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WHITE DESERT MAHAMAYA TRUST



We Create Examples



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About WDM

We believe India is firmly on the path to a socio-economic transformation and all of us have a definitive role to play.

WHITE DESERT MAHAMAYA is an NGO, based out of Padhdhar village, Bhuj, Kutch, Gujarat, India. We made a humble beginning in September 2015 and currently provide academic support to close to 400 children and sustainable income opportunities to more than 50 women artisans.

Who are We

We have started our mission from Bhuj, Kutch, Gujarat .We are the only NGO which provides regular academic support to rural kids. free of cost. Our establishment encourages them to showcase their talents by involving them in cultural and extracurricular activities.

What We Do

we attempt to create accountable and sensitive youth by ensuring villages with 100 percent literacy, economically self dependent with adequate employment opportunities . In addition through commercial farming, irrigation, adoption of modern and scientific agricultural methods, we wish to create an environment free of reservations and subsidies





VISION AND MISSION

- Access to education has largely remained a pipe dream for most underprivileged children in India...whilst the government has made a beginning in the right direction through the landmark law, The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, we are of the opinion that individual initiatives need to support the Government.
- Education is the key to poverty eradication, inclusive growth, removal of inequalities, population control, breaking down the narrow barriers of caste, creed, religion and color, fighting social/ sexual exploitation and racial/ sexual discrimination creating seamless and inclusive society offering equal opportunities to all. It is a continuous process which helps all individuals to
 - Become responsible citizens
 - Understand our rights and fulfil our responsibilities
 - Continuously expand horizons
 - Objurgate violence and embrace tolerance
 - Earn and give respect
 - Overall, make a positive impact on society

- We, an integral part of the White Desert Mahamaya family pledge to be guided in our life by the following principles. Arise, awake and stop not till the goal is reached.
- Shall abide by the constitution of India
- Follow what the great social reformer, the late B R Ambedkar emphasized, “We are Indians, firstly and lastly” and work towards an inclusive future of equal opportunities
- Will not discriminate in any manner whatsoever on the basis of gender, caste, creed, religion or colour.
- Strive to embrace the clarion call of the father of the nation, the late Mahatma Gandhi and be the change that we wish to see in this world
- Be guided by the principles of Swami Vivekananda,” It is a privilege to serve mankind, for this is the worship of God; God is here, in all these human souls. He is the soul of man”
- Will never disrespect or harm any fellow human being and be guided by the principles of good thoughts and good karma besides embracing honesty and integrity as a way of life.
- As responsible citizens,
- Abide by the laws of the land and derive great pride from our rich cultural heritage and glorious past
- Protect the environment including planting one tree and adopting the same

- Participate in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Clean India movement besides imbibing cleanliness as a way of life
- Will not cause damage to any public property
- Follow all traffic rules
- Avoid littering plastic and other waste as well as adhere to and participate in local waste management systems
- Behaving with dignity, standing up for our rights, speak assertively but in a controlled voice
- Act with restraint and desist from violence in any form
- Personal health and hygiene issues will be attended to on a daily basis
- We will help in conservation of scarce resources by judiciously using electricity, water, and other fuels.
- An effective team is always more worth than the sum of its parts. We will always put group goals above self-interests, understand, appreciate, share and help each other and move towards a new world order bereft of boundaries.
- We will contribute towards nation building and propagate the principles of humanity and universal brotherhood. Social consciousness and considerations shall guide our life.
- 7 • We shall focus on education and pursue wisdom and knowledge. For that purpose, we will fully utilize all tools made available to us by **White Desert Mahamaya Trust**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Smt Kuheli Bhattacharya – Trustee

Mr Suvendu Mitra – Trustee and President

Mr Sanjeev Kumar – Trustee and President

Smt Aparna Mitra – Trustee

Mr Debdeep Bhattacharya – Trustee and Treasurer

Mr Satish Rabari – Trustee and Vice President

Smt Chandrikaben Manwar – Trustee and Joint Secretary

Dr Alpa Nilesh Parekh – Trustee

Smt Beena Gandhi – Trustee

DAILY CLASSES

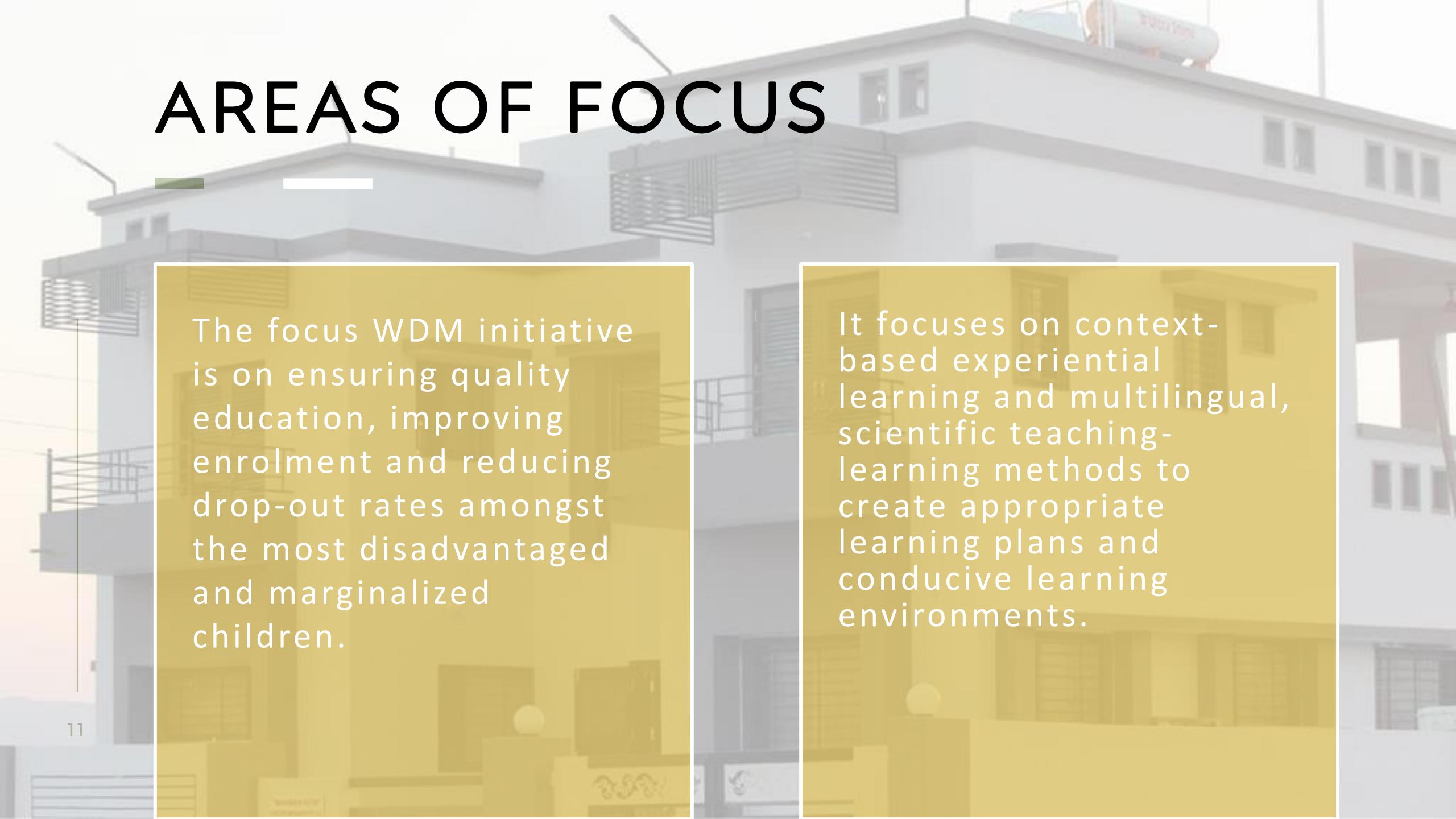
- White Desert Mahamaya Trust supports the quest for knowledge by focusing on Mathematics, Science, English, social sciences and other languages.
- 6 Volunteers and 8 paid teachers are empowered to run these classes.
- Apart from basic education, focus is also on instilling hygiene, values, discipline to help growth a true and responsible, and citizen of our country.
- Interlinking, interdependence, holistic development, out of the box thinking were encouraged besides providing a platform to express, explore and dream.
- An inclusive society bereft of caste, creed and religion is the stated objective.
- In order to increase the confidence of the students, activities like rewarding, honoring etc. for unique initiatives were done.

Children who receive an education develop a feeling of discipline and a spirit of cooperation, contributing to their future development and the country's future growth and development. Additionally, early Education shapes a child's communication skills and aids in their ability to collaborate.



A well-educated child recognizes the value of working together and models this behavior throughout life. As a result, they discover the advantages and benefits of leading a disciplined life as well as the road to success and aspirations.

AREAS OF FOCUS



The focus WDM initiative is on ensuring quality education, improving enrolment and reducing drop-out rates amongst the most disadvantaged and marginalized children.

It focuses on context-based experiential learning and multilingual, scientific teaching-learning methods to create appropriate learning plans and conducive learning environments.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS

- The dream of an inclusive future of equal opportunities can only be achieved if children are allowed to pursue higher education.
- Currently White Desert Mahamaya is limited to providing academic support for students in age groups of nursery to class X. Whilst it our stated goal to set up institutes of excellence for pursuing secondary and higher (read college) education, in the interim we support willing and capable students with scholarships in their academic pursuit.
- Such scholarships have led to positive results with more and more students daring to dream and we plan to increase the financial outlay in the forthcoming years.



COMPUTER CLASSES



- Daily computer learning classes for 25 to 30 students were conducted in 2022-23. Students were imparted basic knowledge of computers, broad idea of MS Office as well as computer hardware. Idea was to propagate internet based learning and the thirst for knowledge.
- Three teachers were selected to run these classes and a budget of close to INR One lac was earmarked for this purpose.
- Appropriation of different types of electronic gadgets in the methodology means appropriate use of technology.



SUNDAY @ SUNRISE



VALUE ADDING ACTIVITIES

Such activities are done in Sunday at Sunrise to develop moral values in children.



SPORTS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES

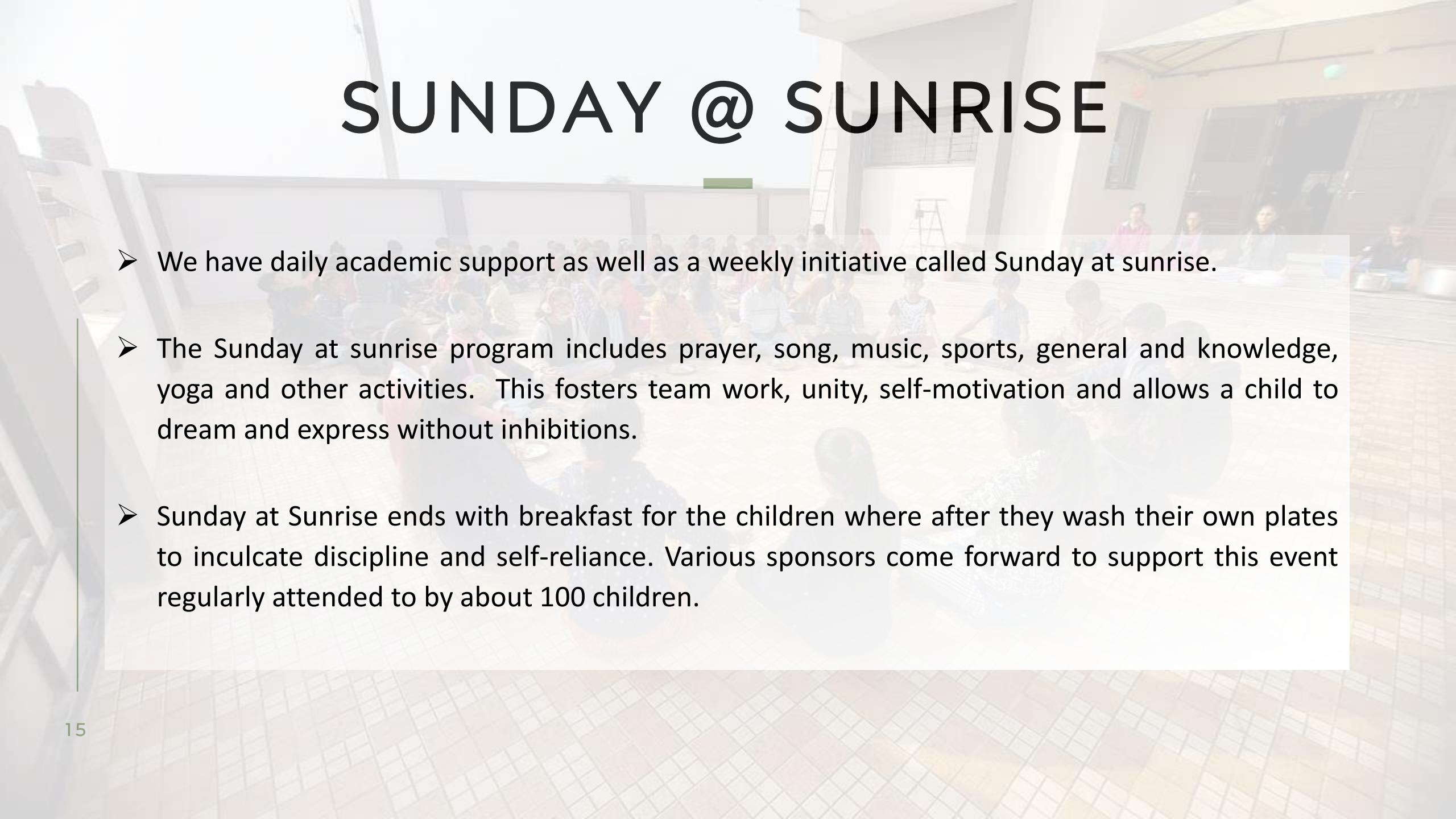
Physical activities and games are played to keep children healthy



SELF CONFIDENCE

Such activities are included to increase children Self-Confidence.

SUNDAY @ SUNRISE

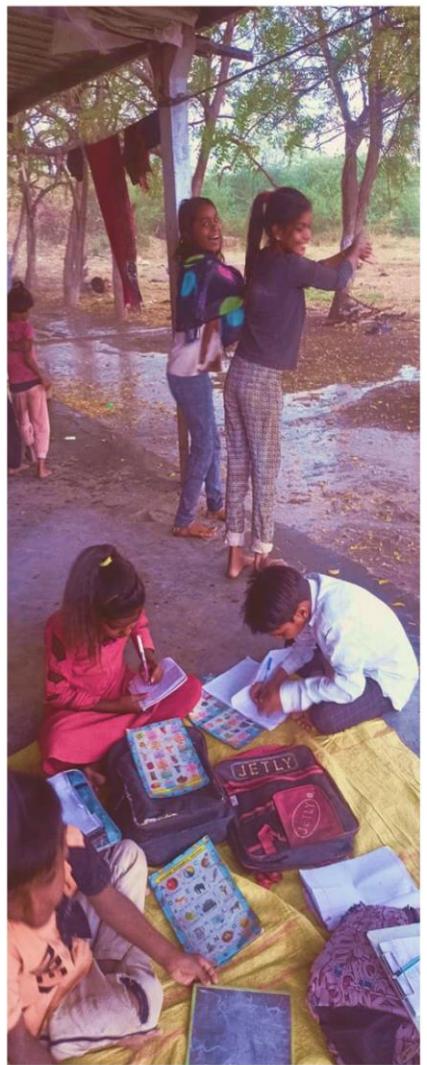


- We have daily academic support as well as a weekly initiative called Sunday at sunrise.
- The Sunday at sunrise program includes prayer, song, music, sports, general and knowledge, yoga and other activities. This fosters team work, unity, self-motivation and allows a child to dream and express without inhibitions.
- Sunday at Sunrise ends with breakfast for the children where after they wash their own plates to inculcate discipline and self-reliance. Various sponsors come forward to support this event regularly attended to by about 100 children.

KODAKI CLASSES



MAMUARA CLASSES



White Desert Mahamaya Trust has been working to provide free education in the slum area of Mamuara village since 2018.

This year, free education continued with 30 children in this area. Like every year, notebooks were given to the children this year too.

Children above the age of 6 we admitted them to the nearby Mamuara Primary School. And White Desert Mahamaya is helpful with any access issues or needs.



SWACHCHH BHARAT INITIATIVE

Don't call the world dirty because you forgot to clean your glasses.

Our Swachh Bharat initiative.....

Padhar village Bhuj, Kutch, India

Towards an inclusive future of equal opportunities

The Swachh Bharat Mission marks a paradigm shift in India's approach to sanitation. It goes beyond the traditional understanding of sanitation as merely the construction of toilets and encompasses a holistic perspective that includes behavior change, waste management, and awareness creation.

To achieve sustainable sanitation practices, the Swachh Bharat Mission emphasizes behavioral change and awareness creation. Various programs and campaigns have been conducted to educate and sensitize communities about the importance of sanitation and hygiene. These efforts have resulted in a shift in attitudes and behaviors, promoting cleanliness and hygiene practices among the masses.

WORLD YOGA DAY

- We celebrate most festivals which help foster discipline besides encouraging a society devoid of borders.
- Close to 90 students participated in the program and all precautions were taken to maintain social distancing besides adhering to other preventive health guidelines. The event was well attended and the students felt positive and energetic and promised to make Yoga a part of their daily lives.

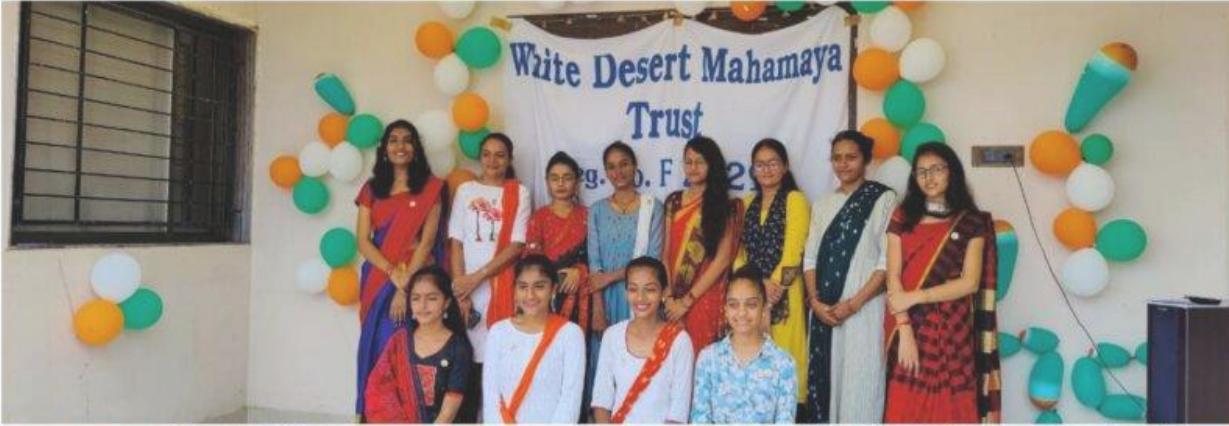


INDEPENDENCE AND REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

Independence Day and Republic Day is celebrated all over India with great gratification and joy. It's a day to honor Independence and the Constitution of independent India.

White Desert Mahamaya Trust Celebrated Independence Day and Republic Day. A large number of village persons, parents and children were present. WDM through a socio cultural program/performances celebrated our diversity, glorious history and culture. The spirit of celebration and togetherness is a great source of inspiration.

We at White Desert Mahamaya shall strive to uphold the values of our founders, and strive for an inclusive future of equal opportunities



FESTIVAL CELEBRATION

Festivals of India was celebrated by White Desert Mahamaya

Trust

Festivals are larger than life celebrations of various things. They occur at regular intervals and helping in breaking the monotony of life. Furthermore, they give you the chance to celebrate the little and big things in life. Festivals are the carriers of peace and joy in the communities.

Festival unite people and they come together for the sole purpose of celebration and happiness. Other than that, festivals also help us embrace our culture and religion.

In short, festivals fill our lives with colors and enthusiasm. They bring us closer every year and eliminate any feelings of communal hatred. Further, they strengthen the bonds of the community and remove the malice from people's hearts. Therefore, festivals are quite important and must be celebrated with passion.





THANK YOU

