



Newsletter September 2021

Teacher's Day

On this Teacher's Day, we visited the Project office of the Integrated Tribal Development Programme (ITDP) to discuss the Centre For Excellence (CFC) project in Sakhare Ashram Shala and to get consent setting up Science centres in Ashram Shalas to help underprivileged children. Discussion on the children in Bhopoli Ashram Shala regarding CFE and problems they face in studying were resolved. Teachers were appreciated for all the hard work that they did to help these unprivileged kids. Their dedication and hard work ensured 100% result for the Class Xth batch of 2020.





Lady Willington Girl's High Secondary School

Lady Willington Girl's Higher Secondary School is a government aided school helping the girl children educate and make better careers in life. Though the school waives off 100% tuition fees, dropouts have been increasing due to poor infrastructure. Filaantro stepped in to improve the hygiene aspects and overall infrastructure of the school, thereby encouraging more students to attend the school. We are thankful for the teachers who are supporting these girls and helping them in their careers.



Ganesh Chaturthi

This year, the month of September signifies one of the most auspicious festivals for Hindus - Ganesh Chaturthi. The 10 day celebrations started from September 10 this year. It is marked with much pomp and fervour in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Gujarat, Odisha, Goa, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, and Uttar Pradesh. To celebrate Ganesh Chaturthi, Also known as Vinayaka Chaturthi, devotees bring home statues of Lord Ganesh, celebrate with creative decorations, wishes, sweets and visits to family and friend's place. Due to Covid 19, many devotees broadcasted their celebrations online and enjoyed with friends and family, and in the end, immerse the idols.

Safety Measures

This year Ganesha invited you with a message “Go Green Ganesha” to care for your surroundings. The “Visarjan” ritual of “Vinayaka”, also celebrated as an excellent ceremony where idols are immersed in water bodies. However, it has a bad impact on the lives of aquatic animals. Idols, made of chemical materials, causes significant water pollution. Plastics and thermocol are used to decorate the ‘Pandals’ which increases the non-biodegradable waste. The toxic waste from this material harms aquatic plants and animals. Celebrating eco-friendly Ganesh Utsav is a great idea to protect the environment and other living beings. Also, keeping the pandemic in mind, let us take us a pledge to have fun during the upcoming festive season, maintaining social distancing and taking all the safety precautions.



International Day of Peace

Around the world, on 21 September we observe the International Day of Peace. In 2021, as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we are inspired to think ingeniously and collectively about how we can help everyone recover better, how to build strength and resilience, and how to transform our world into one that is more equal, more fair, comprehensive, sustainable, healthier and peaceful.





Sia Samantha is free from Fanconi Anemia

Miss. Sia Samanta is a 9 years old girl diagnosed with Fanconi Anemia (Type of blood disorder). The doctors suggested a Stem Cell Transplantation. The donor is her brother but the transplantation costs a hefty amount. The cost seemed unaffordable as her father had not been working for 3 months to look after her. They reached to CHF which turned to Filaantro for raising funds. The funds were raised and the operation was successful.

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Om is now out of danger after getting help from Filaantro

Om, a 7-year-old boy was diagnosed with Congenital Dyserythropoietic Anemia. Doctors suggested that he needs to go for Bone Marrow Transplant. Om's father is the only earning person in the family of six members and covering the transplant's finance was impossible for him. His father reached to Filaantro and raised a campaign on it. The amount was raised and the transplant was a success. He is now in the pink of health.

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Campaign of Rashmi Rathod

Rashmi Rathod is a 32 year-old female suffering from Cerebral Ataxia since 2015. Cerebral Ataxia has so far claimed the lives of **17 members** of Rashmi's family including her father and eldest sister. Rashmi's monthly maintenance costs are Rs 15,000/- per month which is currency handled by her mother who works as cleaner in S L Raheja Hospital but is retiring in three months and feels helpless. Help her!



Campaign on helping the needy

To make the elders living in these old age homes and children living in the orphanages feel the warmth of the season of festivals Child Help Foundation, an NGO along with Filaantro, a crowdfunding platform has started distributing some warm food with sweets to taste the flavor of the season, blankets, and earmuffs to keep the cold away as, toiletries to feel fresh and ready to celebrate, and some board games so they don't feel alone and bored.

We hope that with your help, we could light up some more smiles on the faces of the needy as firecrackers light up the sky during this auspicious season of festivals.



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