A salute to the Covid warriors and a prayer for everyone's good health and well being!

We look forward to hearing from you...

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2020 has turned out to be an unprecedented year. We have been engulfed by an infectious disease that has brought life to a stand-still. We are all grappling to maintain some semblance of normalcy from behind the closed doors of our homes. Most of our 75+ children come from unstable mobile homes. They don’t have the security of a family or a home to go back to. 6 of our hostel-mothers are quarantining with our children this entire time without going back to their own families.

THEY ARE OUR SUPER-HEROES!

How do you keep 60+ children engaged for close to 4 months creatively? Our Hostel mothers came up with the most creative competitions that would challenge our children and not only develop their creativity but also their organisational skills!
PATHSHALA HOSTEL
HOUSES & MOTHERS

Team: BHADAR

Team: MAHI

Team: UTAVLI

Team: AURANGA
**INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS**

**GROUP DANCE**  
April 3

**WALL MAGAZINE**  
April 2

**COOKING COMPETITION**  
April 6

**SINGING COMPETITION**  
April 4

**DRAMA**  
April 19

**PAANCH KAURI**  
April 22

**TREASURE HUNT**  
April 25
INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS

- **JUGAAD BEST OUT OF WASTE**
  - May 3

- **EXTEMPORE**
  - May 13

- **STORY TELLING**
  - May 15

- **KABADDI**
  - May 18

- **DRAWING**
  - May 25

- **FOOTBALL**
  - May 26

- **MOVIE ILLUSTRATION**
  - May 30
INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS

MANDALA
June 6

GROUP DANCE
June 15

EXTEMPORE
June 24

WALL PAINTING
June 20

STORY TELLING
June 21

ARRANGE CLOTHES AND SEGREGATE BY CATEGORY
June 8
Salute to the Covid Warriors

Sejal & Pawan painted the security room exterior

Soap distribution by children

Salute to the Covid Warriors
WHAT DID THE CHILDREN LEARN

The Garden Committee carried out beautification projects - grass cutting, weeding, watering, maintaining the premises, taking care of the kitchen garden, caring for existing plants and planting new ones.

The Kitchen Committee helps prepping in the kitchen, cooking during the Ramzan month when our kitchen help ladies were given leave, helping with rotis, grocery washing and storage, serving food, kitchen cleaning including monitoring vessel washing & dining room cleanliness.

The house keeping committee takes care and monitors the internal working of the hostel - cleanliness, laundry, scheduling, supplies distribution like soap, shampoo, detergent.

Overall the children are learning like skills that will help them in every aspect in the future!
Our model of education continues to have skill development as an inherent part of the children’s everyday lives. It could be looking after the electricity, carpentry, plumbing needs of the hostel premises by learning the scientific concepts through experiment at our skill development center. We believe in learning by doing.
Pathbhavan has been following the VMC guidelines and have closed on-prem classes due to the lockdown. We are taking care of academics of Pathbhavan children in their own premise (Sanjay Nagar Slum) in small group during Covid unlock period (from class VI to X).

Std X students are enrolled in Bhavani Coaching Center for extra assistance specially in Maths and Science. With our mentors and Bhavani Classes, Std. X students have started online preparation for SSC exam 2020-21.

EXAM RESULTS

The results of the exams held before the lockdown are out. Here are some highlights:

Priyanka Sonkar scored 74% (A grade in all the subjects and B grade in science) in class VII from govt. school and promoted to class IX. She will continue her studies in Sri Krishna Vidyalaya for the next 2 years.

Arvind Gupta received 71% marks in SSC - 2020. He belongs to a vegetable vendor’s family of Uttar Pradesh. He stays with his uncle in Sanjay Nagar Slum. He is passionate about studies and started teaching Pathbhavan’s students during this lock down period.

Rohit Shah received 47% marks in SSC- 2020 secondary Exam. Rohit is a sincere student. He wants to pursue studies in commerce.

We congratulate all our children and their mentors! Most of these children come to us without the ability to read or write even if they are enrolled in school. It’s a great achievement to get them on a path illuminated by the power of a good education.
Churni supports the mothers of our children. Following the VMC guidelines, the store was closed till May 31. After the lockdown was lifted and stores were allowed to open for a few hours, the Churni store opened primarily to sell masks to support the need of the hour and also keep the Churni ladies motivated and employed. We are very grateful for the corporate orders we received from Pune Thermax, Mr. Tushar Sanyal, from Rajkot, Dr. Nitin Lal, from Baroda Collabera, Jyoti Ltd, Voith and many others. Your orders have helped the ladies earn a monthly income in these difficult times. Here are a few Churni products the ladies are busy making these days. We take bulk/corporate orders. Reach out to us for any inquiries you might have.
In this section we will feature two heartwarming stories from our children's community to highlight the positive effects of an education that focuses on all round development.

Ajay, Hasan, Pran and VK of Pathshala Hostel took the responsibility to remove accumulated rain water from the garden. They refused to call a professional and took the initiative to fix the issue. They fixed 2 pumps and pipes and drained water to our in house pond. In spite of many of us having done graduate level science courses, we don’t have any idea to fix motor pumps and drain water. Pran, a class 9 student, is getting trained in maintaining Sewage Treatment Plant. Heart-warming best wishes to our do-ers!

Arvind Gupta of Pathbhavan received not only 71% marks in SSC -2020 but he is also tutoring his friends who need extra help in Maths and Science. His personal initiative to work towards the success of his friends selflessly is truly admirable. We wish him the very best for the brightest future!
An organization always does better when like-minded people put their minds together to achieving bigger dreams and goals. Beyond our immediate volunteers, teachers and mentors, we have an accomplished set of diverse citizens of Vadodara who are our sounding board for ideas and execution details. They extend their help wherever & whenever possible. The diversity of viewpoints they bring to the table, truly challenge us to be better and make more informed decisions. The members of our management committee include:

- Dr. Juin Dutta
- Mousumi Datta
- Rina Pal
- Sumita Bhaumik
- Dipali Chowdhuri
- Dr. Uma Kapadia
- Jaydeep Verma (Advocate)
- Raksha Sisodia
- Bharat Desai
- Padmaja Dutt
- Pooja Makhija
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