a Quiz focusing on the concept of Pi was organised in the online mode. The Gallery Walk held in Room 401 at 11.00 am presented certain distinctive mathematical concepts. The event began with students highlighting the significance of International Pi Day and a demonstration session by Dr Rajendra Deshmukh that provided clarity on the concept of Pi. The First Year B. Ed students provided interesting presentations on various mathematical concepts such as Golden Ratio, Triangle Centres, Pythagoras Theorem, Archimedean Solids, Pascal's Triangle etc. The Gallery Walk and Quiz in alignment with SDG 4 Quality Education provided an opportunity to raise awareness of the significance and prevalence of mathematics in the world around us.









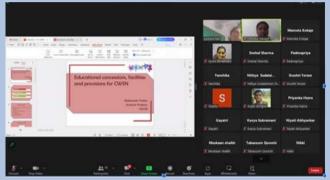


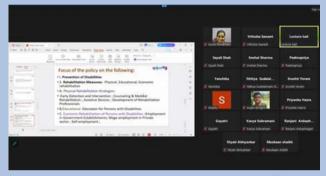


<u>MICRO CREDENTIALS –</u> INCLUSIVE CLASSROOM PRACTICES



PCER organised a series of lectures in collaboration with Hashu Advani College of Special Education for second year B. Ed students from 13th March – 18th March 2024. The online sessions were conducted as part of Micro Credentials in Inclusive Classroom Practices. The sessions conducted by experts from the field of Special Education included topics on children with special needs –concept, characteristics, types, National and International policies, and their implications. These sessions enabled the students to gain a deeper insight into the need for inclusive practices in today's classroom.





HOLI SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

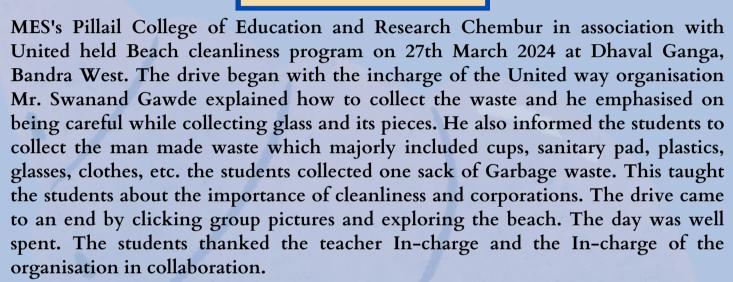


On March 23, PCER Chembur celebrated Holi with a special assembly. The stories, insights and cultural importance of Holi's was highlighted. A captivating Holi poem recitation enchanted the audience. FY students' dance and drama stole the show with their passion. Principal, Dr. Reni Francis delivered inspiring words. The celebration left a lasting impression, fostering unity and happiness.





















ALUMNI SESSION



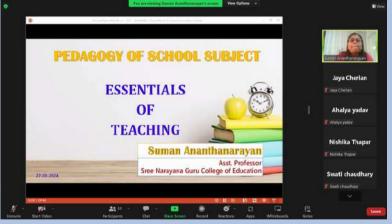
A session on Maxims of Teaching was conducted on 27th March 2024 at 4.30 pm by PCER Alumna Ms. Suman Ananthanarayan, Assistant Professor, Sree Narayana Guru College of Education. The online session was part of the Alumni Learning Q-EST series that are conducted to enable student teachers to gain valuable insights through interactions with the institution's alumni. Through the session Ms. Suman provided the student teachers with significant understanding of crucial maxims or rules of teaching that are necessary for effective teaching learning experiences.











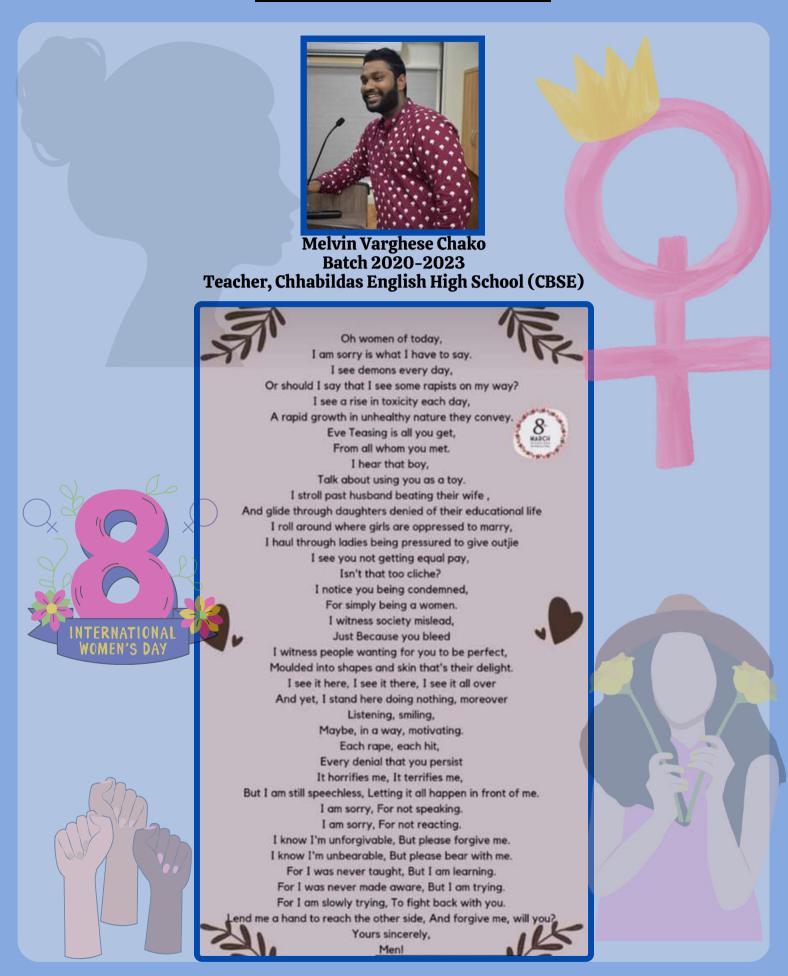








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STUDENTS CORNER





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