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Learning to Fly

Newsletter for November-December 2014



Silver Jubilee Celebrations at Butterflies

Butterflies celebrated its silver jubilee with spectacular performances by its children in New Delhi and Andaman & Nicobar Islands on December 6 & 15, 2014. The extravaganza began with the graceful lighting of the traditional lamp, followed by a short movie on Butterflies and a felicitation of outstanding alumni and colleagues who have dedicated more than twenty years of their life to Butterflies. A special award was also constituted and given to a police officer for her contribution to the cause of children.

The welcome speech by Ms.Rita Panicker, Director, Butterflies began with a remembrance for colleagues who have left for eternal rest, highlighted the achievements and milestones over the years and acknowledged the role of our supporters in helping us see this day.

The much awaited play titled Apna Apna Bhagya performed by our children began with a melodious rendition of a song by children which enthralled the audience. The ninety minute play took us all in search of the lead character Qadir's Bhagya (fate) and concluded with an important message for everyone. The astounding performance reflected the effort put in by the staff & children of Butterflies who were preparing for this day for the last several months.

The silver jubilee celebration was a great success leaving the entire Butterflies family with sweet memories to cherish !!!



Sports for Development

Sports Day of Traditional Games

Butterflies along with members of Delhi Child Rights Club organised and participated in a Sports Day of Traditional Games on 12 November 2014. The event was held to revive traditional games which are passing into oblivion among children of today due to the advent of technology & social media. The event witnessed the active participation of almost 200 children in traditional games like Kabaddi, Dog & the Bone etc. The children were encouraged to be more involved in sports and play in order to lead healthy lifestyles. A book on traditional games is also being developed & will be published soon.



Kite Making Workshop on Human Rights Day

Butterflies organised awareness campaigns on the importance of play & sports in several areas of Delhi. Small rallies were taken out and children distributed handbills to create awareness on their Right to Play. The week long campaign culminated with almost 450 children of Delhi Child Rights Club coming together for a Kite Making Workshop at Indraprastha Park on 10 December where they made kites and presented them along with a Charter of Demands on their Right to Play to the Lt. Governor of Delhi, Shri Najeeb Jung & three Mayors of Delhi.

Photo Gallery



Directors' Meet of CDK and CHC Associate Partners



Celebrating Children's Day with JW Marriott Hotel, New Delhi



Annual Picnic for Butterflies' Children & Staff to Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, 12-15 December



The Ambassador of Germany Mr.Michael Steiner distributes Christmas Gifts to Children



Butterflies' Children Perform at the Delhi Youth Festival, 20 December 2014



Health Camp with Dr.R.P.Centre for Ophthalmic Sciences (AIIMS) on 20 December 2014

Our Sincere Gratitude to

Misereor - Germany, Child Hope - UK, Comic Relief- UK, Jamsetji Tata Trust - Mumbai, India, Social Initiative - Sweden, Shinnyo-en - Japan, Centro Italiano Aiuti all'Infanzia (CIAI) - Italy, HSBC-Global Education Program – UK, Butterflies USA Foundation- New York, Childline India Foundation - Mumbai, India, Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India, Worldwide Media Private Limited - Mumbai, India, Amber Lounge Ltd., Singapore, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) – Department of Education, Uttrakhand, Department of Women & Child Development - Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, India, Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board (DUSIB), Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, India.

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Youth Reach - Saket, New Delhi, Social Ecological & Economic Development (SEEDS) - R.K. Puram - New Delhi, The American India Foundation Trust - New Delhi, Room To Read, New Delhi, Butterflies School of Culinary & Catering (BSCC) has been regularly catering lunches to Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability (CBGA), Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi

Our Friends

Sara Clegg, UK, visits Butterflies each year and donates funds she and her family raises in U.K., Parul Sharma – Sweden, LBS (Landesbausparkasse Baden – Wurttemberg) - Germany, Liverpool Football Club Hongkong & Liverpool Delhi Supporters' Club C/o. Steve Parry-Hongkong, Deki Dema , Arran & Ratana Stephen from Bhutan, - Deepak Mehta- New Delhi, Anju Malik- New Delhi, S. Priyanjali Yadav- Gurgaon, Joef Michael Fuchs- Germany, Bharat Panicker– Kamet, New Delhi, Ruchira Guglani, New Delhi

The Butterflies family wholeheartedly thanks you for your support

We look forward to your feedback and suggestions, do write to us at

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