#### PROMATION OF VALUES EDUCATION

(Being a Peace Maker through values of Kindness, Sensitivity and Peace)

#### AREA- PROMOTION OF VALUE EDUCATION

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Value education helps in grooming overall personality of an individual, thereby polishing one's self esteem, self confidence, self respect and positive attitude to make this world a better place to live in. It also inculcates the basic value of helping to create a collaborative and joyful society at large.

As per **Maslow hierarchy** theory, an individual should ultimately reach to the level of self actualization to lead a peaceful and happy life.

Keeping this in time three tier planning has been done in the school.

- i. Integrating values with academics
- ii. Value based Project Anti bullying awareness campaign
- iii. Community outreach programmes- Food banking, Plogging & Students exchange programme with municipal school

A child can only flourish in a safe and secured environment through proper guidelines and inculcation of moral values through integrated education.

#### INTRODUCTION

Rather than random project selection, a scientific method was used to finalize the activities and projects to be undertaken. The teachers were given a questionnaire to highlight the values they think are deteriorating, and the values they feel should be focused on. Alongside, an activity of 'Catharsis' was conducted in the entire school wherein the students were asked to share their pain areas. Analysing the teachers' questionnaire and the students' catharsis activity, it was found that 'Bullying' was a prime concern due to the deteriorating values of Kindness, sensitivity and Peace. Therefore, the planning was based on focusing on these three values with the target to deal with the Bullying.

Taking this in consideration we have started our year long initiative to promote value education- "I am a Peace Maker".

The projects designed to enhance the values of Kindness, Sensitivity and Peace, the following projects were undertaken:

- 1. FOOD BANK: Students were encouraged to donate food, and each day around 150 to 300 underprivileged children are fed across Ahmedabad.
- 2. PLOGGING: An interesting activity of Fun Jogging + Picking up of Plastic Litters
- 3. Emotional Connect with Old aged and orphans: The students are taken to various old age homes and orphan houses, wherein they have a 'PERSONAL SHARING SESSION'.
- 4. Values in integration with content of Academics: The values were integrated with the content of the syllabus in the subjects, with special focus on Kindness, Sensitivity and Peace.
- 5. Series of Workshops with real life practice of Values

#### **CASE PRESENTATION**

#### a. Identification of the Problem-

Deteriorating values amongst students.

### b. Analysis of the problem-

Based on the questionnaire analysis and catharsis activity of students, primarily it was found that Bullying is the prime concern. A team of teachers and students were formed who researched on the reasons for increased bullying tendencies amongst students. The team found that to deal with the problem of bullying, 3 values need to be focused: Kindness, Sensitivity and Peace.

Pre Data based on Catharsis: 1265 students out of 2700 mentioned about bullying in some form or the other.

Pre Data based on Teacher's questionnaire: Out of 30 teachers, 21 teachers highlighted the problem emerged due to bullying in and outside classroom.

They found values deteoriation, Rigidity, Anger control, Lack of sharing and caring etc

### c. Objectives-

- ➤ To stimulate the three values of Kindness, Sensitivity and Peace amongst students.
- To give the experience of 'feel good' factor by practicing those values.
- > To utilize the human resource of students in contributing to the society at large.
- Enhance the positive feelings in and out.

### d. Planning done-

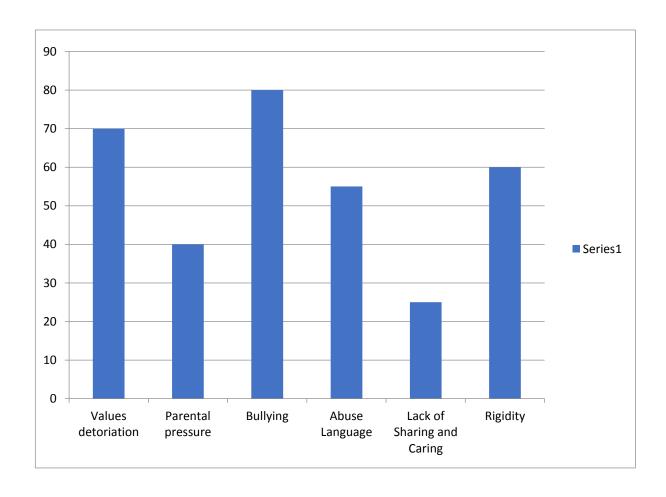
Planning done in 3 steps:

- i. Integrating values with academics
- ii. Value based Project Anti bullying awareness campaign
- iii. Community outreach programmes- Food banking (Donate food and serve), Plogging (Fun Jogging + Picking up Plastic Litters), Students exchange programme with municipal school (Students of DAV teaching

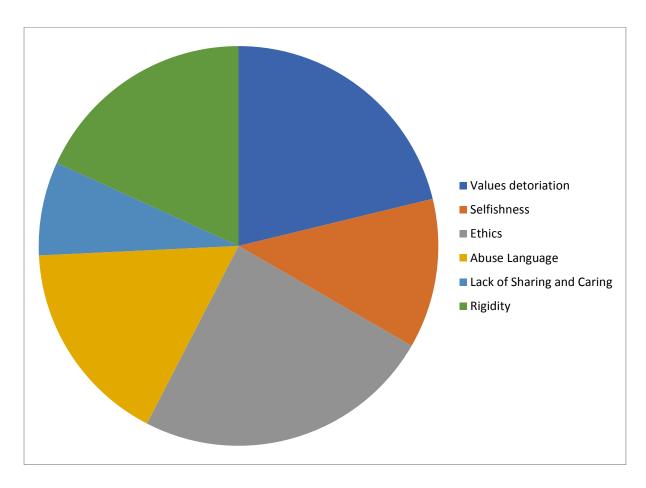
Maths and English, while the underprivileged municipal children sharing their commitment to study.

# e. Success criteria and possible alternatives decided

- Pre-Analysis has been conducted wherein the following was the result:



To conduct Post Catharsis Activity and Teacher's questionnaire to find the change in the data of bullying.



# f. Implementation-

For the implementation, an implementation and execution team was created. Parents were also involved in the implementation process. Step by step Implementation are as follows:

I. Food Bank Implementation: - An idea came to the mind of Dr. Nivedita Ganguli Principal of DAV International School, to take a noble initiative to meet the hunger of underprivileged children. She collaborated this idea with the Robinhood Army (NGO). The NGO happily agreed to the proposal. She discussed with the team of coordinators. They felt that it would create a chaos among children if it is done on the daily basis as it would hinder the routine academics of the students. Even the teachers said that they would find difficult in completion of syllabus. Later on, Section coordinator Anu L suggested that this mission could be possible by proper

planning. Where in a schedule of places for the distribution of food as per the quantity, class wise collection of food as per on the planned days were made.

Everyday a section is donating the food and the other team of students go along the with the teachers to distribute the food in the allotted areas. If the food is more than enough then the admin staffs goes to distribute the food to the relative's patient in the civil hospital.

# (Evidences presented in form of Photographs, feedback of students, parents and teachers)

**Plogging-** Hundreds of ruminants die everyday due to plastic litters which get choked in their food pipe. Moreover hazardous plastic create threat to the environment in the form of soil pollution. Just after the first PTA meeting a parent gave that nice idea of plogging to our principal ma'am Dr. Nivedita Ganguli but the implementation of that programme was very difficult as proper coordination was lacking. NGO Green Knights came forward with the idea of Plogging which is a combination of JOGGING and PICKING PLASTIC LITTER served as a good workout in combination with service for community. To make this a grand success and fun filled for the children the initiative was taken by the team of DAV for the inculcation of sensitivity and responsibility towards the environment. When one runs and picks up litter, it provides fun and also variation in body movements by adding bending, squatting and stretching, along with running. As a part of 'Swachhata Ek Seva Campaign' students in collaboration with parents, teachers, Green Knights (NGO) and AMC have done plogging twice a week in different areas of Ahmedababad. AMC was delighted as the small students were collecting 15kgs to 24 kgs per plogging activity. It would further sensitize the community and mass towards environmental hazards and seeking solutions for sustainability of the environment.

# g. Challenges faced in implementation-

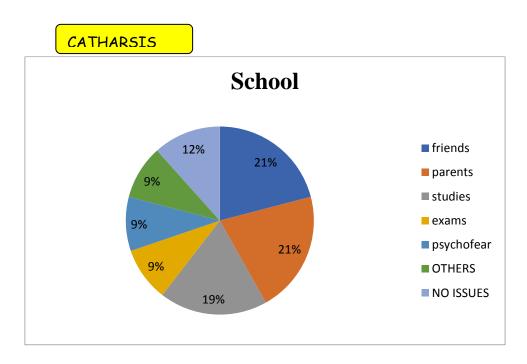
- ➤ When the project was initiated we received high quantity of food but later on the continuity of food collection was not upto the mark. So 2 minutes discussion was done by all the teachers in the class motivating the children to contribute in the food bank.
- ➤ Time management for the distribution of food was also a big challenge. As completion of syllabus could not be compromised.
- ➤ Coordination with AMC owing the weight and proper disposal of the plastic
- ➤ Involvement of students in the distribution process was a big task.

# h. Resources involved (both Human and Material)-

Parents, Teachers, Students, NGOs- Robin Hood Army for Food Bank and Green Knights for Plogging.

Material: Food, Bags, Transport

### **EVIDENCES**



The above chart describes the percentage analysis of various issues faced by children of D.A.V international school. It is the overall analysis of data collected from classes 1 to 12. It is observed that both parental and friendship related issues take up a majority in the issues faced

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# Value Based Question

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- 1. State two values displaced by the Japanese schools.
  - Open minded and self sufficient
- 2. Why did the science teacher tell the students that the suggested ideas in a way similar to what happens to displacement reaction?

In displacement reaction weak element displaced by strong element. Similarly, in society old wrong believes should be displaced by the new belief.

3. Give one example of displacement reactions

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,)	When studies gets combined with values we get to understand the concept ob studying with more clarity.
2)	For those who are unable to understand scientifically it becomes more easier for them to understand in simple manner.
3)	Other benifits is this that it helps the students to cultivate better habits and make the atmospher more positive.

# FOOD BANK







# PLOGGING ACTIVITY







# **BENEFICIARY SATISFACTION**

Such a noble initiative is an effort by the school to contribute towards the betterment of the society and putting children in self learning and realisation mode to imbibe moral values so as to make them a better human being. Little efforts made today will surely reap fruits in the years to come.

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# **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Food banking, Plogging, Value education, Anti bullying is an eye opener for many of us. Its an effort by the school to inculcate values, life skills and promoting awareness towards the environment and society.

# **GLOSSARY**

- 1. Plogging- Jogging and picking up the plastic litters
- 2. Collaborating. work jointly on an activity or project
- 3. imbibe: absorb or assimilate (ideas or knowledge)
- 4. Underprivileged: poor and needy.
- 5. Catharsis- Psychological term venting out the stress and depression problems

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## **APPENDICES**

# DAV International School Celebrated Cleanup Drive in Ahmedabad with support of the green night NGO





On 1 st October, 2018, remembering Father of our Nation, DAV International School initiated an activity named 'Plogging' is a combination of jogging and picking up the plastic litter. The programme was conducted in collaboration with NGO, Green Knights. Dr. Nivedita Ganguli, the Principal of the School who actively involved herself in picking up of litters said, "Through this activity, we wish to give the message to beat the Plastic Pollution, while taking care of our health. I

would be happy if our students can motivate each and every citizen to carry a bag wherever they go, and pick up as much plastic litter as they can and dispose them wisely. While we were into our march, there were several people who asked us what were we doing. I think

the questions of the bystanders are itself is a success for today." This will be not a day's activity, but a long term project, wherein the parents, teachers and Principal joined together with the students. The

students pledged that they would not only clean the surrounding, but also take care of the cleanliness of their home. The total plastic waste collected was 24.3 kg, which was then handed over to the AMC. A small change can make a big difference, is the motto believed by DAV Team. As per Riya Doshi, a student of Grade 5A, it was the perfect way to pick-up the litter and the trash on the road. The students were all excited about the activity and enjoyed to the fullest.

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