

HONEY BUNCH SCHOOL

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Honey Bunch has always been committed to create an environment which helps the young minds to blossom and provide a platform for individual thinking and holistic development of the child's personality. We set standards and goals for ourselves and strive to achieve them –be it in the area of academics, extra-curricular, training, assessments, or sports.

On this memorable occasion as we recount on our success with pride and happiness, I wish to dedicate all the achievements to the committed effort of team called Honey Bunch School, dedicated and proactive teachers, students and the non teaching faculty under the leadership of a great visionary, our Correspondent.

Excellence in academics is the hallmark of any educational institution and we meticulously follow the CBSE pattern of syllabus and assessments. Skill development in all subjects is a main focus and activities are planned accordingly. Practical lab classes are given from class 6 to 10 once a week for all science subjects and mathematics including the HEYMATH programme which supports online help in solving problems. Speaking and listening activities are given for the languages and project work in social studies. The SCHOOL CINEMA is a collaborative programme for imparting value education for the students using audio visual facilities.

Apart from academics we have a large number of functions and celebrations marked with total student involvement.

CELEBRATIONS

- The school had its orientation programme for teachers and parents on 1st and 2nd of April separately for the primary and the high school to start the academic year and to let the stake holders know the year plan.
- School election was held on April 12 to form the Student Governing Council.
- International Yoga Day was celebrated on June 20 2019.
- The Investiture ceremony was conducted for the newly inaugurated Student Governing Council on the 24th of June 2019.
- The Music Assembly and the inauguration of the new indoor auditorium was held on 4th of July. Every month on the first WEDNESDAY the music assembly is conducted and the whole school participates in it.
- The Grandparents carnival was celebrated on July 6, 2019 where all our grandparents returned back to their childhood days playing a variety of games both indoors and outdoors backed by the encouragement of their grandchildren. A day to remember for all of us through our lives.
- The science fair and the activity expo for classes 1 to 9 was held on 2nd August. Parents were invited to visit the same. Another science fair would be conducted exclusively for the KG classes in the month of January.
- The Independence Day was celebrated on August 15 and Dr.Varadarajan presided over the function and witnessed a grand cultural programme presented by our students to show their patriotism.
- The Gokulashtami celebration was held on 22 August and our students presented songs and dances class wise.

- The Sports day was held on August 31 .Shri R.Ravikumar Revenue Divisional officer, declared the sports meet open Dr.K.Jayakumar MBBS,DLO and Shri. S.P.Mahalingam, Secretary Pollachi Football Association distributed the prizes.
- Onam celebrations were held on September 9. Pookolam competitions were held classwise and the prizes were distributed.
- The Life Insurance Corporation of India selected our school for this year to present the awards for the meritorious students from class 1 to 10.
- 150th birth anniversary celebrations of Mahathma Gandhiji was held for 15 days and prize distribution was held on October 1,2019.
- Navarathri celebrations was held on October 1,2019 and students of standard 9 and 10 performed the pooja.
- Vijayadhasami day was a day of receiving the blessings of Goddess Saraswathi and admission for PRE-KG took place.
- Expert visit is a special feature of our school and e had the priviledge of being trained by Mrs..Vijayalakshmi Srivatsan, Head of the Preparation committee of the Tamilnadu textbooks.

EXTRA CURRICULAR AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

At Honey Bunch we believe that extracurricular activities greatly enrich the school experience of our students. To list the special activities provided in the school we have

- Training of scouts and guides is given so that students are trained to write the exams for the Rajya Puraskar award and the Rashtrapathi awards after a few years.
- Road Safety Patrol which gives awareness on the road safety rules.
- Junior Red Cross which basically teaches them the rules of first aid and safety during emergency situations.
- The Junior NSS which is basically a national service scheme.

EXTRA CURRICULAR

- Under the extracurricular activities we have Dramatics which ia a collaborative with HELEN O GRADY programme which trains the students in dramatics and theatre skills.
- Classical music is offered to the whole school once a week to inculcate the traditional methods of music and thereby also bring in good thoughts and discipline in the students.
- Classical dance is offered for both boys and girls again to instil in them the traditional forms of fine arts.
- Bongos are a form of music which involves the hand, ear and rhythm coordination.
- Karate is again offered to both boys and girls and this is a form of martial arts used for self defence.
- Yoga, a form of meditation is the need of the hour for the students to overcome the stress and temptations that arise during their day to day activities.

WORK EDUCATION

- The signature identity of CBSE Board is the work education activity which is also called socially useful productive work which helps the students do their daily chores which will continue for their lifetime.
- The school provides gardening as an activity which inculcates good crop growing process by using organic manure. Our students grow vegetables in the school garden and once grown they cook it by themselves in the school campus.
- Knitting is a skill in making woollen products which can even be a small scale business that can provide tremendous scope in the marketing industry.
- Meal planning and cookery instils a sense of nutritious cooking and eating and prepares them for the art of healthy cooking.

- Electrical gadgets and repairs is again a life skill training which will instill in the students an interest towards engineering.

SCHOOL BAND

This is a special training given to students that will take them even to the extent of entering into the Republic day Parade held in Delhi.

SEWA ACTIVITIES

- This is a new initiative of CBSE where students have to do community outreach activities.
- This year our students went to PREETHAM, a home for the elderly people and conducted games for the inmates
- The students also involved themselves in the SWACH BHARATH SCHEME and offered to do the environmental cleaning activities.

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

The CBSE believes in getting its teachers trained as in service training programme and workshops, to enhance their teaching skills. The Management of Honey Bunch School is always willing to send its teachers for CBSE trainings and also arranges for training inside the school bringing in eminent resource people, subject wise and also for study skills.

- The Correspondent of the school had attended a 5 day workshop in Bangalore based on Demystifying sexuality conducted by ENFOLD organisation.
- The Principal attended a 1 day workshop on 12th April 2019, for the induction of school principals conducted by the Centre of Excellence, Chennai, based on the Awakened Citizen programme conducted by Ramakrishna Mission, New Delhi, which has 40 modules to be done for classes 6 and 7 as value education programme and a two day workshop on the strengthening of assessment and evaluation process on the 9th and 10th of August 2019.
- Mrs. Sheeba Suresh and Mrs. Deepika attended a workshop conducted by the Centre of Excellence, Chennai, for primary teachers which was held on 11th and 12th of April 2019.
- Mathematics teachers of our school attended a two day workshop in the school premises on 22nd and 23rd of April which was conducted by Mrs. Suchithra, Chennai
- Mathematics teachers of our school attended a one day workshop in the school premises on 24th of April which was conducted by Mrs. Gayathri on the updation of the Heymath Programme.
- Evaluation tests in an online mode is conducted by the Wordsworth English Language Lab and the needed training for teacher improvement is given regularly.
- Mr. Karthish Kumar, Computer teacher attended an one day workshop on Artificial Intelligence conducted by the Centre of Excellence, Chennai on 14th June 2019 and this will be taught to the students of class 8.
- Principal attended an Orientation on HUBS of learning conducted by National Model School, CBSE.
- Two of our teachers Mr. Karthick and Mrs. Rajeswari attended a two days workshop on the 5th and 6th of August based on the Awakened Citizen programme conducted by Ramakrishna Mission, New Delhi which has 40 modules to be done for classes 6 and 7 as value education programme which both of them would be handling for the entire course of the programme.
- Principal attended a prospective resource person training on Strengthening of evaluation and assessment in 9th and 10th August, at PSG School, CBSE.
- Two of our teachers Mrs. Karthikeyani and Mrs. Malathi attended one day training program on Upholding Integrity and Ethics on 20th August 2019 at Yuvabharathi Public School.
- Eight of our teachers attended a teacher enhancement program for classes 9 and 10 at PSG Public School in the month of August and September.

- .Mr.Karthik attended the Confluence of School leaders held at Coimbatore conducted by Kovai Sahodaya Schools, Complex.

STUDENT WORKSHOPS

Students need to be constantly guided in their learning process and so, subject experts visit our school at regular intervals to enhance the subject knowledge and train the students to face the challenges of the examination.

- The Teachers collective from Bangalore conducted a training for students of classes 6 to 10 on July 12,13 and also for teachers on the enhancing of the study skills. The students were taught note making, note taking, highlighting which tremendously helped them to increase their scores .The higher classes were taught time management and stress free learning. The teachers were guided to handle situations in the classroom with a lot number of mindfulness activities.
- Reading programme for primary classes 1to5 was initiated and teachers were trained to conduct the reading programme which uses International standards implementing DAILY FIVE AND CAFE developed through use in US classrooms. It is a yearlong programme with goals that will be in place, age appropriately will be accuracy, fluency of reading, comprehension and vocabulary development. An intensive training in workshop mode will be conducted to prepare teachers to implement this programme in their classrooms.
- Mrs.Vijayalakshmi Srivatsan, an expert in classroom pedagogy conducted a one day training for teachers and students for the higher classes to mainly focus on the teaching programmes for the Board exam batches and how to face the examination.

SMC MEETING

SUGESSTIONS GIVEN BY THE SMC MEMBERS

- The SMC members appreciated the school for the achievements in various areas of academics ,
- co curricular and sports and gave further suggestions to improve this coming year.
- There is no need to welcome the members of the school while giving the welcome address.
- Send an SMS to all the members of the School Managing Committee as well as an SMS to intimate the dates of the meeting.
- For grades 6 to 8 examination without invigilation can be given to develop the habit of doing only their work and not to look into what the others are doing, gain self confidence.
- Students have to be kept stress free in the school. The school can enlighten the students on how to learn, when to play, when to give time for recreation, and they must have good sleep and a good diet. A diet chart can be given to the parents.
- There is no need to visit the homes of students since it will be an interference into the family.
- The members insisted on giving more of speaking skills to the students so as to make them confident in their communication skills.
- The science fair can be in the month of April so that the best projects can be selected for the bigger awards like the Raman award.
- The parents of each class can be called separately for the orientation programme so that the school can enlighten on the CBSE proceedings and the year plan of the school. The primary classes must be trained in such a way that the students have to be strong in the fundamentals.
- Motivational speakers can be called to orient the parents on the study skills and the Career guidance courses.
- During the vacations ,the students may be given short term courses on maintaining bicycles, two wheelers, cleaning the car, one day visit to the hospital or a shop so that they know how to serve people and to handle money.

- Parents need to supervise the students and teach them to be independent.
- The SMC members appreciated the efforts taken by the students to prepare the school magazine.
- A suggestion to start the school parliament and the school band was given
- Social service activities can be done in the Government schools by teaching them singing, dancing, drawing and by bringing them to the school for smart board classes.
- The members appreciated the plans for the extra special coaching in sports and this would help the students to accept defeat and failure and to gain self confidence..

EXAMINATIONS

Olympiad Examinations

In the present times when the world is totally pivoted on science and it is pertinent to think and plan about the future – a future in which the children of the present shall be the leaders of tomorrow. Regular qualitative and quantitative assessment needs to be done to build up the scientific and IT talent pool.

Olympiad Examinations help to identify a child's capability and real potential that may help him/her survive better in today's modern competitive world. They motivate students to endeavour for better and deeper understanding of scientific facts so as to enhance their reasoning, analytical and problem solving skills.

Olympiads enable the students to go through a complete scan of what and how much they learned. The tests are scientifically designed to test concepts underlying the curriculum in an interesting manner.

Exam Schedule 2019-'20:

- 🇮🇳 Unified Cyber Olympiad : 17th Sep 19
- 🇮🇳 Unified International English Olympiad : 8th Nov 19
- 🇮🇳 National Science Talent Search Examination : 4th Dec 19
- 🇮🇳 Unified International Math Olympiad: 28th Jan 20

These Tests

- Have interesting questions that require thinking, not simply a recall.
- Provide detailed skill wise feedback, highlighting strengths and weaknesses
- Provide a bench mark of the students performance and his or her peers.

Olympiads aim at improvement rather than comparison or grading. It also reduces the stress of exams by checking "Understanding and Reasoning" rather than just "Knowing".

SPORTS AND GAMES

Sports and games are a great way for students to develop skills, achieve goals and stay physically fit. We have allotted periods everyday for games activities, mass drill, exercises and yoga classes. Special coaching will be given for football, basketball, volleyball, kabaddi, kho-kho, table tennis, ball badminton, carrom and chess. Annual sports meet was held and various matches were conducted house wise.

Coming to a major part of curriculum, the area of sports, the school has seen good achievements.

- Navaneshwara and Pargunan of grade 9 won a place in archery and silambam conducted by Arjuna Archery Academy, Mugappair, Chennai.
- Inba and Aathira of Grade 6 were placed in Marathon conducted by Government of India.
- Kabaddi for the Under 14 and Under 17 girls was held in GEEDEE Public School, Coimbatore and Under 17 girls stood Runners-Up
- Football tournament for the under 14 and under 17 boys was held at Chandrakanthi Public school, Coimbatore on July 18 and 19 2019 and under 14 boys were the winners.
- The South India Karate Tournament was held in Palladam and four of our students were placed first.

- Inter State level Karate tournament was held at Bangalore on 11th August 2019 and 9 of our children were placed first in various categories.
- Our students entered into the CBSE CLUSTER VI ATHLETIC MEET and VISHWADHEERAN of Grade 8 was placed third in shotput out of 836 schools which is a golden feather in the cap of Honey Bunch School. Many of our students placed in the top 25.
- Our students entered into the CBSE CLUSTER VI FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT and put up a very tough game to the opponent teams.
- The students of our school participated in the national level karate competitions held at Sri Krishna Institutions, Coimbatore and bagged numerous prizes.
- Six of our students participated in the Kovai Sahodaya Badminton tournament held at Yuvabharathi School, Coimbatore.

COMPETITIONS, FIELD TRIPS, NEW IMPLEMENTATIONS & FUTURE PLANS

“The ultimate victory in competition is derived from the inner satisfaction of knowing that you have done your best”

Honey Bunch moulds the children to take up competitions with a sportive attitude there by gaining or loosing is not important wherein active participation matters a lot.

- Sree Radha Sathish Kumar and Aravind Kumaar of grade 10 participated in Creative writing competition held at Chandrakanthi Public School, Coimbatore on Jul 7th 2019 and won prizes.
- Hands-on-skill is another activity that indulges the student brain and hand coordination, to make children master in it, our school believes in giving such activities as competitions and making children understand the importance of saving, we conducted art from waste competition and distributed prizes.
- To enhance student’s creativity and Innovation, Pookolam competition is held every year on the occasion of Onam.
- Honey Bunch strives hard to implement all the CBSE related activities and competitions thereby Sep 1 to 15 of this year was observed as Swach Bharat Abhiyan Fort Night. Students participated in lot many activities like Essay Writing, Street Play and Poster Making etc. Igniting the creativity among the students and the best ones were awarded with prizes.
- We, The Honey Bunch has always adhered to all the rules and regulations and implementations of CBSE, thereby Sep 16 to Oct 2 was celebrated as 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhiji by conducting various competitions like Speeches, Debates, Skit, Painting, Dance and Quiz. Students were enlightened with Gandhian Principles.
- Getting to know what is happening in and around the country and world, Honey Bunch has made Quizzing as a part of competition every month, a quiz competition to make children get well-versed in General Knowledge.
- We, Honey Bunch encourage children to take up Global competitions, our school students participated in Doodle for Google Competition.
- In addition to this, we conduct competition in a weekly basis so as to make children get ease and have no fear towards competing anybody.

FIELD TRIPS

“Getting Connected to Nature is something that everybody wishes to and longing for...”

- Students and Staff of Honey Bunch were taken to Nilgiris Nature Biosphere park on a one day trip where children got to know a variety of trees and were taken on trekking expedition.
- “Science is not something that we learn through text; it needs more of Visualizing and Experimenting”

- Honey Bunch took the staff and students to Regional Science Center, Coimbatore as a part of the field trip where students looked into some many inventions and worked with some of the working models which save them the real knowledge.

NEW IMPLEMENTATIONS

- A Special Yoga Session has been organised everyday to improvise their learning capacity for Grade 9 and 10.
- Inauguration of the Senior and Senior Secondary block was held in the month of June 2019
- Inauguration of the Kapila Hall, the indoor multipurpose auditorium took place in July 2019
- Physics, Chemistry, Biology labs were constructed and practical's are going on in a full-fledged manner for classes 6 to 10.
- The new Mathematics lab was set up and training was given to the mathematics teachers for two days to train them to use the lab materials.
- New equipments were purchased for the Physical Education Department this year.
- The School library has been furnished with new set of furniture and books to enhance students reading.

FUTURE PLANS

- To enhance children's learning and understanding, Labs for subjects like Social and Computer for senior classes are to be set up in the upcoming academic year.
- Sports is basically what children like the most and some of our students wish to take sports as their career, to encourage them, We Honey Bunch has planned to Have Basket Court, Volley Ball Court, Badminton, Table Tennis, Athletics and Kabbadi
- Music is something that soothes oneself in all situations of life, to master it Honey Bunch has planned to have Violin, Miruthangam and Keyboard classes for the next academic year.
- We are happy to announce that Honey Bunch reaches another milestone by starting up Grade 11. We are about to provide 5 different streams in Grade 11. They are Bio-Math, Computer-Math, Pure Science, Commerce with Math and Commerce with Informatics Practice. We are also trying to integrate competitive exam coaching in our syllabus.