

# SAI SEVA SANGH

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## “SAI REFLECTIONS”

### QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER (Feb-Apr2014)

Dear Friends,

A loving Sai Ram to all of you. We are more than happy to present you the final newsletter for the academic year 2013-14. With all your love and the Grace of the Almighty we were able to successfully deliver our services that have been allotted to us by God.

As you are aware, Sai Seva Sangh is a charitable organization, successfully running a free school namely Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Mandir (300 students) for the underprivileged children, an orphanage for girls(40) and an old age home for elderly and destitute women (18) and a school for differently abled children (80) namely Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Special School.

Before we take you through our quarterly newsletter here are some highlights of the year 2013-14.

- 18 students have been supported since 2012-13 by Sai Seva Sangh for their higher studies the details are as follows:  
6 of them are studying at D.A.V.Public School, 5 students at Sri Chaithanya Jr.College,  
3 of them opted for diploma in Optometric Nursing at L.V.Prasad's Eye Institute,  
2 Students are pursuing Polytechnic and 2 students are pursuing Telugu pandit course.
- 25 students of have been provided continued support since 2011-12 by Sai Seva Sangh for their higher studies the details are as follows:  
2 Students – Hotel Management  
10 Students – Nursing at SSSIHMS,Whitefield & GNM  
2 Students – Intermediate Chartered Accountancy  
2 Students – B.Com at Whitefield  
3 Students – Diploma in Classical Dance & Music  
2 Students – Vocational Training  
1 Student – Basara IIIT  
2 students -B.Pharmacy, 1 Student- B.Sc Agriculture
- Class rooms (UKG to 10th) have been equipped with custom made wooden furniture comprising of benches and desks.
- Computer lab has been upgraded with Video Projector & professional display system.
- Vidya Vahini Program implementation was continued in the school.
- Construction of permanent structure for the orphanage and old age home has been completed in 2200 sq.fts.
- Orders for the products made by the students of the Special School at their Vocational centre have been increased. All the inmates of the special school are being provided with a regular monthly stipend and those inmates who are active participants of the vocational centre are being provided a higher monthly stipend as an encouragement for their efforts.

## SRI SATHYA SAI VIDYA MANDIR

*(A Free Educational Institute for the Underprivileged and Orphan Children)*

### Value Festival at Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vihar on 27<sup>th</sup> December

Sai Anandotsav -Value Festival-2013 for girls was conducted at Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vihar -Hyderabad by Sri Sathya Sai Trust -A.P and Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organizations from 27th December 2013 to 29th December 2013. 12 Students from our school class 6 to 9 along with the two teachers attended the value festival.

One of our Student sharing her experiences at Sai Anandotsav...



It was attended by 111 girls from 8 Sai Schools. It was a great celebration of a unique festival -"Festival of Values".

The children bonded very well and experienced the best time of their lives. Playing, dancing, singing together and learning the Values of life without being taught. !!

### Math and Literary Workshops at Prashanthi Nilayam in January

The literary workshop and Mathematics workshop organized by Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini from 17<sup>th</sup> January to 23<sup>rd</sup> January was attended by two teachers held at Sri Sathya Sai Prashanti Nilayam.

The aim of the workshops was to guide and train the teachers to organize a literary and Mathematics club consisting students of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.



## Smt.RadhaBabu's visit to School on 25<sup>th</sup> January

Mrs.RadhaBabu, from Nashville, USA visited our School.

She has spent thirty two years of her adult life in America dedicated to service and spreading Love & Kindness which she feels is the main religion.

She has served on the board of trustees of Sri Ganesha Temple, Nashville, two terms and established and taught the Sunday school there for first eight years.



Mrs.Radha Babu designs jewelry and uses the profits to educate under privileged girls and to support the education of nursing students in Sai Seva Sangh.

Students and teachers were motivated by her speech delivered on the occasion of her visit along with Dr.Babu a renowned cardiologist.

## Samarpan at Sivam on 26<sup>th</sup> January

School children attended the Samarpan event which was organized by the Alumni of Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Anantapur women campus.





Smt. Aruna Pradeep, Secretary of Sai Seva Sangh introduced the Hon'ble speaker Smt. Radha Babu to the audience on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

## Dance Ballet on Siva Sai Stuthi on 8<sup>th</sup> February





Students of our school and members of orphanage presented a dance ballet on Siva Sai Stuthi at Sai Kulwanth hall, Prashanthi Nilayam, Puttaparthi during Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini coordinators meet on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Along with the children performing in dance ballet, 10<sup>th</sup> standard students came to Parthi to take Swami's blessings.

Students from 5 Schools participated in the cultural festival which was a feast for the eyes and souls of the audience.



All the teachers of the school joined hands together to prepare chocolates for distributing the prasadam to devotees at Sai Kulwanth hall, Prashanthi Nilayam on the day of Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini Co-ordinators meet.

## Vedam Chanting on Radio Mirchi, Hyderabad.



Children were invited by Radio Mirchi (FM) to chant Vedam at their radio station.

The 11 anuvakas rendition was broadcasted on MIRCHI on the auspicious occasion of Maha Shivaratri.

## Siva Rathri

Siva Rathri festival was celebrated in school with great fervor.

Students sang devotional songs and bhajans in praise of lord Shiva. Lead by teachers, children performed abhisekam.

After the harathi, prasadam was distributed among all the children.



## Deloitte and Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini IT Volunteers at School

SSSVV Onsite Volunteering kick started on 22nd-February at SSS Viday Mandir school, Moosapet. 20 volunteers from Deloitte reached the school at 9 A M

Inaugural lamp was lit by Shri. Kunnath & Poonam from Deloitte.

Sri. Sahadev, Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini coordinator welcomed the gathering, appreciated their participation and shared the concept of Onsite Volunteering Opportunities with clarity, humor and Vidya Vahini ethos and action plan.



Later all the 20 of them went around the school and hostel. They interacted with old ladies and played the following games with the children.

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| 1. Musical chair | 2. Burst others balloon | 3. Drawing             |
| 4. Dancing       | 5. Career Counseling    | 6. Fun activities      |
| 7. Team bldg     | 8. Value run race       | 9. Dog & the bone.etc, |

## Farewell for 10<sup>th</sup> class Students on 6<sup>th</sup> March

9<sup>th</sup> standard students organized farewell party for the outgoing 10<sup>th</sup> class students. The event was very well organized and appreciated by all. When the outgoing students were given a chance to share their experiences at school, we were happy to hear that all the students felt that they would miss the warmth love and affection of teachers.





One of the outgoing students Hari Nayak while talking about his experiences said that initially he felt very irritated when he was asked to say his prayers 3 times a day (early in the morning as the part of School assembly, before having lunch and later in the evening). But now he got used to it so much that he feels it is unthinkable for him to spend a day without saying prayers.

## Awareness Program by Homeopathi Doctors



Children were taught how to play Holi in a safe way.

Painting competition was held and the prizes were given to the winners and runners.

- 22 students appeared for SSC-board Examinations commencing from 27<sup>th</sup> March. Results are awaited.
- School was closed for summer vacation from 16<sup>th</sup> April and will re-open on 1<sup>st</sup> June.
- Annual Examination Results for classes U.K.G to 9<sup>th</sup> will be declared on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Parents meeting will be held on the same day.

## Sri Sathya Sai DeenaJanodharanaPathakam(*Orphanage and old age home*)

### Children on Excursion



Hostel children were taken to Inorbit shopping mall during Pongal Holidays. They had lots of fun playing games, watching a movie.

### Sai Vratam on 2<sup>nd</sup> March



The inmates of the old age home took initiative to perform Sai Vratam for the well being of the society. All the inmates including children recited Sai Gayathri for 108 times.

### Bhagawan Sri Sathtya Sai Special School (*School for Mentally Retarded children*)

- Republic Day Celebration held in the school, chief guests were Mr. Y.Sudhindra, Divisional Superintendent of Police, Huzurabad and Sri Chanda Vishwanatham
- Sri Etela Rajender , MLA, Huzurabad visited the school on 31, Jan, 14
- 15 fresh Niramaya Health Cards Applied for the beneficiaries (Mentally Retarded)
- Cultural programme by special children held on 10th feb.14 in krishna mandir.
- Increased the vocational order from local photo studios and nearby schools.
- Sri Chalam, President of Sri Sathya Sai Seva Orgns, Andhra Pradesh visited the School on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 14 and appreciated the work done by School Management.



## From the Members of the Sai Seva Sangh

There may be many ups and downs and hardships laid out in the divine plan set out by Swami, but at the end of it everything works out for the better and results in great satisfaction for each of us. That is the soul motivation with which we have been able to take on the risks involved in delivering responsibilities assigned by God.

Both the old age home and orphanage were in temporary sheds. Roof was covered with asbestos sheets. It was highly impossible for the children and elderly women to stay inside these sheds during summer.

On Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2013 we started the construction of permanent residential structure for the orphanage and old age home and a very big shed with seating capacity of 500 people. Orphanage residential area comprises of 5 dormitories with attached washrooms and the old age home comprises a spacious living area cum dining hall with attached bathrooms. As of now only the Kitchen, dining hall, medical room and TV room are in temporary sheds.

The construction activity is expected to finish by the end of May and the inaugural function has been scheduled for 8<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Request you to block your calendar early on to make yourself available for the function. Personal letters will be sent out to one and all shortly.

-----Om Jai Sri Sai Ram-----

For more details regarding the school and the affiliate organizations, interested members can log on to: [www.saisevasangh.org](http://www.saisevasangh.org)

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