

BALAVIDYALAYA

INSTITUTE FOR TEACHER TRAINING

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

The eighteenth Annual Day of the Institute was held along with the 49th Annual day of the school in Coromandel Auditorium in the Institutes premises on the 23rd of March 2019. Mr. S. Senthil Kumar the Executive Director of Indian Oil Corporation was the Chief Guest. Dr. G. Prabhakaran MBBS, DCH, MD, Fortis Malar – Paediatrician was the Special Guest.

The Institute closed on the 17th of April 2019 and reopened on the 3rd of June 2019.

DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION HEARING IMPAIRED

Since the year 2001 the Institute has been conducting the one year Diploma in Early Childhood Special Education Hearing Impairment. This Diploma is recognised by the Rehabilitation Council of India and the State Government of Tamilnadu. The main goals of the Institute are (i) to train graduates in Early Intervention techniques and (ii) be instrumental in starting Early Intervention Centres in other places, especially in rural areas, so that deaf infants and young children get an opportunity to acquire early verbal language skills and get integrated into mainstream society.

The Institute has made the manuals for the course and syllabus curriculum and has shared them with RCI and other Institutions conducting the course across the country as per the guidelines of RCI.

The course gives 60 % emphasis on practical and 40 % on theory. As part of the practical the candidates observe the twelve levels in the DHVANI Methodology and submit observations. They have a practice teaching session under supervision. They make the necessary DHVANI Teaching Learning Materials and fill up the DHVANI Assessment cards of the children.

DECSEHI CANDIDATES 2018 - 19

The year 2018 - 19, 6 candidates had joined the training programme. They included 2 from St Clare School for the deaf - Ernakulam, Kerala, 1 from the



Early Intervention Center Thiruvanamalai, 1 from Vizagapattinam and 2 from Chennai. The external Examinations were conducted in September 2019. We are awaiting their results.

DECSEHI CANDIDATES 2019 - 20

The first round of admission started on the 29th of May 2019. The final list of students was confirmed and the classes commenced on the 24th of June. Five students have joined the course this year. Three of them are from Chennai, one from Thoothukudy and one from Trichy. The candidate from Thoothukudy has been sponsored by a school for the deaf in thoothukudy desirous of starting an early intervention center. The one from Trichy will be joining the early intervention center in Trichi funded by the Government of Tamilnadu.

The First Term Examinations for the 2019-20 batch was conducted in the month of November.

Participation in seminars and workshops

Dr Subbulakshmi the Course Coordinator and Mrs. Hemalatha. R participate in a CRE seminar and workshop on 'Aural Rehabilitation – Goal Setting & Therapy Approach' held in Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education & Research'

Visitors

Mr. S. S. Jayasankar the Director of Oorjja visited. He was involved in helping the disabled get jobs. He found Oralism a good solution to sort issues that he faced in his work. Following his visit he brought a team of Rotarians from a Rotary Club in Cochin. Rotarian K.G. Sreeith Panicker headed the team. He officially was from Self 4 ward a center for Self Development. This team showed keen interest and had discussions on how to help early intervention centers in Cochin to become Oral. Logistics were discussed.

Mr. Ramesh Duraikannan from Shanthi Nivas Madurai visited. He went around the school and the Institute and showed keen interest to start an early intervention center in Madurai.

Under the umbrella of Balavidyalaya Trust the Institute along with the school is looking forward to a great year. The Golden Jubilee of the school, brings the Institute great pride. The institute seeks your continued support to motivate more number of students to enrol so that more children will become oral and join the mainstream society.