# 2013-2014



## Championing for clean environment!!

On 5<sup>th</sup> June, the children at SUKRUPA celebrated World Environment Day. To mark the occasion, the project took out a rally in the street creating awareness on 'Importance of a clean environment'. Thereafter, the high school children had a program, where they spoke about different issues on environment as well.

# July



Fun & Frolic Day for all!

It was a beautiful Saturday morning on 2<sup>nd</sup> March; HMT ground in RT Nagar was swarming with activities. It was the Annual Day for SUKRUPA! The day saw a culmination of diverse performances by the children. Among parents and friends of SUKRUPA, our corporate partners graced the occasion too. We were also very happy to have Mr. Tridip Roy, Mr. Ramesh Gopala Krishna, Mr. CHandramannar as the Guest of Honour for the annual day. In addition to good performances by the children of SUKRUPA, everyone was treated with sumptuous meals as well – a happy ending to a fun and frolic day.



academic year! This program was a collaborative venture with 'Goldman Sachs' as part of their Community Team Work initiative

#### **Carnival**



To give a headstart to the new academic session – on 25<sup>th</sup> June, the children enjoyed the Carnival that was organised along-with Goldman Sachs through their Community Team Work initiative. It was a fun-day indeed!

#### Let's Have Fun with Science!!!



As part of Goldman Sach's Community Team Work program, we wanted to ensure that our children receive an impetus on

interactive learning adopting topics from their school curriculum. As such, the children along-with the volunteers made working models of volcanoes, kalideoscopes and windmills. Undertsanding the concept through 'Do It yourself' gave them the chance to retain knowledge in a fun way. The children were seen enjoying making moulds for the volcanoes, aligning the mirrors for kalideoscope and planning out the mechanism to run each of their windmills – it was really a fun day with science!



Founder | Executive Director

Dear Friends,

We are happy to share that SUKRUPA has completed another successful year! Reflecting on the year that was, SUKRUPA has able to come out a 'success' amidst many challenges. This has been possible because of all the good wishes and help we received from our friends, donors and well-wishers. Now, as we step into our next academic session, we take with us all the learning from the year that we have left behind. This year, as we take SUKRUPA's vision forward we hope to bring more creativity and nurture talents so that our children can 'Rise

and Shine' like their contemporaries. To do so, we would need your continuous support in helping our children realize to what they have aspired to be.

# August – SEP

# **Independence Day Celebration!**







15th August, as it's celebrated across the length and breath of the nation commemorating the day of Independence – it is always very encouraging to see the young students of SUKRUPA give their heart & soul in preparing for the day. The weeks prior to the Independence Day, 'SUKRUPA Education Centre' was buzzing with activities. Children were seen practicing dance, perfecting their speecehes and the recitals under the guidance of the teachers who took the initiative to hone their skills and oversee and ensure that the day was celebrated with great gaiety. This 67th Independence Day was especially a joyous day for SUKRUPA as we celebrated with our new team of teachers. Most importantly, under the aegis of Kanthula foundation, 4 of our children received Kanthula Award for their good academic results on the day – a motivation for the children to reach their goal and hope to see many more children become successful.

## Illustration through knowledge











The students from std VI – Std IX were all divided into four houses-Red, Green, Yellow and Blue. Very exciting topics were allotted to each house. The red house presented on the topic prominent Indian scientists, the yellow house- diversity in Karnataka, green house- sculptures of the world and blue house- national and international sports. The students who took part in the "illustration through knowledge" program showcased significant gains in their interest and involvement in science, sports, history and culture.

2nd August, 2013

## Rangolicompetiton





Anybody who entered our school on the 31st of July would have wondered if Dasara had come a month early. It was so colourful with different Rangolis. These beautiful Rangolis were done by our students for the Rangoli competition. During the competition the contestants were busy drawing swift lines and filling up with Rangoli amidst the excited classmates who were eager to give colouring ideas to their friends! The judges supervised the progress and found the colouring methods used by the students very impressive.

## **Face Painting Competition**

Every artist was first an amateur- Ralph Waldo Emerson.

To promote talent, a face painting competition was organized for the children here at

SUKRUPA. This competition was absolutely amazing! We saw a fantastic variety of designs and ideas.

23rd August, 2013





## **Teachers Day Celebration!**



The school made elaborate preparations for the Teachers Day celebrations. The ceremony started off with a warm Teachers' Day speech from our Director, paying respect and thanking teachers for their contribution. This was followed by a range of colourful cultural programs, feast and other activities which make the event special and memorable. The teachers received from the students Creative and attractive Teachers' Day greeting cards adorned with captivating and touchy quotes and messages to convey the indebtedness unfailingly.

5th September, 2013



Bangalore School of Music - Annual Day Celebrations!!

The Bangalore school of music presents future forward featuring a divirtimento of chamber music by students of the Bangalore School of Music. 32 of SUKRUPA Students participated in this event.



# 11th September, 2013 Alliance Française

### Birthday celebration of Pearse Lyons!!

SUKRUPA children had an opportunity to meet and extend their wishes on the Birdthdayof Mr.Pearse Lyons Founder | Preseident of Alltech Inc. The children presented a personalized creative birthday card which was appreciated by Mr.Pearse Lyon.





# **DECEMBER**







# Christmas Celebration for Children of SUKRUPA...

Hark the hearld the angel sings...as the 'Little Angel Choir' Sings, the warmth and the joyful spirit of Christmas comes alive. On 19th Dec, the choir performed at Leela Palace on the ocassion of christmas celebration by Overseas Women's Club. It was a platform that surely boost their confidence after all the hard work that they carry to perfect their performance. On 23rd Dec, Everyone at SUKRUPA celebrated christmas before breaking for winter vacation. The kids came in colourful dresses and enjoyed singing along with the choir and ending with a sumptious meal. It was fun-filled & full-filling day for all of us...

SUKRUPA partnered with Ajmera Thump, Celebration Bangalore Marathon













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Do watch this space for our very first harvest!!!!!!!



# Children's Day Celebration

Hours of practice by the children for weeks, made 14th December a wonderful day to be remembered. The kids from pre-primary to high school, every one gave their best as they performed skits, dance and songs in their colourful costumes. We were able to see some talented kids who have the knack for theatre too..hope we can nurture their talent...



## A fun day with Science!!

Science is fun when we can have our hands on constructing various working models from different areas of physics, chemistry and biology. And, this is exactly what our high school kids did with the Adobe volunteers. They constructed periscope, built a satellite, drew a human anatomy chart and demonstrated a rain water harvesting model. It was a leaning and a joyous day for all the kids.



Primary School's fun day with ANZ!

Every kid loves to paint and draw! What better day can it be to do something that they enjoy when they have company too. Volunteers from ANZ spent a day with our primary school kids where they had sessions on painting, craft & story telling.

It was a lovely day and the kids have surely asked their Akkas&Annas to visit them again....



Founder | Executive Director Speak

Dear Friends,

Wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!!

Few days are left to bid good-bye to 2013 and for us to enter a new year; Hope 2014 brings loads of joy for everyone of us.

As the countdown begins.... reflecting on 2013, SUKRUPA indeed have had many events that would definitely add to the milestone and hope this will be the foundation for many more good days to come.

There were many events that kept us busy for last couple of months. It was an experience for all our kids to have been part of such events that was refreshing and interesting as well. The first being, a Garden project that was initiated with the help of Deloitte for our high school kids to instill in them the learnings on 'How to eat healthy', work as a team and be creative apart from creating interest and respect for the environment. Do keep reading our newsletter as we shall capture our very first harvest very soon.

Most importantly, SUKRUPA was the charity partner for Ajmera Thump Celebration Bangalore, Marathon on 8th December. It was surely an event where our kids received an opportunity to flag-off the race and perform amidst a bigger audience - A memorable day!

I would like to thank all our well-wishers & friend who have helped us through 2013.....

Once again, Happy New Year

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## Founder | Executive Director Speak:

As you might know, it was only I, my brother and mother who were working round the clock to create a niche for the kids at SUKRUPA coming from the slums of Bangalore. In 2010 it resulted in a health set back, with slip disc and thyroid issues with stress level mounting up due to the funding challenges at SUKRUPA. Up until then I had never gone out of my way to raise funds, used up all my savings as I was busy setting up the programs. 2010 to 2012 was the toughest journey I have ever been on, however I am glad that I have overcome some major challenges, health is slowly back on track and we are moving towards sustainability at SUKRUPA. Thanks to all our friends, supporters, partners and volunteers who believed in us and stood by us all these years. First thing I did in mid 2012 was to set up a office team, system and process that would support the smooth functioning of all the programs. Mid 2013 we brought in a motivated and committed teachers team to bring stability in education, creativity

& values, which was crucial for our core program; We also recruited good trainers for Skills, Livelihood and Empowerment among Women and Youth in the community. With these major inclusions, and lot of hand holding last two years now we are able to spend some time on strategising the growth plan for SUKRUPA, for next three to five years. We look forward for more hands to join us in this journey as we continue to making difference and creating opportunities among children and women in the underprivileged communities.

# Highlights of 2013!!!

**SUKRUPA Welcomes** 

**New Partner ALD** 

-SG









SUKRUPA was proud to announce a New Partnership with ALD International, part of SocieteGenerale

Group who sponsored 100 children for the academic year 2013-2014.

### **SUKRUPA** celebrates Republic day!

The day started with the hoisting of the National Flag by the Chief Guest AnkushDadu( a representative of Anand Sweets). We also thank Anand sweets for distributing sweets to the kids! We were happy that Deloitte volunters were part of the programme too.



**National Girl Child Day!** 



On the occasion of National Girl Child Day on 24<sup>th</sup> January'13, awareness was created on the 'importance of health and hygiene' to the girl students of the High School. SUKRUPA Thanks Bangalore Metropolitan Ladies Circle 5 for their initiative in distributing sanitary napkins for the girls.

**Annual Sports Day Sponsord by** 

**ING Vysya Foundation** 



For this wonderful Day, SUKRUPA extends heartfelt gratitude to ING VysyaFoundation for sponsoring the programme and bringing smile to all the SUKRUPA children.

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# **January**

## Pongalo!!! Pongal!!



January 13, 2014. All the children of SUKRUPA Education Centre Celebrated the Rituals of the Harvest Festival Pongal | Makara Sankranti by bringing in New Harvests of Ground Nuts, Beans, Sweet Potato and Sugar Cane and Enjoyed The Delicious Pongal Lunch Sponsored by M/s.HealthyAffair.





SUKRUPA Pre-school celebrated its Annual Sports Day on 25th January, 2014 sponsored by ING Vysya Foundation. Ms. Joyatri Ray, Director, ING Vysya Foundation opened the programme that had many fun-filled sporting events stored for these little kids. An enthralling moment for all of us at SUKRUPA to see these kids participate in frog-jumps, lemon and spoon race, book balancing and sack race as their parents cheered them-up all the way.

## March



Annual Sport's Day! The Ganesha ground in R.T Nagar was swarming with activities; the four houses (blue, green,red and yellow) were well-synchronized during their march-past.....

As the Sport's day was declared opened by our trustee Mr. Manu Konchady, the children had their focus to be the first to touch the finishing line, and parents took their seats with the excitement to see their children enjoying and competing. Along-with the children, the parents also participated in few of the games and it was nice to see their excitement.

At the end, after an exhausting yet full-filling day, everyone had a sumptuous meal sponsored by Healthy Affairs and seemed conten



## CRICKET MATCH WITH RAGHU HOSSALI

Mr. Raghu Hosalli celebrated his Birthday with our children on Annual Sports day. It was a friendly match played between Mr. Raghu's team and Mr. Venkatram Reddy's team. The high school children were excited to compete for 10 over match!!



SUKRUPA has been in association with AIF ( America India Foundation ) for the past two years. This program teaches the children to make short films on issues related to our environmnt. They provide us with laptops and camera's to work on the projects. They teach the complete process of making a film. It starts with the story then the story board, the dialogues, the angles to be shot, the shooting and then the editing of the film. This year the children of SUKRUPA have made a couple of short films. The films talk about eating healthy and the importance of trees etc...

**April** 

# **SUMMER CAMP 2014**



# SUMMERCAMP2014

we learn we create we bring the change



Summer camp is a time of fun and frolic for all of us. SUKRUPA made this summer camp a very special one for all the children with fun- filled activities. This summer we conducted life skill programmes for the high school children. These sessions gave a head-start towards strengthening the life skills and preparing them for their future endeavors. This is a continued effort from here-on.

Besides, the children were seen engrossed with other activities that included artwork and craft & sessions on dance and singing. Volunteers from different

companies also participated in the summer camp and made it special for the children.

As a token of appreciation for their active participation and their eagerness to learn, at the end of the camp they were rewarded with various gifts of their choice.

#### **GENERAL ELECTRIC**



Ms. Ami Rajpurkar's email to SUKRUPA gave everyone a reason to smile and celebrate! Their incessant love to our children and their support to SUKRUPA was evident when they donated textbooks and school bags for the entire school - otherwise a challenge that we face every year to ensure every child receives the basic teaching learning material. An add-on to the wonderful event was a lovely day spent by GE volunteers with our kids carrying out various hands-on science experiments. They worked in groups and each one of them had an interesting experiment to present. The kids surely enjoyed to the fullest.......

Our heartfelt thanks to Mrs.AmiRajpurkar, GE USA for GE volunteering initiative and the donation drive towards school bags and textbooks for 400 SUKRUPA Children.



Ethnic Day always brings lot of colour and exuberance and Indeed! Tamil New year was declared as one such day. The children in their ethnic best were seen huddling up and trying to think what act they would perform after Lunch. And yes, Lunch was something that was an unanimous decision of the school for Noodles and Manchurian......

A day of fulfillment just before they got into their exam fever and we are sure such programmes help in taking out their creative side.

#### **HERBALIFE**



Volunteers from Herbalife visited SUKRUPA on 9<sup>th</sup> of April. The volunteers interacted with both primary school and high school kids. After a brief introduction, fun games and entertainment followed suit. The volunteers conducted many interactive activities with the children. Moreover, They took time to speak about their work and different roles essayed by them in the company.

We feel, it is a great way to teach the kids about various career avenues that they can pursue and to induce such thought at a young age is definitely beneficial.

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL RESULT DAY



12th April was a result day for the primary school. The previous day, the teachers were seen busy decorating the classrooms with colorful works done by the kids during summer camp and other workshops. To encourage the children for their hard-work, the rank holders were given prizes as a token of appreciation.

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**LIFE SKILLS** 



This time, we thought of bringing a small change in our Summer Camp compared to the previous years. The kids that we work with are very talented. However, working solely with them doesn't suffice our goal knowing well that, they come from difficult backgrounds. As such, a small module on life skills were taken each day during the camp, to brace them for a life ahead, which will help to induce the much needed determinants of coping with hurdles in the course of reaching their goals. It is a continuous initiative that we thrive to follow.....

## Competitive spirit of



Helped raise Rs. 4,66,142/- for

### SUKRUPA!!

Citizen Commitment Games – India Finals



The India finals of Citizen Commitment Games saw all SG entities in India joining together in Bangalore on 26 April for a grand finale. CCG India Finals saw 30 teams comprising more than 200 members participating across the five sports (Bike Ride, Football, Table Tennis, Relay Race & Petanque). The day saw enthusiastic participation from all teams and great support from more than 100 volunteers who gathered to cheer the teams. More than 500 donors, supporters and volunteers helped make the Games a great success. The teams collected Rs. 466,142/- towards charity was donated to SUKRUPA as funds towards school cost. Five teams (23 participants) who won the finals in their respective games travelled to represent India at the CCG Finals in Paris as well.