From the Founder: Srí Saínathuní Sarath Babují

(W e can help our children learn by igniting their love of learning through creating curiosity and a spirit of enquiry in them, an appetite for learning, a hunger for knowledge. If we can kindle this, it is enough: whether we teach them something or not, the child will learn, anybody will learn. This is the key, the formula.

Into this formula everything fits that has been researched and said about teaching: inducing and infusing curiosity. If curiosity is there, observation will naturally come. You can't simply ask children to observe nature. They will observe and think, Okay, we are observing, so what?" Because that also is simply following an instruction. Observation like this doesn't serve the purpose. First, curiosity should be there. Then observation makes sense and serves the purpose".

"What I am saying is, we should infuse the child with a spirit of enquiry. Even when we want him to learn a particular thing, we should begin by asking a



question that creates curiosity in the child's mind – like the state of mind of a scientist before he makes a discovery. Especially in the natural sciences and mathematics, where many discoveries have been made, this would be easy to implement. First, motivate the child with questions that make him puzzled about something – his mind should always be puzzled. Then start giving answers to the questions which you yourself have created. By posing questions, that make the child wonder, "what would be the answer?", interest in the answer is created. Then, when you give the answer, it is like giving food to a hungry person, not simply dumping information he won't take because it's not needed!"











The lives of the students are becoming more and more mechanical now. It is the drudgery of studies, studies and yet more studies every day. Saibaba Central School is determined to liberate its students from this stultifying existence.

The founder of the school, Sri Sainathuni Sarath Babuji, held the development of the character of the child and the all-round development of the individual to be the paramount task of the school. Hence adventure activities are being run at the school for the past few years under the guidance of world-class instructors to fill the children with new enthusiasm and to empower them by inculcating leadership qualities in them. This year a three day adventure programme was run by the school in Nellore area in Rock Climbing, Para Sailing and River Rafting from 13 to 15 December 2013. A total of 126 children from class VI to X participated in the programme.

Rock Climbing

Mr. Malli Mastan Babu, summited Mt. Everest and climbed the seven tallest peaks in the seven continents in the shortest time and has the Guinness record for the feat. He along with his team of talented trainers taught Rock climbing activity, which involves climbing difficult stretches of hills in near vertical pitches. The climber learns good body-mind coordination and nimbleness in action and thought. He also learns patience and the value of team effort. Students were taught basic climbing skills and those who had some aptitude were given advanced skills in rock climbing. It instilled self-reliance, self-confidence and team spirit among









the students. It developed their character to face the challenges and to overcome the difficulties they may face during their life.

Parasailing

Mr. Magan Bissa, who is the president of the Rajasthan Adventure foundation and has vast experience in Parasailing, and his wife Ms. Sushma Bissa conducted Parasailing activity for the children. This activity involved the students wearing the parachute in a harness and being towed by a vehicle. For some students this was the first time ever that they had done Para Sailing. However, all the students did it with no fear and thoroughly enjoyed the exhilarating feeling of flying in the air like birds.

River Rafting

Mr. Nirmal Pandey, who has led the expedition 'Ganga Super Swimmathon' which was a 2150 km swim from Hardwar to Calcutta, conducted the Rafting activity, which involves crossing water bodies using rubber rafts. This tested the physical strength and mental stamina of the students. This activity teaches the value of team effort and balance to individuals. And it took away a lot of the fear of water by familiarising them with the river. Actions on the river need to be strong and decisive, which help them assert themselves and feel in control. After rafting, the students felt a new confidence filling them and felt confident to take on any challenge that may come in their way.

The students and the parents of Saibaba Central School were very happy to get an opportunity of being



trained in these activities by world-class trainers. Camps such as these are very useful to build the character of the students. We could see a sea change in the students as the training progressed. Shedding their timidity, they developed a cheerful optimism and confidence as the training progressed. Students lost the fear of heights. Students were exposed to world-class outdoor people such as Malli and his team. This worked wonders with them. Students lived for the first time in their lives apart





from parents. Cell phones were prohibited and no interaction was permitted with their parents. They had no electricity or bathroom amenities. They adapted to all these deprivations wonderfully and cheerfully. Students thereby gained self-reliance. Students were made to do all activity in teams comprising of all age groups. They were also made to live in tents. This developed close cooperation and bonding within them. Gradually they developed an attitude of "Can do." Their self-confidence skyrocketed.

The school philosophy as enunciated by the founder, Sri Sainathuni Sarath Babuji, is the all-round development of the child. Mere book learning will not suffice to make them capable citizens of the world. Adventure activities such as these extract the hidden qualities of leadership and tenacity in the children and fill them with confidence to face any eventuality in life.

Experiments in Science and Exploring Thoughts



Saibaba Central School conducted a one day seminar on the theme "Experiments in science and Exploring thoughts," on 30th January in Multimedia Theatre by Mr. S.G. Srinivas, who is a technocrat, scientist, a businessman, a guide and who was the brain behind shaping the destiny of the thousands of the students.







The lecture started Mr. Srinivas asking some brainteasers relating to basic science and he ended the programme by giving resources for further experiments in hither to unknown frontiers of science and technology.

"The children now-a-days are well versed with Technology. The reliability of Science has reached such a level that it makes one wonder whether it is just beginning of technological age. For example, if we take a snap shot of earth's atmosphere from a satellite from space, it gives you the exact locations of thousands of flights on earth and this enables us to navigate these planes from satellite communication. It is man who has facilitated such a leap in science and technology. The progress in science and technology was so overwhelming that one has to recognize the fact that it may take thousands of years to have the same progress as we do today. The country produces only a few scientists and the number would go up certainly if we provide the right environment for research and analysis at all levels." said Mr. S.G. Srinivas.

He gave examples from the lives of eminent scientists such as Faraday, Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Alva Edison, Newton, Abdul Kalam and C V Raman as to how keen observation coupled with scientific enquiry made them Noble Laureates and how they live on in the world through their inventions even after death. He took the example of Einstein to state how simple the basic laws of physics are and how they are intertwined with spirituality.

The lecture thrilled the students and instilled the spirit of enquiry among the young minds. He also gave details of websites to visit and to know about the latest experiments that are under way under him as well as the experiments that are shared with the public across the country. The day ended with the children posing many questions about science to him. 'We, the students should learn to observe, rather than merely see" said Mr. Srinivas.

National Maths Day Celebrations

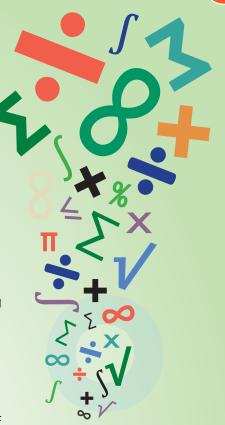
On 22nd December 2013, Saibaba Central School celebrated Mathematics day in a grand manner in the remembrance of Mathematics genius Srinivasa Ramanujan. The occasion of his birthday is selected by the Government as a day to strengthen scientific temper among the students. The celebrations started with the garlanding of Ramanujan's photo by the principal, Colonel C V Ramanayya. This was followed by an excellent speech by Ninth class students Sravani and Supriya. They shared some important information about Ramanujan and his greatness.

The Principal, spoke at length, describing Ramanujan's personality and stature both in national as well as in international arena. He motivated the children by saying that they should keep their brains sharp by solving problems that life throws at them. He said that one shouldn't quit in the face of the problems but has to find ways to solve them. He emphasized the need to carry forward the legacy of great mathematicians such as Srinivasa Ramanujan, Aryabhata and Brahmagupta so as to encourage and nurture the glorious tradition of the country in mathematics.

Various competitions, which were related to mathematics, were conducted for every class. Children showed great enthusiasm to participate in the various competitions. The Maths Day celebration ended with the fun competitions related to Maths.















"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then you are a leader." – John Quincy Adams.

The investiture ceremony of the school appointments for the academic year 2014-15 was held at the school on 27 December 2013 in the presence of Colonel M T Swamy as chief guest, who was associated with the school as the commander NCC in Ongole and was instrumental in getting the school a troop of NCC.

The senior boys and girls assembled in the playground by 8.20 A.M. The SPL, Anish Rohan commanded the parade with the school band behind him. The Hon. Correspondent and the Principal escorted Colonel MT Swamy to the playground. He administered the oath of office to the new set of student appointments. Speaking to the office bearers, he exhorted them to keep the flag of the school flying high by sincere adherence to their duties. He passed on the mantle of responsibilities to the new SPL Madhumitha, wishing her and the other house appointments, success and victory in all their endeavors.

Later, the school marched past the guest saluting the chief guest and special invitees. The portfolios have come into effect from 28th of December 2013.

The New Office bearers for the academic year 2014-15 are

SPL: B. Madhumitha
Vice SPL: M. Prathik
CCA (Secretary): Ch. Sravani
Ethics Club (Secretary): V. Sai Sameera
Einstein House Captain: P. Manognyna
Einstein House Vice Captain: S. Keerthi Sai
Einstein House Sports Captain: Y. Gowtham
Captain Mahatma House: K. Sai Druthi Varna
Mahatma Vice Captain: S. Vaghdevi
Mahatma House Sports Captain: M. Amrutha Valli
Buddha House Captain: Sanketh Panda









Buddha House Vice Captain: B. Ishitha Buddha House Sports Captain: K. Himaja Krishnadevaraya House Captain : S. Venkata Supriya Krishnadevaraya House Vice Captain: P. Vishnu Vardhan Reddy Krishnadevaraya House Sports Captain: S. Vineel Reddy



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INTER HOUSE SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP 2013-14



he Inter house Sports competitions were successfully held between 27th Nov 2013 and 1st Dec 2013. The students from L.K.G to Class X participated with lot of enthusiasm and energy in the championships. The events gave them an opportunity to test their physical strength and levels of endurance when exposed to neck-to-neck races in the field of sports and games.



The following were the events conducted under different categories.

	L.K.G (Boys & Girls)	Running race, Musical chairs and Sack Race		
	I &II (Boys & Girls)	Running Race, Basketball dribbling and Sack Race	V	
	III (Boys & Girls)	50m. Running race, Basketball shooting, Skipping Race		
	IV to X (Boys and girls)	100m, 4×100m relay, Long jump and Shot put		
	Inter House Competitions	Football, Kabaddi, Throw ball, Handball, Kho-Kho		







The competitions were held over four days. It was a welcome and pleasant relief for the children who are normally put to rigorous academic schedule and the students made use of the moment whole heartedly cheering one another and shouting slogans encouraging the participants from their respective houses.

Winners were awarded with medals for I, II and III places in all the events. Teachers took turns in awarding the medals and congratulating the winners. The Hon. Correspondent gave mementos as a token of thanks to the physical education masters who came from other educational institutions and had acted as referees in the various events. The Correspondent thankfully acknowledged the services of our P.E.Ts I.P. Raju, V. Indira, S. Subba Lakshmi and P. Prabhakar and all the staff who made the whole event a grand success.

The events came to a close with Einstein House being declared the champion with Mahatma House placed second and Krishnadevaraya and Buddha houses occupying third and fourth places respectively.







PARENT TEACHER MEETING

The fourth parent teacher meet of the academic year 2013-14 took place from 2 to 5.30 pm on 12 December 2013 at the school. Large number of parents attended to compare notes with the teachers about the performance of their children. These meetings serve as a valuable feed back to the school as to how effective the teaching is and how well the school is doing its job of educating the child. Points given by the parents are carefully noted and brought to the attention of the principal and the correspondent by the teachers. Action is taken on the points immediately to ensure that there is no gap between what we promise and what we do at the school.



Annual Day Celebrations







The School celebrated the annual day 2013-14 on 10 January 2014 with grandeur and fanfare. Sri C.V. Ramulu, former Justice of High Court, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh was the Chief Guest for this function. There were several eminent people including A. Radha Krishna, District Judge, Prakasam District in the gathering besides parents and the public. Parents attended the ceremony in large number enthusiastically cheering their children.

Respected Ammagaru lighted the lamp and the function started with a prayer. The Principal, Col. C.V Ramanayya, welcomed one and all, and presented the Principal's Report for the academic year 2013-14. He spoke at length about the activities and achievements of the school during the year. He listed the achievements of the students in the academic year and indicated the initiatives, which will be taken for the coming academic year.

The Chief Guest lauded the efforts being made by the school in achieving academic excellence besides shaping the wholesome and multi faceted personality of children. He recalled his association with the founder of the school, Sri Sainathuni Sarath Babuji, our Guruji, and said that he was certain the Guruji is still alive and present in the school. The children start their day with morning physical exercises and yoga. In the assembly, students of different houses are given ample opportunity to exhibit and showcase their skills in public speaking, role-play, singing etc. While academic pursuits are attended to in the classroom, the cocurricular and extra curricular activities are also given



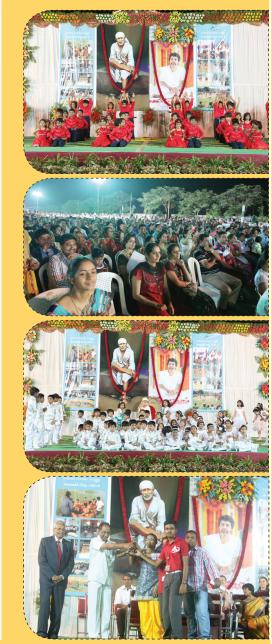
judicious importance, to enable the students to get exposed to various situations that may confront them once they complete schooling.

The District Judge, Sri A Radha Krishna was a special invitee for the function. Speaking on the occasion, he said that he was very impressed

with the infrastructure of the school. He exhorted the students to work hard and keep focused on their development to evolve into valuable individuals.

Prizes were given to students who had stood high in merit and to those who logged 100% attendance. Prizes for Inter Houses Competition in sports and games, quizzes, and other co-curricular activities were also distributed. The chief guest congratulated the toppers in grammar test and also awarded the merit certificates and shields for academic and overall championship to the students who had emerged winners in their respective slots. Scholarship was provided to the deserving children.

Cultural programmes followed this. The chorus singing was simply awesome while the dance sequence "Punya Bhoomi na desam" made us feel a fresh course of love and warmth in our blood, while the dance sequence "Pepsi cola", set in lighter mode, brought out the darker side of using soft drinks. The guests and parents appreciated the performance of the children wholeheartedly. The function came to an end with vote of thanks by Honorary Correspondent Major Suresh Babu.





SEMINAR ON PSA for the Parents

A seminar was held for the parents of class X about the newly introduced Problem Solving Assessment, an innovative approach by the CBSE to check how the students apply the theoretical knowledge in real life. Students write this examination in their ninth class and get an opportunity for betterment in class X. This takes the place of Formative assessment in class X. To make the parents aware of the new approach and assessment of C.B.S.E., the principal Col C V Ramanayya conducted a seminar for the parents of class X students. Parents gained a clear idea of P.S.A by the end of the meeting; The Principal clarified many doubts and answered the questions posed by the parents.



INTERSCHOOL SPORTS "VIGNANOTSAV"



The School offers ample opportunities to our students to enhance their latent talent through various co-curricular activities held at different levels through which they will be able to explore themselves and channelize their career in the right direction. As a part of it, On 26 January 2014, our boys and girls were sent to participate in the interschool competition held by Vignan School, Ongole. Our students showed their mettle in sports sweeping most of the firsts in different categories in which many schools of Prakasam district participated.

In Group events:

Our girls stood first in Kho Kho and Throw ball.

Our boys stood first in Football and third in Kabaddi and Volleyball. In individual events:

- B.Sai Gopi stood first in Shot put and Y Gowtham stood third.
- M. Amrutha Valli stood first in Discus throw.
- B. Madhumitha stood first and M. V. Sowjanya stood second in 100m for senior girls.
- Y Gowtham stood second in 100m for senior boys.

G. Lakshmi Narasimaha Reddy stood second in Junior boys in 100m. The Correspondent and Principal Colonel C.V. Ramanayya congratulated the students.



..... Farewell to Class X Students

O n 26 January 2014 the school and students of IX class in Saibaba Central School bid a grand farewell to X class 2013-14. The Director, B. Srinivasulu Reddy garu, Hon. Correspondent Major Suresh Babu, the Principal Colonel C.V. Ramanayya and all the teachers attended this function.

The program started with a prayer. Speaking on the occasion, the Hon. Correspondent urged the outgoing students to consider the school as their home. He asked them to further cultivate the qualities of character such as honesty, integrity and will power they had imbibed at school, as these qualities will stand them in good stead throughout their lives. He wished them all the best. The Principal said what the children learnt in the school will help them in their future career. All the teachers showered their blessing on the students, wishing them a bright future.

As a token of remembrance, the students of IX class distributed gifts to the X class students. The occasion was filled with both happiness and sadness. The programme ended with a lunch hosted by the school to all the students and staff.



THE FIRST EVER MEETING OF "SAISCOOLIANS"

The former students of Saibaba Central School got together for their first ever meeting on 14 January 2014 at Babuji Hall. The Academic Director Ms. Sainathuni Sruti, the Hon. Correspondent, Major Suresh Babu, the Principal, Colonel C.V. Ramanayya, Director, Dr. B. Srinivasulu Reddy and the teachers of class X attended this occasion. The Correspondent set the ball rolling elucidating the importance of the meeting. He said keeping in touch with their friends and classmates would be helpful to them in their future.

Photographs were taken batch wise including the class X students of this academic year. The former students registered their names besides their pass out year, occupation etc. in saiscoolians.com. The students remembered and shared their memories of school days by visiting their classrooms.

Many of them have settled in good professions and in various departments in government, public and private sector organisations. Some of them are pursuing courses like MBBS, Engineering, Bachelor Degrees, etc. The office bearers of Alumni association and executive members were elected from among themselves, to make the association more vibrant, democratic and dynamic and accountable. The members elected for different offices are as follows; R. Vamsi Krishna was elected as the president, D. Vineetha was elected Secretary and D. Charan was elected the Treasurer of the "Saiscoolian association". Coordinators were also elected for all the batches.

The meeting facilitated the students to come together, feel the warmth and love with one another, giving them a golden opportunity to recall, recollect, re-live and cherish their past memories relating to the school. As they left they registered their gratitude to the school for having shaped them to be better citizens of the country with honour and high morals. They expressed their gratitude to the management and the staff, who had arranged this event. The meeting ended with a hearty meal and fun.











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The following were the coordinators for the various batches and the main appointments

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Secretary	D.Vineetha,	Cell : 8019908105
Treasurer	D.Charan,	Cell: 9700022143

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2009	P.Rishi Mitra	Cell: 9949009778
2010	D.Prudhvi Raj	Cell: 9030810143
	D.Vineetha	Cell: 8790412400
2011	T.Rajeswari	Cell: 9160357505
	A.Vinod Sai	Cell: 9059514901
2012	Sd.Sharuk	Cell: 7799339660
	A.Divya	Cell: 8019404995
2013	B.Gahaninadh	Cell: 9494427833
	K.Divya	Cell: 9032287687
2014	K.Snehith Reddy	Cell: 9866767699
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