

**BHAVAN'S GANDHI VIDYASHRAM  
KODAIKANAL**

**REPORT ON CLEANLINESS DRIVE FOR SWACH BHARAT-SWACHHATA  
PAKHWADA**

**1 TO 15 SEPTEMBER 2018**

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**a. SWACHHATA SHAPATH DAY CELEBRATED AT BHAVAN'S GANDHI  
VIDYASHRAM**

The students and faculty members of Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram, Kodaikanal wholeheartedly participated in the Swachhata Shapath Day organized in school on 1 September 2018, the first day of the Pakhwada. A few students and teachers delivered speeches on the importance of Cleanliness or Swachhata in the morning assembly.

All students and teachers decided to devote themselves towards 'Swachhata' (cleanliness) of our school, surroundings and as such our motherland.

**CLEANLINESS PLEDGE**

- It is our duty to serve Mother India by keeping the country neat and clean.
- I take this pledge that I will remain committed towards cleanliness and devote time for this.
- I will neither litter nor let others litter.
- I will encourage 100 persons to take this pledge.
- I will endeavour to make them devote their 100 hours for cleanliness.
- I am confident that every step I take towards cleanliness will help in making my country clean.

**b. SWACHHATA AWARENESS DAY (2 Sep-4 Sep.2018)**

We at the Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram believe that schools not only impart knowledge, but also play a major role in shaping the personality of an individual. Apart from knowledge, a student learns lessons of discipline, honesty and cleanliness from school and therefore, it is important for a school to maintain a hygienic atmosphere.

**HEALTHY SCHOOL, HEALTHY STUDENTS**

The following activities were done to spread awareness among students and their parents about importance of hygiene, sanitation and a clean and pollution free environment.

### **1. Message to the Parents.**

Dear Parents

Mr. Narendra Modi, the Prime Minister of our country, has kickstarted the campaign called Swachh Bharat Abhiyan or 'Clean India' campaign with great gusto all across India to encourage people maintain high standard of cleanliness and hygiene at all places, be it our homes, workplaces, public places, streets/roads, etc so it becomes our responsibility too to inculcate the same spirit in our students.

Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram is celebrating Swachhata Week. This program is aimed at creating awareness among the students about the importance of Cleanliness. The ancient proverb "Cleanliness is next to godliness" is one of the most well-known and apt saying which suggests that being clean is as good as being godly. Cleanliness has much importance in everyone's life. It is vital for a healthy body, mind and spirit. Healthy students are able to focus better at **school** and experience less absenteeism.

Cleanliness is undoubtedly a virtue and is to be encouraged. The importance of cleanliness should not be forgotten and the children should start caring not only about their classrooms and their school but also about their communities, localities and eventually their country. So join US in pledging to work towards keeping our environment clean and free of unhygienic elements.

2. Renovation of all the Washrooms of the school was done in order to make the washrooms clean and to highlight the importance of sanitation and hygiene among the children.
3. Sanitary facilities in each and every corner of the school has been given. There are separate washrooms for girls and boys. Toilets with Western and Indian seats have been provided and wash basin with proper supply of water
4. Hand wash is placed in every washing area like the dining hall and all restrooms.
4. Dustbins have been placed in every class room, washroom, corridors and public places as well.
5. Utmost care is being taken for the cleanliness in the school.

**c. GREEN SCHOOL DRIVE-5 September 2018**

1. A Tree Plantation Drive was organized by the young and enthusiastic Interactors of Interact Club of Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram in the school premises.

2. A talk on importance of waste segregation was organized in school. Students were enlightened on the segregation of waste material being produced at school and how to make our school a clean and green school. Dr. Rajamanikam was the resource person. He gave a very interesting and informative speech on the ways and means of segregating waste. To make the children learn about the classification of waste and its importance, Blue and Green Colour dustbins are being used.

**d. SWACHHATA PARTICIPATION DAY**

- Our school participated in the Clean School Contest organized by the Rotary Club of Kodaikaaal.
- Debates on Swachhata were conducted in classrooms and also during morning assembly.
- Students were made to perform role plays and skits on the importance of Cleanliness in our lives.
- A painting competition based on Importance of Cleanliness was conducted in school.
- Also an essay writing Competition was conducted in school.
- Inter Class Quiz Competition on Swachh Abhiyaan was conducted for all classes.

**e. HAND WASH DAY-7 SEPTEMBER 2018**

An orientation program on the proper method of hand washing before and after eating was organized by our school on 7 September 2018. Dr. Padmanabhan, our campus doctor was the resource person.

**f. PERSONAL HYGIENE DAY-8 SEPTEMBER 2018**

An awareness program on the proper way of cutting and keeping nails clean was conducted in school. The students were taught about the importance of personal hygiene and were briefed about how remaining clean can keep us away from deadly diseases.

#### **g. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION DAY**

- A Clean the Campus program was conducted in school on 10 September 2018.
- Our students participated in the march spreading awareness on maintaining a clean and pollution environment which was organized by the Rotary Club of Kodaikanal.
- Our students were taught the hygienic manner of using toilets and drinking water facilities.
- Our students were also briefed about the importance of conserving water.

#### **h. Swachhata School Exhibition Day-11<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

Swachhata Pakhawada Exhibition was organized at Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram, Kodaikanal on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Tuesday at P.R.R Auditorium in school our Campus.

The Program was inaugurated by our Principal, Mrs.P. Sridevi Mohan. All the teaching and non-teaching staff along with the students participated in the event. The objective of the exhibition is to create awareness about Swachha Bharat Abhiyan.

Models, Charts, Slogans and Paintings by our students were displayed in this Exhibition. The students eagerly participated in all the events. The Exhibition not only attracted the attention of the students but also created a great impact on them.

The students also created many artifacts using recycled materials which were displayed in the exhibition. This exhibition helped in spreading an awareness about the importance of cleanliness.

#### **i. Swachh Water Day-2<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

Swachh Water Day was organized in Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram, Kodaikanal on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Wednesday. The Event was presided over by our Principal, Mrs.P.Sridevi Mohan.

The students were asked to assemble in the P.R.R Auditorium for a brief lecture by Mr.T.V.Sukumaran, our Social teacher. The talk focused on the various Organic and Inorganic waste, which are dumped in water and its

impact. The students understood the means and ways to avoid intake of unsafe water.

A video clipping about the various waterborne diseases their causes, symptoms and treatments was shown to the children. The children also learnt how to store drinking water in a safe manner and rule out the possibility of spreading waterborne diseases.

#### k. Letter Writing Day -14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Letter Writing Day was organized in Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram, Kodaikanal on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Friday.

The students were motivated by the teachers to participate in the event. The students assembled in their respective classes for the Letter Writing Competition.

Our junior students were asked to write a letter to their parents explaining the knowledge that they have gained in the past few days regarding the Swachchata Abhiyan Mission.

Our senior students also wrote letters to the District Collector expressing their complaints and concern towards the Mission.

All our students eagerly participated in the competition and expressed their vision and also the changes which they feel to be implemented in the future.

#### **l. Prize Distribution Day-15<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

A Prize distribution function was organized in Bhavan's Gandhi Vidyashram on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2018 Saturday at P.R.R Auditorium in school our Campus.

The program was inaugurated by our Principal, Mrs. P. Sridevi Mohan. The students shared their thoughts and about the knowledge they had gained in the past few days.

All the teachers and students who excelled in various events and competitions were awarded with the participation certificates.