

G4S Shiksha School Yearly Report.

HOPE WorldWide's G4S Shiksha School's academic year (2015-2016) started in April with new student admissions, old, excited students returning to new classes, the fresh smell of new books and uniforms and a new school building with more space. Here is a summary of the exciting activities the students have been up to this year and testimonies of the students' lives and experience at G4S Shiksha School.

Student testimony - Sinkul



Living in Delhi, Sinkul is a ten year old boy who has been a student at HOPE's G4S Shiksha School for about three years. He is a very avid learner and enjoys all the subjects taught at the school, however he favors learning Math's as he finds it very fun. Not only does he enjoy learning at school, he also enjoys eating the food they give for lunch! When he grows up, he wants to be an army officer. He has always admired them and thinks their guns are very cool.

Both of his parents work; his mother is able to work from home by doing fleece work and his father is a tailor. At 9am his father leaves to start his day of work and does not return until after Sinkul is asleep. Sinkul's father works six days a week and on his day off he spends most of the day drinking alcohol so his mother and father end up fighting a lot. Sinkul really does not like it when his parents fight. Due to the problems his parents face and the frequent fighting, he has to look after his two younger siblings. G4S Shiksha School is therefore a refuge from the unrelenting responsibilities he takes on and his arguing parents.

Student testimony - Tina



Tina is a 13 year old girl studying in 6th standard. She enrolled in G4S Shiksha School this year. Her ever smiling face and beaming eyes create positivity around her class mates and teachers. When asked how she finds the HOPE G4S Shiksha School she answered with excitement that she likes this school very much, especially because of the friendly teachers and their amazing teaching methods. She also enjoys and appreciates the midday meal provided by HOPE.

Tina's family consists of her and her three brothers and parents. Her mother, *Mrs. Jaitunisha*, is a housewife and father, *Mr. Anwar Ansari*, works as a tailor. Tina has many favourite pass-times; badminton and *Kho-Kho* are her favourite sport and game and she really loves to eat *Paneer*. Her favourite subject at school is Science and her favourite teacher is *Ms. Jyoti Panna*. Tina has high ambitions despite the less advantaged start to life she has had and the hard work it will take achieve it her dream, but she desires to become a doctor and help other poor people. She wants to invent medicine that will enable people to get healthy again quickly so they don't have to be taking medication for long periods of time. This dream comes from a personal conviction and experience in her life, where her father had a paralytic attack a year ago and since then has been on medication.

Student testimony - Ravi



Living in Delhi, Ravi is a nine year old boy who has been a student at the HOPE - G4S Shiksha School for six years. Ravi loves to read and is interested in science. When he is older he aims to become a doctor as he has been inspired by his own doctor. He wants to save people's lives, just like his doctor saved his. When we asked Ravi about what he will do with the money he'll earn as a doctor, he said he didn't know because he hadn't thought of that. His pure heart and desire to be a doctor roots from the

sole desire of wanting to help people and not the prestige lifestyle that will come with the profession.

Ravi has three sisters and enjoys being the only boy because he gets a lot of attention, he is very adventurous and likes to explore places he has never been. This adventurous spirit has meant that he would love to live in Bangalore or America someday. Only Ravi's father provides an income for the family as his mother is a housewife. His father is self-employed, which Ravi likes because it allows his father to choose the days he stays home. Ravi and his father have a good relationship as they always play together or go on a special outing. As a consequence of his mother not receiving a lot of education, Ravi and his sisters go to a tutor for supplement help with their learning and education at home. Ravi loves being at the G4S Shiksha School and is learning a lot.

April 2015



Volunteers from Bank of America 08 April 2015

On April 8th some employee's from the Bank of America gave up their time to spend with the youngest pre-nursery class at our G4S Shiksha.

Volunteers from EMC 29th April 2015

EMC employees on the 29th April also spent time with the students distributing snacks and gifts, which the children loved.

With AES in Asola Wildlife Sanctuary 18 April 2015

Then on the 18th of April the American Embassy School (AES) organised a great trip, which they always do, to go to the Asola Wildlife Sanctuary. AES took 60 students along with some stuff to enjoy a lovely walk in nature which the kids don't often get to experience living in a crowded slum.





The National School of Drama

24 April 2015

The month continued with a fun outing to The National School of Drama on the 24th April. The 60 students that went were very excited and they got to watch a live vibrant show, "Kisse Sujh - Bujh ke" which for most of them was a first experience seeing a performance.

Accenture`s Visit 25 April 2015

A team of 60 employees of from Accenture on the 25th of April sacrificed their Saturday to bring smiles on the faces of our students. They made it meaningful by teaching the senior students how to prepare and have the skills for interviews and getting a job. Team Accenture sponsored a special meal that day for the students and the employees at lunch with the students

May and June 2015

- The month of May and June brings joy on the faces of the students and teachers as it is summer vacation time. Our students and children from the neighbourhood come in good numbers to attend the HOPE School`s - Summer Camp (20 May - 13 June 2015.) The purpose of HOPE G4S Shiksha summer camp, which is hosted every summer, is to make the students vacation meaningful.
- This year, there was 75 participants from the school and then 15 from the surrounding community of the school. The students were divided into three groups according to their age and class that they are in.

- Morning would always start with a prayer, lots of laughing and therapy exercises for the children. Following on from this, they would have scheduled times to learn dance, new games, songs, yoga, painting walls, improve their English, craft and everybody's favourite: movie time.
- These children are gifted with talents and during this camp they were encouraged and guided to know what they actually enjoy doing and to work on their talents. They have the time and freedom to be their own unique, individual characters during the entire camp, whilst under the supervisions and support of the teachers.
- Towards the end of the camp the children got to showcase all that they had done and learnt. This was a time where the children were really proud and reflected on all they had achieved
- Overall the summer was amazing, when the kids were asked if they had enjoyed the camp, the answer was a certain yes and it was unanimous that dancing was their favourite activity. They also expressed they will be looking forward for the Summer Camp again next year.
- Moreover, in these two months AES teachers and students visited our new premises and helped the school to paint the walls and doors along with our students. One can be sure that students will remember this gesture of hard work and affection and care at no cost, and it is done purely for the sake of it.



July 2015

AIESEC's volunteers July – Aug 2015

In addition to volunteers from AIESEC, a renounced organization sent a group of five volunteers to help at the school. These volunteers were all from different countries; Ms. Noryn and Mr. Monkey were from China, Ms. Noreen form Egypt and Abdelrehman from Kashmir. They all used various methods to teach students their respective subjects. While doing this they bonded well with students who gave them warm farewell.



August 2015

Unit Test 3rd – 7th August 2015

The first week in August started with a lot of silence in the classrooms and tension as the children had their first unit tests.



The independence Day Celebration 13 August 2015

The 15th of August was the 68th Independence Day celebrations and the school was excited to celebrate; the flag was hoisted by our Project Director. Each class contributed to make the day better with their patriotic songs and dance performances.



Paul George School in G4S School 20 AUGUST 2015

On the 20th of August we had a special day with Paul George School, Alaknanda, who invited HOPE to celebrate its founder's day. Eight of our students went to deliver a dance performance to Paul George School and six of their junior students came to spend time with our 2nd graders and taught them

Lamp (Diya) painting, origami and other crafts. Also we were very grateful that the parents of the students at Paul George donated shoes and nice clothes for the students.

September 2015

Teacher's Day in G4S School 04 SEPTEMBER 2015

The 5th September is a day when teachers in India are honoured to remember the birth of Mr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. At the school we celebrated on the 4th and it was a delight to see the senior students dressed up, the girls in their sarees and boys in casual wear. Some students followed their favourite teacher's timetable for the day. At the end of the day it was fun for teachers but students were less excited and more exhausted. But they grew in respect for their teachers for their energy and patience that they have every day.



Volunteers from Bank of America

04 SEPTEMBER 2015

The Bank of America came to the school to celebrate with the KG class. They taught and inspired children to make images from clay and the day involved eating delicious cake and distributing chocolate.

As well as celebrating teacher's day with us the Bank of America make it a point to celebrate their sponsored student's birthday every month, which they do without fail. One may imagine the joy of the child whose birthday they celebrate because a number of them are not in a situation to afford cake or a celebration.



AES Arts and Craft and Story telling SEPTEMBER 2015

AES yet again visited HOPE G4S School on the 5th of September and got involved with the children in various activities, like teaching computer skills, crafts, clay-moulding and storytelling. A team of senior students even painted the door of the library. The AES took ownership in upgrading and maintaining the library in HOPE.

IInd Unit Test and PTM

21st – 28th SEPTEMBER 2015

21st-28th of September the students had their Second unit test and then finished that week off with Parents- teachers meeting on the 30th.



October 2015



Institute of Genomics Integrative Biology (IGIP)

The beginning of the month of October was fantastic for those 52 senior students and 3 teachers who went to visit IGIP (**Institute of Genomics Integrative Biology**). The institute provided the transportation, lunch and unforgettable experience. Students were amazed to see the complex subjects of science presented in a simple way so that the students were able to understand and ask lots of questions. They had the opportunity to meet both upcoming scientists and well-known scientists alike.

In Lodhi Gardens with AES 10 OCTOBER 2016

In October the students had two opportunities to have fun and do activities with the American Embassy School. Firstly, 79 students and 11 staff along with a group of AES students went to Lodhi Garden. Students learned new games, kite making and some science related work. Then later on in the month our students celebrated Halloween with the American Embassy School. They learnt the expression "Trick or treat" and were treated with sweets. The AES students taught the children how to make face masks animals and cartoon characters and baskets from paper.



Visit by U.K. and Thai volunteers OCTOBER 2015



G4S Shiksha School got two visits by a group of people from both the UK (lead by Mr Francis Spencer) and Thailand. Both groups got time to interact with the students; teach them about British and Thai culture, songs, they played games with them, took lots of pictures and the students got to ask many questions and learn. These volunteers, when they left gave the students stationary and gifts.

November 2015

'Path 2 Health' visit 04 NOVEMBER 2015

On the 8th of November a group of nine from 'Path 2 Health', Thailand had a really good time with our students, visiting theirs homes and giving the students stationary as gifts. The school was also thankful for the money they donated.



Volunteers from the Philadelphia, USA 10

NOVEMBER 2015

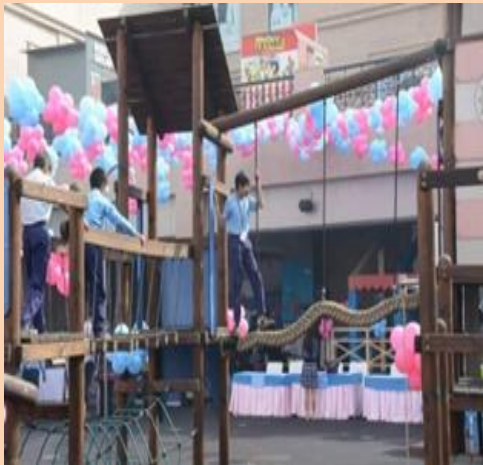
Shortly after on the 10th, volunteers from Philadelphia, USA, came to visit G4S Shiksha School. They taught rhymes, read stories and played games with students. While leaving they left some books for school and gifted small toys to Nursery class.



Saket City Hospital

13 NOVEMBER 2015

HOPE was invited by Mr B. K. Modi or Bhupendra Kumar Modi is the global Chairman of Spice Global, an Indian conglomerate headquartered in Singapore. Council and chairman of Asia Crime Prevention Foundation's India chapter, a leading business man, to Saket City Hospital for the children to have a thorough health check-up and be given money medicines free of charge.



Children`s Day with Wordswork

14 NOVEMBER 2015

On the 14th of November Ms. Tanvi Sareen from Wordswork invited 25 students and 2 teachers to celebrate children's day at DLF Mall. Students enjoyed the tasty meal at McDonalds and a Hindi movie 'Prem Ratan Dhan Paayo'. The Children were amazed to see the splendid mall.



Half yearly exams 16th-24th NOVEMBER 2015

The students had their half yearly exams between 16th-24th November.

Volunteers from Seattle, USA

26 NOVEMBER 2015

Volunteers from Seattle visited our school and the houses of students. Due to time constraint their visits was brief but still they made it point to meet students and talk to them.



December 2015

Carrefour Global Sourcing 04 DECEMBER 2015

Carrefour Global Sourcing on the 4th of December sent Mr. Florian and his team to distribute warm blankets and snacks for 100 students. This was a timely aide as Delhi becomes very cold in Decemeber.



AES sets up Cyber Classroom 05 DECEMBER 2015

An AES team of five lead by Mrs Jyothi Rao and Mr. Phil, with three AES students visited HOPE School to set up five webcams on our desktops and an Airtell Challenge Hotspot. This was initiated by AES to promote the Cyber-Classroom to chat and teach our students on a weekly bases via Skype.





AIESEC'S Volunteers DEC 2015 – JAN 2016

AIESEC sent its second batch of students to volunteer at HOPE. Mr. Deigo, Ms. Ana, Ms. Lara taught the students from second class till sixth class, Laptop and communication skills. Mr Rozario and Ms. Bruno volunteered at HOPE's Vocational Training Centre helping students with Spoken English.

Christmas celebration with AES

12 DECEMBER 2015

American Embassy School brought some festive cheer to the students when they celebrated Christmas on the 12th of December. (Due to their busy schedule we celebrated Christmas early). Mr and Mrs Santa gave warm woollen fancy caps and we had a melodious choir to fill the atmosphere with joyful Christmas Carols. Despite it being a bit early for Christmas it was a great time spreading happiness, joy and love. AES often teach us that through their service to the school.



January 2016



Ms Sarah Volunteering

Since December 2015

The start of the new year began with welcoming a new volunteer, Sarah from the UK who will be here for three months helping at the school and saying goodbye to three hardworking volunteers, Mr Diego, Miss Lara and Miss Ana, who came from the AEISEC charity. We gave them a farewell to say thank you and they expressed their love and gratitude to the kids by giving them sweets.



SMART VISHWAS Health Camp 01 JANUARY 2016

The 8th of January Saket City Hospital brought their health camp to the school. Under the banner of Smart Vishwas, Saket hospital runs this program to provide health care for underprivileged children. They checked the children's health and provided them with free medicine.





Zoo trip with the AES 30 JANUARY 2016

Zoo trip with the American Embassy School was a great part of January. They took 150 students from HOPE school and each group got 3 to 4 AES students or staff member to go around the zoo with. Our children were provided with a notebook and pencil to write what they saw. A day of fun and learning.

AES provided accommodation, lunch and their warm companionship.



HOPE encourages these activities and works hard to bring volunteers and aide for our students to provide them a window to the outside world. Our valued Volunteers, donors and friends from India and abroad not only bring gifts but also opportunities for our students to experience something which they could not experience in their present condition. These events and activities expose our students to global cultural traditions and languages. Knowing people from different countries and having interactions with them boosts their confidence and allows them to set a goal for themselves and see beyond their difficult conditions and helps encourage them to believe that a better life is not out of their reach.

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