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Wishing you all a very Happy Diwali!





The first term has seen interesting developments across all our schools both in Mumbai and at Igatpuri. Introduction of pottery-making at the Pre-Primary level has brought a sense of calm and boosted self expression and self esteem among our students. In Project Ringtones, our Upper Primary students are learning "Scratch", a programming language that helps them build their own interactive games and animations. Our Secondary Section teachers were invited by the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) to conduct virtual classes in Maths and Science for students from other MCGM Schools.

For the first time, our students participated in an Inter-school Football Tournament. It has been a rewarding experience and the students now look forward to the next tournament in December 2011. Our judo champions participated in the District Sports Officer's Championship, and have bagged medals at the Mayor's Cup Tournament



The students of the Kherwadi Municipal School in Bandra (E) participated in 'Design for Change', a global movement, which provides an opportunity for young people to express and implement their ideas for a better world. After much introspection and debate, the students chose the theme, 'Parental role in creating and maintaining a positive Home Environment'. The students expressed themselves to their parents through skits, group discussions and a signature campaign.

The success of Aseema's Education Approach has inspired other NGOs working in the field of education to collaborate with us. We have completed project assessments for two NGOs and will be extending support to them through training programmes in the future.

With generous support from FIL Fund Management Private Limited and Credit Suisse Consulting (India) Private Limited, the Navratri and Diwali party celebrations were made festive and meaningful. All the children wore their party outfits, played games, danced and enjoyed a sumptuous meal. Our Teachers' Day celebrations were also made memorable, thanks to the delicious lunch organized by Hotel Sahara Star.



In September 2011, budding artists from our art Studio - Aseema's Room 13 - organized an exhibition of their paintings at the Cymroza Art Gallery. The exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Ajay De, a well known artist and Mrs. Anjal Malkani, an Aseema supporter. Paintings, porcelain jars and sculptures featuring different art styles - Oaxaca, Mosaic, Decoupage, etc., were well appreciated. The artists were proud and happy to share their work with our guests. The sales proceeds will be utilized to fund the running of Aseema Room 13 at the Pali Chimbai Municipal School.

have introduced a new range of products consisting of acrylic coasters, greeting cards, gift envelopes, gift bags, a calendar for 2012, etc. These are available at 3, Shyam Sadan, 93, S. V.

With the onset of the festive season, we

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