

Deepti News Letter April 2016



Deepti Rehabilitation Centre

Deepti Centre for Children with Cerebral Palsy (Now known as Deepti Rehabilitation Centre) was founded on 19th August 2009 to care and support children with special needs and their families in Kerala. The motivation for Deepti Centre is the experience of Dr. Mathew C.Vargheese and Dr. Susan Mathew having a child with Cerebral Palsy. Deepti Rehabilitation Centre provides physiotherapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy for children

Deepti Special School

Deepti Special School was officially inaugurated on 10th August 2010. Deepti Special School is a major step in addressing the educational needs of these children. Now 125 children with various challenges such as Cerebral Palsy, Autism, ADHD, Downs Syndrome, and Mental Retardation are enrolled at Deepti.

Motto: *Enabling the Present
Enlightening the Future*

Aim and Objectives

Deepti Special School aims the holistic education of children who are differently-abled and facing various Challenges. The School works towards academic excellence, development of skills and talents and character formation in fear of God and service of humanity so as to mould intellectually trained, physically strengthened, socially committed and spiritually enlightened children.

Mathru Deepti (Mothers at Deepti)

Mathrudeepti is a fellowship of mothers at Deepti who come together, share their experience, hope, improvement of their children in order to encourage and strengthen each other in their challenges and struggles. They receive counselling and support from Deepti. Vocational training such as Tailoring, Fabric Painting and Printing, Detergent Making, Jewellery making, Paper Bag and Card Making etc are given to the parents.

Support Deepti

Your help is needed for some one who is special. Donate to Deepti. Please make a transfer (in Rupees only) to **Deepti Educational & Charitable Foundation (Reg No.27/2012)**

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Annual Day Celebration @ Deepti



Mr. Anto Antony, M.P

performing in amazing ways.

Deepti celebrated its 6th Annual Day on 12th March 2016, with Mr Anto Antony, MP of Pathanamthitta District, as chief guest. The MP lauded the unique contribution of Deepti Special School, in carving a bright future for differently-abled children and guiding and supporting their parents in their challenges. The children showcased their talents, in songs, dance and role play and skits. Parents also participated in various programmes. They were extremely happy to see their children



Deepti conducted a lucky coupon draw along with the Annual Day, and winners were presented with prizes sponsored by local businesses. Prizes were presented to the winners. Proceedings from the draw went to the purchase of a much needed vehicle to carry kids to and fro from school.



Deepti Band Troop



Deepti is proud to have a band of its own. The debut performance of Band took place to welcome guests of honour during the opening of the Annual Day celebration. They played gorgeously. A special word of appreciation goes to the members of the Deepti Band Troup as well as the trainer Mr. Shibi, who is also a teacher at Deepti.

Excellent Services Acknowledged

Ms. Linda Sarah Babu, who worked as Speech Therapist at Deepti for six months was appreciated for her excellent voluntary service.

Mr. Shibu, was honoured for his sincere service as a auto rickshaw driver for riding Dannison, aged 31 and with CP, for last two years.



Mr. Anto Antony, MP presents memento to Linda and Shibu

Deepthi Children bag 14 medals at All Kerala Special School Olympics Meet



Deepthi has appointed a dedicated sports teacher in order to train the kids in various sports and athletics. This is crucial for the kids as it helps them give extra focus on their physical abilities along with their academic and rehabilitative goals. Kids from Deepthi participated in the All Kerala Special School Olympic Meet, which took place in Trivandrum on February 4, 5, and 6 and bagged a total of 14 medals in various sports events, a result of the training imparted onto them. The children were felicitated during the annual day celebrations.

Caroline & Caroline @ Deepthi: Create, Learn, Play and Move

Caroline Molloy, the Chair of Candle for India Charity and Caroline Essame, Creative Arts Therapist visited Deepthi in the third week of January. On January 18 they conducted training for parents. A special seminar on Creative Play was held for students and staff focussing on Floral Design, Play Dough, Modelling, Creative art and Balloon painting. Ms. Rosamund Smith also visited Deepthi along with Carolines for the first time and actively participated in the Creative Arts Sessions and Seminars. Deepthi could establish a link with the famous medical institution CMC Vellore. On January 25, Caroline Essame, Caroline Molly and Susan Mathew did presentations at a Seminar organized by the Department of OT at CMC.

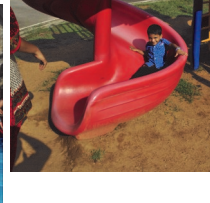


Arts Day at Deepthi



Caroline Molloy, Caroline Essame and Susan Mathew at CMC Vellore as Resource Persons

Deepthi Family Fun day @ Green Valley Park



Deepthi Special School's final day of the current academic calendar was celebrated with a family picnic to Green Valley Park, Adoor. Thanks to the officials at the park who gave discounted entry fee to children and free entry to their parents, siblings and teachers. Children splashed at the pool and tried various rides. Parents and staff joined them. Picnic ended with tea and snacks. It was a time of bonding for the entire Deepthi Family.



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*A Big Thank You,
for all your love,
prayer and support :*

**Children, Parents and
Staff at Deepthi**

Your Support and Help Needed

- ♦ To purchase one more school bus
- ♦ To purchase land for Deepthi
- ♦ To develop suitable infrastructure