

1076 NADI SANGAM PRIMARY SCHOOL
INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY AND LITERACY WEEK
2022
REPORT

INTRODUCTION

Libraries are places where anything is possible, you can travel the world, uncover hidden mysteries and even heal a broken heart all inside the walls of a library. Even today in our hyper connected world, libraries are an indispensable resource. They provide a safe space to learn and discover for anyone who seeks it. No matter who you are or where you come from, everyone is welcome and the best of all is that all books are free. However, many libraries are in real danger of closing for good. In a world, where you can find the answer to any question you can think of with a simple google search, these community libraries are no longer considered the ultimate route to knowledge. Even though, we don't rely on libraries for information in the same way we used to, yet they contain so many wonders to discover that can never be found online. So, this year more than ever, it's time to celebrate and embrace our local libraries otherwise we risk losing them for good. National library week is celebrated every year in September. Thus, it was celebrated at Nadi Sangam School from 5th to 9th of September where all year levels took part in variety of activities to mark this special event. Library week celebration aims to commemorate the contributions of libraries and library workers. In addition, it was a golden opportunity and thrilling moment for our school to be part of this year's library week celebration. The theme for this year's library week was "connect with your library". This promotes the idea that libraries are places to get connected to technology by using broadband, computers and other resources. Libraries also offer opportunities to connect with media, programs, and ideas in addition to books. Most importantly, libraries connect communities to each other. Overall, the theme was an explicit call for action an invitation for communities to join, visit or advocate for their local libraries.

Furthermore, learning to read and write improves our ability to communicate effectively with others by enhancing our oral language, allowing us to express our feelings, thoughts, and ideas with others more clearly. Thus, our school also took part in International Literacy Day which takes place on 8th September every year to raise awareness and concern for literacy problems that exist within our own local communities as well as globally. International Literacy Day was found by proclamation of The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 1966 to remind the public of the importance of literacy as a matter of dignity and human rights. What exactly is literacy? According to Oxford dictionary literacy is the quality or state of being literate, educated and being able to read and write. Literacy is the key to personal empowerment and gives us personal dignity and self-worth. To ensure no one is left behind, we need to enrich and transform the existing learning spaces through an integrated approach and enable literacy learning in the perspective of lifelong learning. This year's International Literacy Day was celebrated worldwide under the theme, "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces" and this provided an opportunity to rethink of the fundamental importance of literacy learning spaces to build resilience and ensure quality, equitable and inclusive education for all. In addition, students of all year levels were actively involved in various competitions like debate, oratory, spell well, quiz, storytelling etc to develop their literacy skills and knowledge.

THE PROGRAM:

The program for the week was as follows:

LIBRARY WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

The National library week celebration started on Monday, 5th of September. Students showed a lot of interest and excitement in carrying out the activities delegated to their year level. With the assistance of the class teachers, students started preparing and displaying their activities inside and outside of the classrooms. Thus, the activities prepared by students were as follows:

1. Designing and making posters, story books and book markers related to the theme.
2. Setting up library corners in the classroom and compiling story books for different ability groups.
3. Visiting the school library as per the library timetable.

Finally, an official program was conducted on Friday, 9th September, over the intercom which was led by the band and the marching group followed by students from lower primary in their special character costumes from their favorite story books. In addition, year 5 and 6 students delivered their speeches in the three languages followed by speeches from Head teacher and both AHTs. The programme ended at 9.30am with the vote of thanks.

GLIMPSE OF LIBRARY WEEK ACTIVITIES







IMAGINE YOUR FACE
SAY HELLO TO ME
THEN ALL THE BAD DAYS THEY' RE NOTHING TO ME
WITH YOU

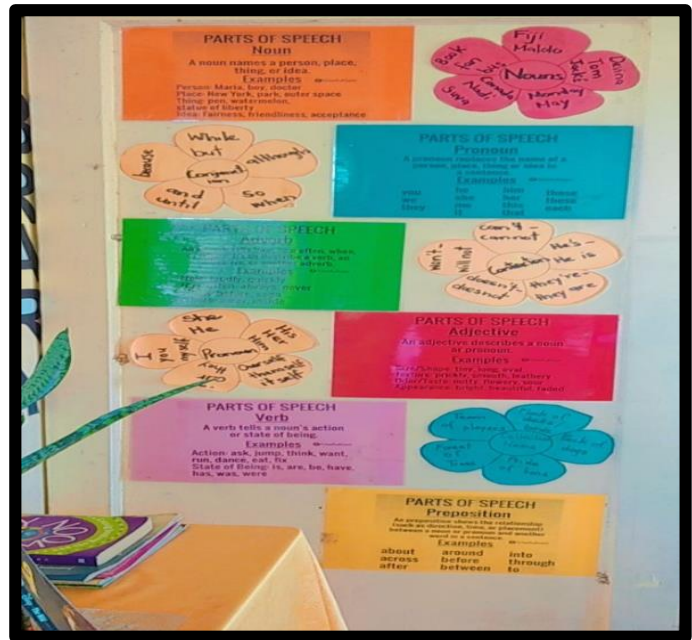
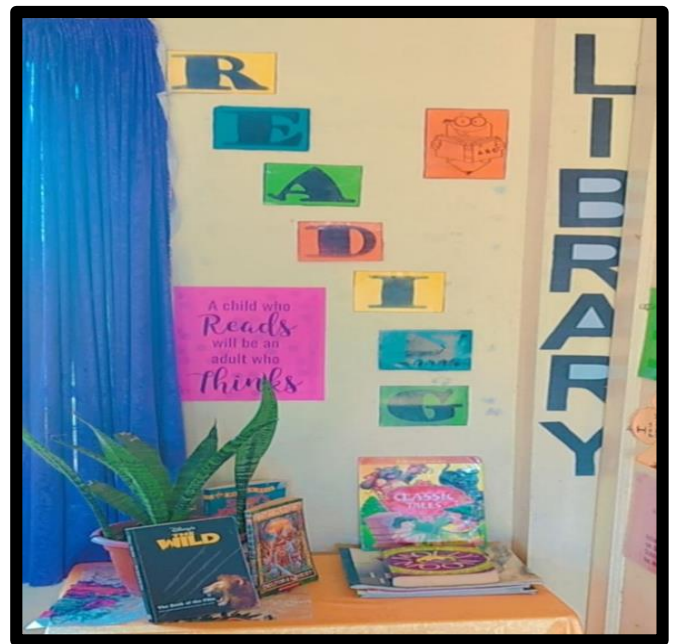
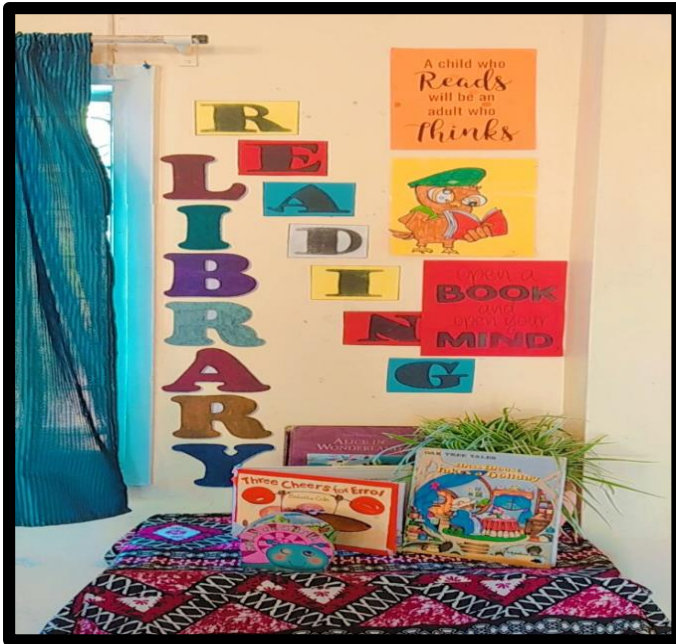




Students marching with band group



Students in character costumes.



LITERACY DAY HIGHLIGHTS

Literacy day was celebrated in school on Wednesday, 8th September. All year levels were delegated activities. Teachers organized interhouse competitions amongst their stream and actively participated in the respective activities. In addition, the winning classes were awarded with trophies and certificates.

The activities for each Year level were as follows:

Kindy Early reading competition

Year 1 and 2 Recited poems, rhymes and phonics songs.

Year 3 Did story telling

Year 4 Did impromptu speech

Year 5 Took part in spell well competition

Year 6 Took part in quiz competition

Year 7 Took part in oratory competition

Year 8 Took part in debate

GLIMPSE OF LITERACY DAY ACTIVITIES







STRENGTHS

- The program was carried out as planned.
- Teachers, students, and parents showed active participation throughout the week.
- Very enlightening and exciting program.
- A successful program.

SPECIAL THANKS AND APPRECIATION

- The head teacher for giving us the opportunity to mark this week-long program.
- The coordinator and the organising team for the wonderful program.
- All staff of Nadi Sangam for carrying out the program as planned.
- All students for their active contribution in putting up wonderful displays.
- All parents for their support and co-operation in providing their children with resources.

CONCLUSION

Let us remember, one book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world. With literacy and knowledge, you can remove the darkness in mind and enlighten it for a brighter future. Change must start from the individual and the individual must want and feel ready to make such change. Thus, International library and literacy day celebration has been very informative for all, especially the students which gave them a good opportunity to learn and develop their reading and improve their literacy skills

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