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LOCK DOWN CAN'T STOP US FROM REACHING OUT TO OUR BENEFICIARIES

Lockdown is certainly not a lock to the spirit and efforts of VIDYA to reach out to its beneficiaries in this time of crisis.

Though, like the whole world we are also at home, guarding ourselves and others from the deadly virus, yet we stay connected, thanks to technology.

Our initiatives in fighting COVID 19 by conducting awareness drives, partnering with organisations to deliver supplies, join knowledge sharing programmes, conducting online classes and counselling sessions has impacted and benefited our beneficiaries to a large extent.

TOUCHING LIVES IN THE DAYS OF SOCIAL DISTANCING!!

Distribution of essentials in the community



Our alumni students have volunteered to be COVID warriors and have been trained by the department of information and public relations to support the communities. They have taken the responsibility of making young kids aware of Social Distancing and are spreading Health and Hygiene awareness in the communities. They along with other volunteers have taken care of the food and water requirements of the Police personnel tirelessly working in their colony

GIFTING THE MASKS - A 'COVER DRIVE' AGAINST COVID.

Thanks to our VIDYA team of teachers, the cloth masks made and gifted by them, protect our beneficiaries, the Govt. hospital staff and others in the communities, from the deadly virus.

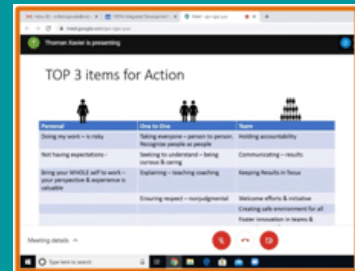
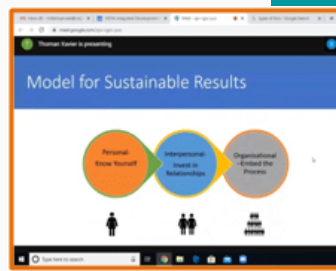


WORKSHOPS

THE DIVERSE TEAM THAT STANDS TOGETHER!

Thoman Xavier's session on 'Inclusivity and Diversity' touched upon and covered a whole range of bias clouding the work force. The session encompassed diverse aspects that hinder diversity and the inclusion of attributes that display inclusivity in organisations.

The VIDYA staff underwent a Leadership Training session conducted by Johncey George on the online platform ZOOM; here they learnt about the Six Thinking Hats and their use in our work at VIDYA

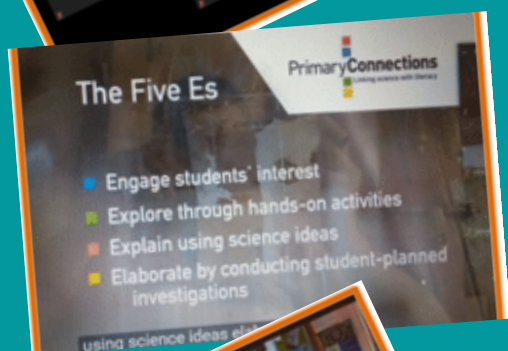
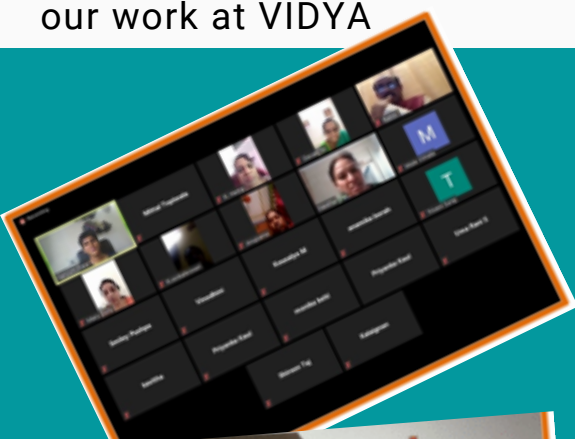


COLOURED HAT	THINK OF	DETAILED DESCRIPTION
	White paper	The white hat is about data and information. It is used to record information that is currently available and to identify further information that may be needed.
	Fire and warmth	The red hat is associated with feelings, intuition, and emotion. The red hat allows people to put forward feelings without justification or prejudice.
	Sunshine	The yellow hat is for a positive view of things. It looks for benefits in a situation. This hat encourages a positive view even in people who are always critical.
	A stern judge	The black hat relates to caution. It is used for critical judgement. Sometimes it is easy to overuse the black hat.
	Vegetation and rich growth	The green hat is for creative thinking and generating new ideas. This is your creative thinking cap.
	The sky and overview	The blue hat is about process control. It is used for thinking about thinking. The blue hat asks for summaries, conclusions and decisions.

IT'S NOT HIGH FIVE, IT'S 'E' FIVE FOR TEACHERS!

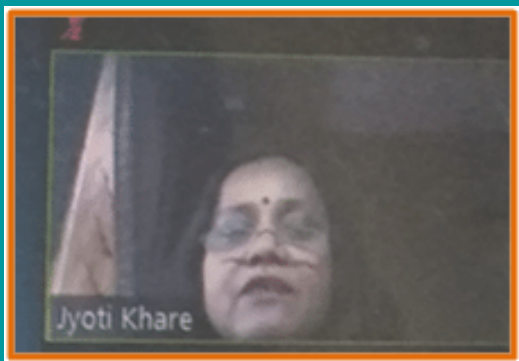
Despite the fact that there is a large scope and space for improvement, still, aren't some teachers left inadequate? Thanks to kids, for being the way they are meant to be, teachers need new and newer techniques to engage them in a fruitful manner. The four - day workshop conducted by Vonisha pitched in the much needed attitude, momentum and skills for teachers by "engaging" them, "exploring" the possibilities, "explaining" the concepts, "elaborating" the idea and "evaluating" the learning, thereby instilling the five 'e's of classroom teaching.

The entire spectrum of concepts discussed has been a great eye opener and learning experience, that's going to transform the way the participants look at teaching in a completely different perspective.



THE MAGIC OF STORIES- ANOTHER ENGAGING WAY OF EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING.

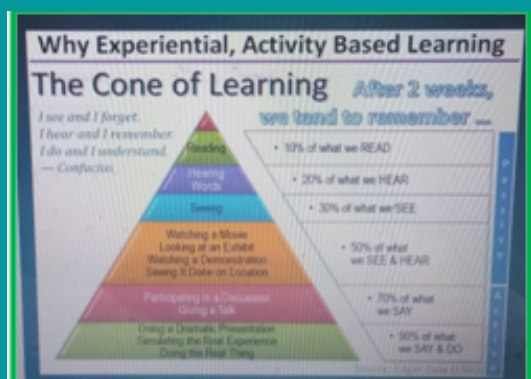
Teachers of VIDYA were given training on Story Telling by Priyanka kaul. There were multiple take aways which included narration of story, voice modulation, using describing words and drama, to create vivid imagination in the minds of young children. **There is a story everywhere, just weave it into your syllabus!!!**



ACTIVE PARTICIPATION VIA ACTIVITIES

Bringing in "activity based learning" strategies and how they impact the students, was shared by Jyoti Khare in her webinar.

The refreshing webinar highlighted the empowering experience of group activities, sentence building games, Phoenix... Facilitating learning of fundamentals through functional approach is the key to educate, transform and empower students.





PERMA

- P – Positive Emotion
- E – Engagement
- R – Relationships
- M – Meaning
- A – Accomplishments

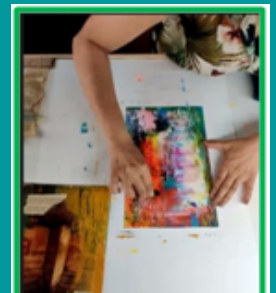
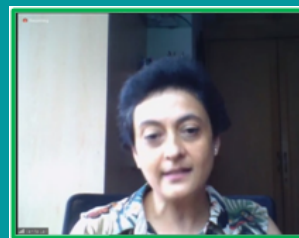
TIMES AS FICKLE AS LIFE ITSELF!!

The wavery weaves and the shaky breezy episodes of life, the brittle galaxy view of future and the bizarre bunch of the phases of life all on display in a tiny bit of time.

The COVID crisis that has cocooned and crippled countries and its citizens into the cages of fear, uncertainty and distance, reflect the true face of life. What's the need of this hour? A positive attitude and a good emotional quotient. Dr. Rajendra Barva spread the "Power of Positive Awareness and Action Coaching " to VIDYA family in his webinar.

ART IS AN EXPRESSION OF THE SOUL.

The 'Art Manthram ' workshop by Vanitha Lal Vohra, broke barriers, inspired all, edged everyone to delve deep into the splash of hues and shades, creating a canvas of varied emotions in colours. All on the online meeting platform!



IN THE WAVES OF CHANGE WE FIND OUR DIRECTIONS

The VIDYA Knowledge Series Webinars

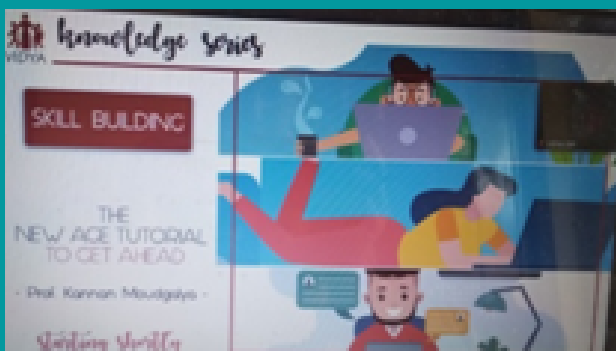
Not only 'work from home', but also 'learn from home' –the new norm in these changed times.

VIDYA, pioneering and catering to the specific and holistic needs of the learning community, is hosting a series of webinars, open to all.



CREATING INDEPENDENT LEARNERS

The first in the series, "The New Age Tutorials" paved the way for new vistas to modern effective virtual learning tools.



YOGA FOR THE BODY, MIND AND SOUL

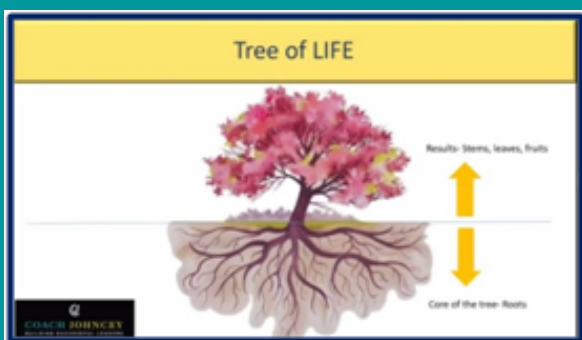
The webinar by Manish from our partner Total Yoga stretched our knowledge of Yoga & lifted our spirits.

Breathe right, sit with a straight back, meditate, think, smile for shanti and gratitude for a graceful life, were the salient aspects discussed.



Reinventing in times of crisis

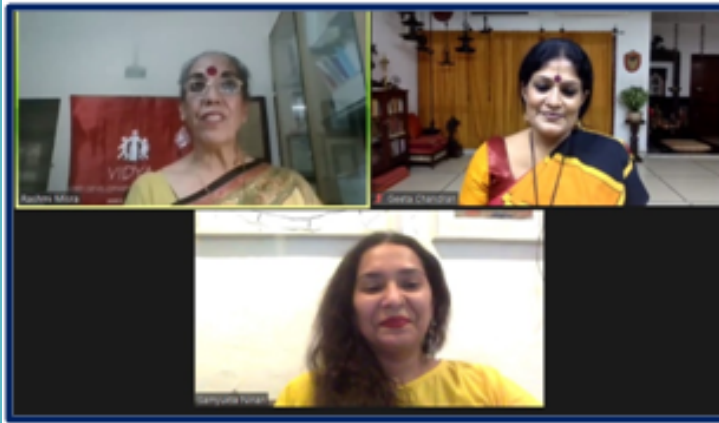
The era of A.C (After COVID) has just risen to light, leaving a new normal to each and all alike; be it social distancing, pressing economic crisis, listless future, fear of the invisible force of the micro organism.... The way forward is, right attitude, behaviour and our agility to '**reinventing mindset and creating new leaders**' as expressed in full canvas at VIDYA webinar by Johncey.



We have to take 100%
responsibility of our
lives

BLENDED EDUCATION, THE NEED OF THE HOUR

Dance, a scintillating universal language of expression!!



Part of the VIDYA Knowledge Series, this webinar with Padmeshri Geetha Chandran aspired and aimed to bridge performing arts and main stream curriculum in a blend for a holistic educational experience.

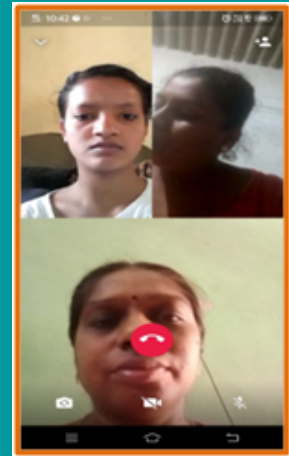
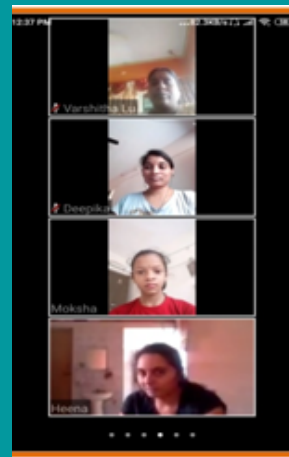
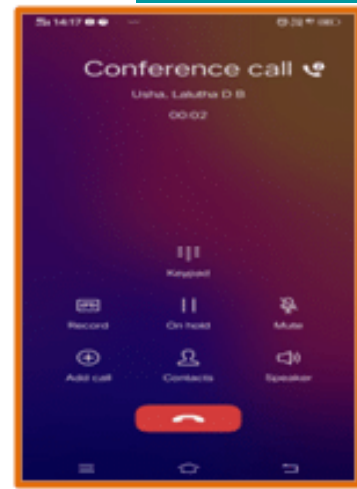


The Knowledge series continue

ONLINE CLASSES

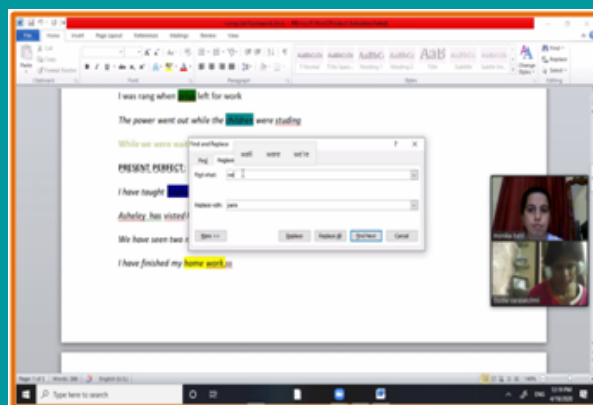
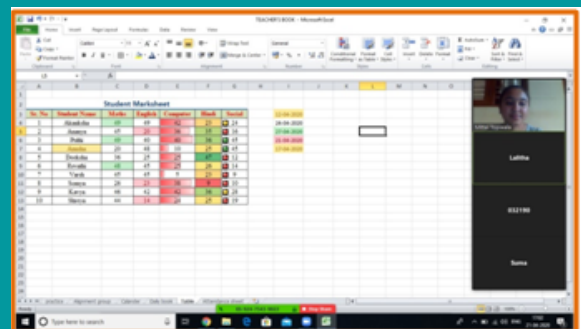
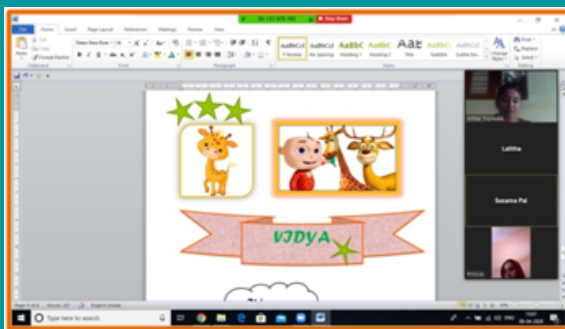
GONE ARE THE DAYS WHEN ONLINE LEARNING WAS CONFINED TO THE ELITE.

We have stretched our spectrum of learning through online meeting platforms. Can you believe, the lack of mobile network or absence of smart phones has not hindered our dire urge to transform the lives of the less privileged. Small groups are taught through conference calls. A quick glimpse into VIDYA online sessions...



English & NIOS

Computer Class and Assessments

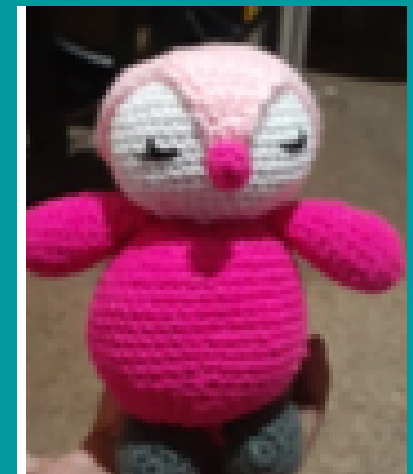
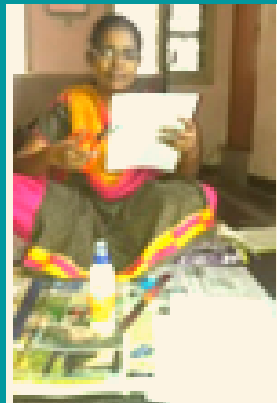
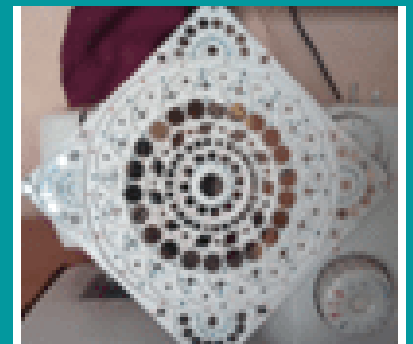
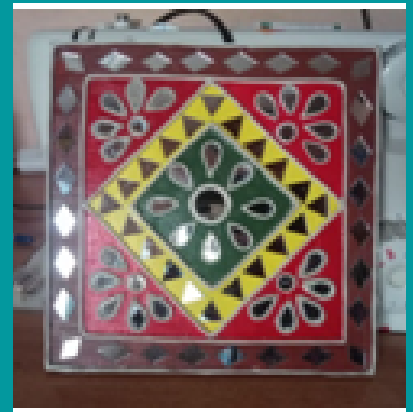


VOCATIONAL SKILLS AND MARGAM



Teachers are working with students by sending new designs on phone, with instructions to cut and stitch and also practice new patterns. The students clear their doubts on phone and send pictures of their finished assignments.

The teachers have made good use of their time by taking training in a few dying art forms like Cheriya, Madhubani, Lippan, Gond, Tholu Bommalattam and Shekhawati.



WHERE THERE IS SKILL.... THERE IS A WAY !!!

WELLNESS

Our teachers are regularly in touch with the students and are constantly motivating them to stay positive as they and their families go through these tough times. Motivational Videos and videos on how to handle the current situation are also being shared with the students to help them see different perspectives. The VIDYA counsellors are available for any calls by the students.

ACHIEVEMENTS

It is indeed a moment of pride and happiness as our I PUC students of the VIDYA scholarship programme have secured excellent marks in the board exams. The topper Rathna has secured a score of 92% while other students have an aggregate of over 70%. The virtual mentoring sessions give a lot of support to the students.

VIDYA cares for its beneficiaries and finds ways to reach them.
A Gratifying experience, isn't it?

A brief look at our Projects

- Beyond School Programme in 12 Government Schools
- Scholarship Programme for Boys and girls, to pursue higher education
- VIDYA Shakti – Livelihood programme for women in the community
- Digital Empowerment Programme for children , youth & residents of the community
- VIDYA School @ DRIK Viveka Campus
- Capacity building programme for Women @ various locations
- Bhagini- Women's Programme @ VIDYA Centre

Academic:

- a. Communicative English- Basic , Advance & NIIT certified SEPD
- b. Computer Literacy- Basic, Advance, Web design, Tally, Java
- c. NIOS – X and XII
- d. NTT- Nursery teacher Training

Vocational:

1. VIDYA Vastra- Singer certified Tailoring Course
2. VIDYA Varna- Madura Coats certified Embroidery and block printing course
3. VIDYA Vividha- Product making in Art and Craft
4. VIDYA Vaahan – Driving for women
5. VIDYA Aahaar- Catering and Cooking
6. VIDYA Shringar – Beautician Course

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"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."

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