



Monthly Newsletter - May 2023



"Transforming Lives of Communities through
Education, Environment and Empowerment Initiatives."

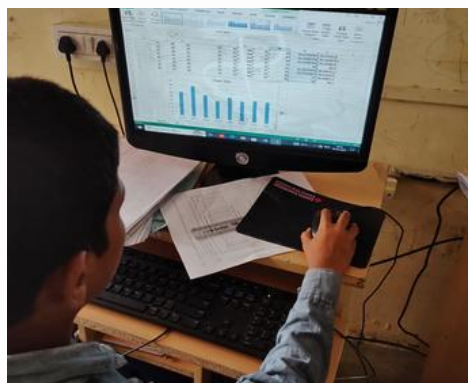
Overview

Cosmo Foundation organized a series of impactful initiatives for students during the summer vacation to empower individuals. CF introduced basic computer courses and advanced skill-building programs, conducted English communication classes, and organized summer camps with fun-filled activities. It conducted scientific experiments, games and storytelling sessions. During this month, Cosmo English Tutor - YouTube channel was launched to provide easy access to learn English fluency from basic to advance for learners belonging to any walks of life.



This time the result on the score board reflects significant improvement achieving fair scoring in English and Computer proficiency. Majority of these students scaled excellent scores. A magical and creative summer camps was organized focusing on the holistic development of children by engaging in fun-based activities. Employees of Cosmo First offered various avenues for students to explore the areas of learnings to pursue and build their careers on the path of education. It has empowered students to excel academically and personally. This will create a lasting impactful transformation in their growth.

Cosmo Foundation organized various events that includes awareness of the environment, conservation on biodiversity, the importance of nurturing plants and being sensitive towards the ecosystem. Under the purview of global and national calendars, CF celebrated Technology Day, Nurse Day and Panchayat Day to foster awareness, knowledge, and a sense of gratitude among the students, enriching their understanding of the world around them.



Education

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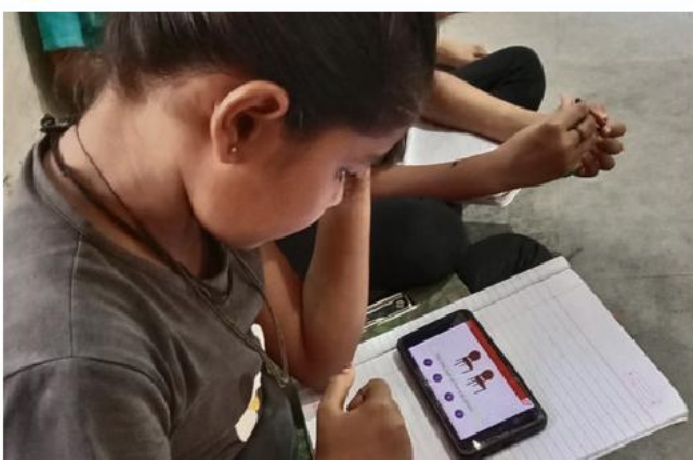
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English Communication Course in Summer Break

**500+
Students**



CF organized comprehensive offline and online classes during the summer vacation, utilizing the e-resource of English Tutor to optimize learning opportunities. **500+ students** from various villages of Karjan and Aurangabad actively participated, covering a wide range of topics including basic English, sentence formation, word construction, grammar, picture reading, story-telling, self-introduction, comprehension etc with activities and games.

Education

Computer Operation Course in Summer Break

1100 +
Students

CF seized the opportunity of the summer break to empower individuals by offering a range of computer courses. The young students participated in a basic computer familiarity course, where they gained essential knowledge about computers, operating systems, digital art, typing, basic Microsoft word. Students honed their skills in MS Office, mastering document formatting, layout and poster design, typing, data entry, table formatting, graphic design, internet browsing, email operations, AI utilization, social media, and e-commerce. **CF computer labs became vibrant hubs of learning and growth for students coming from diverse location.**



Digital Warrior

For the first time, I attended summer computer classes and it transformed my skills, knowledge, speed and attitude.

With personal attention from CF teachers, I learned typing through verbal dictation, designed posters using various software, and mastered data entry in Excel. I even mentored younger students to teach basic MS Office and it sharpened my Windows 11 operating skills too. Thanks CF for bringing these classes to my village.

Yuvraj Makwana
9th Std. Village - Dethan, Karjan





Education

Technology Day

250 +
Students

Under the theme of '**School to Startups – Igniting Young Minds to Innovate,**' Cosmo Foundation ignited the curiosity of children and youth and empower them to embrace the potential of technology. A series of sessions were organized on the importance of technology in daily life and demonstrated how to make optimum use of digital tools. Provided valuable insights on cyber security and safety, and also to stay protected in the digital world. To enhance their practical understanding, CF teachers organized field visits at ATMs and taught how to operate the machines and safe digital transactions. Along with it, sessions on graphic designing, inspiring creativity, adopting technology as a means for career advancement and to acquire proficient skills were conducted.



Exciting Achievements of Cosmo Students in Board Exams

The performance on the part of the students in the board examination was remarkably very heart thrilling and it speaks in volumes. This year **500 high school students** were enrolled in English program amongst which **80%** students passed with distinction. In board exam results, students achieved excellent scores ranging from **70 to 85 marks** in the English subject. CF's English learning module not only strengthens the skill of English of our English trainee teachers but it touched all learners who were on the platform of the English learning program and it transformed the scenario on the landscape of BEP/CLP/CGVK. Highlighting few of the case stories.



Topper in English Subject

In my 9th and 10th class I studied English grammar subjects viz. Comparative & Superlative Degrees, Antonyms & Synonyms and Tenses from Cosmo English Tutor. My basics got cleared after a long break of 2 years due to Covid. I also joined offline and online classes to learn each concept of English thoroughly. In 10th board examinations, I got **88 marks in English subject**, surpassing even my performance in Gujarati, a subject I previously excelled in. This achievement exceeded my own expectations and instilled in me a new fountain of confidence in English. My millions of thanks to Cosmo Foundation for imparting English learning in multiple ways, particularly through simple methods.

- Sohana, 10th Standard student
Bodka village- Karjan



COSMO STARS



Nehal Beldar

Std: 12th, Choranda

Per: **94.04**

English: **83**

Computer: **75**



Pooja Karpe

Police Constable
Rural Maharashtra



Mentored by Senior
Employees of Cosmo First



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Qualified Udayan
Shalini Fellowship



Student of Computer
Literacy Program



Divya Patel

Std: 10th, Pachiyapura

Per: **93.58**

English: **86**



Prit Macchi

Std: 10th, Methi

Per: **76.33**

English: **83**



Sumit Chenva

Std: 10th, Karjan

Per: **88.99**

English: **79**

Computer: **80**



Drashti Parmar

Std: 10th, Kandha

Per: **79.32**

English: **75**



Raksha Vasava

Std: 10th, Handod

Per: **74.21**

English: **60**



Summer Camps

600 + Students

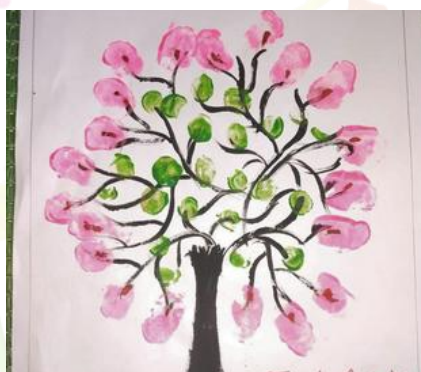


Unleashing Creativity and Experiencing the Magic of Cosmo Summer Camps

These summer camps focused on holistic development of children with socio-economic learning, aesthetic sense, and preserving environment taking initiatives to respect and care for cultural preservation. Rural children were engaged in a variety of exciting activities including art and craft, science experiments, indoor and outdoor games, Fun with English, puppet making, paper bag making, plantation, storytelling, music, painting, village mapping and many more. CF made the best use of the locally available resources and helped rural students to explore their creative potential. **600 + students from 14 villages of Karjan and Gangapur blocks were engaged.**



Balmitras have made this summer camp even more special by organizing various activities like mimicry, games with rhymes, story making, clay art, talking toms etc.





Glimpses of Summer Camps



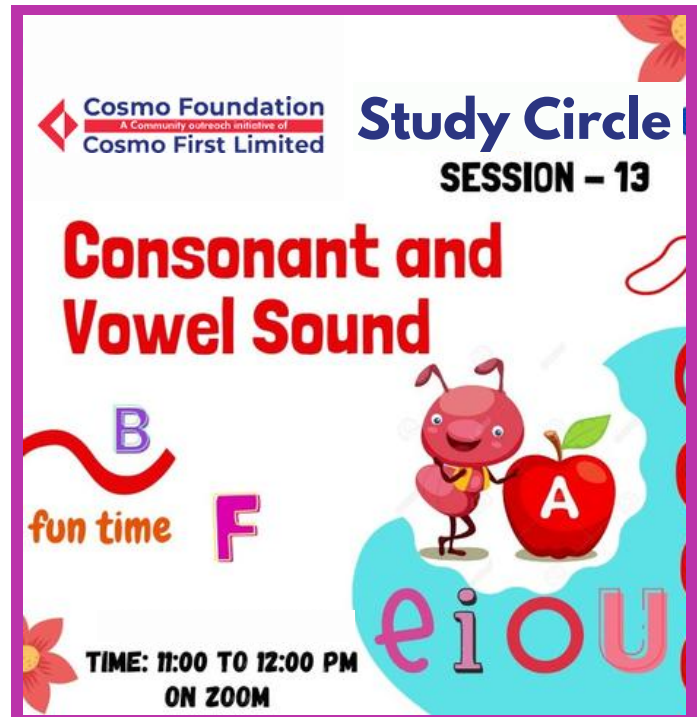
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Capacity Building

Knowledge Building with Cosmo Teachers

Learning is a continuous process and it is a core concern of the Cosmo Foundation. CF organized an internal 'Study Circle Group' for building excellence in Basic English Learning Capsule, Module 1. The session includes basic concepts of English learning, functional grammar, word vocabulary, and inventing various teaching methodologies followed by solving various exercises, quiz and oral assessments. The exchange of ideas, learnings, experiences and thoughts gave an insight to each Balmitra and English teachers in enhancing their skill on subject knowledge.



Proficiency in Native Language with Creative Expression

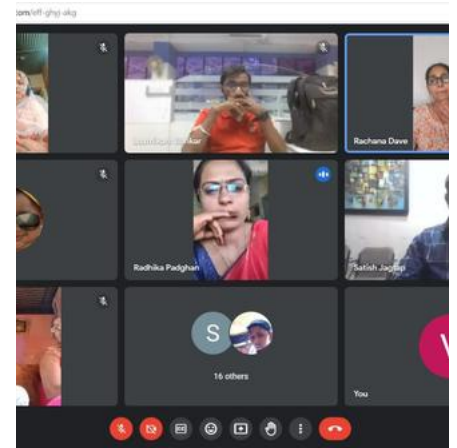
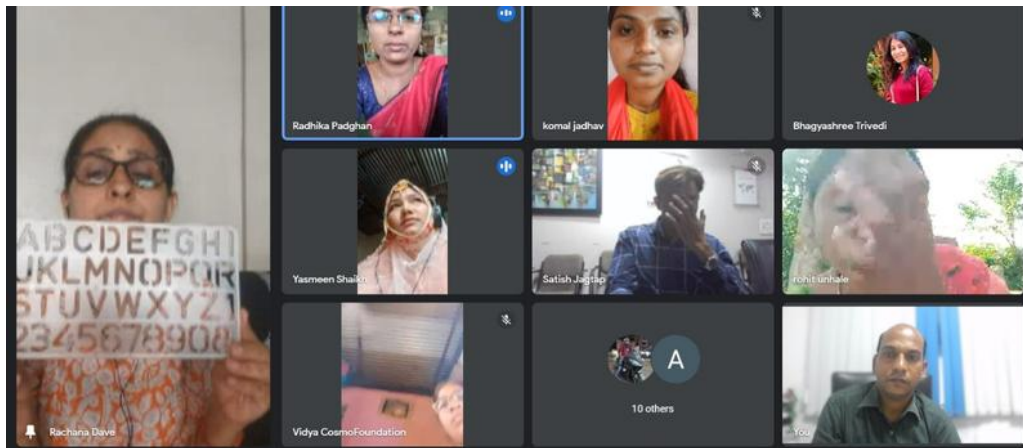
Ms. Rachana Dave, a renowned educator from "Balmurti" e-magazine, conducted a valuable training session for community-based teachers in Karjan. The session focused on the importance of learning Gujarati through poems, role plays, and educational activities. She highlighted the effectiveness of incorporating music, storytelling with actions and expressions, concentration games, memory exercises, puzzles, and picture reading to make language learning more engaging. The training emphasized the role of storytelling in enhancing students' vocabulary, imagination skills, and fostering a love for language. Teachers learned how these interactive elements can make language learning more live and enjoyable.



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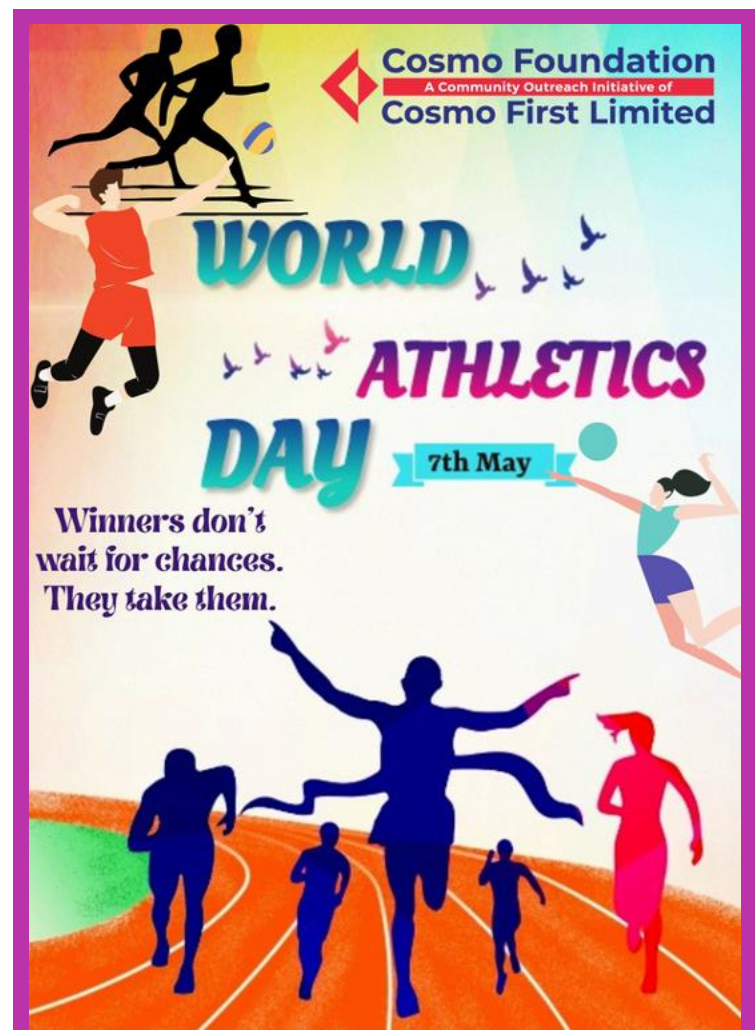
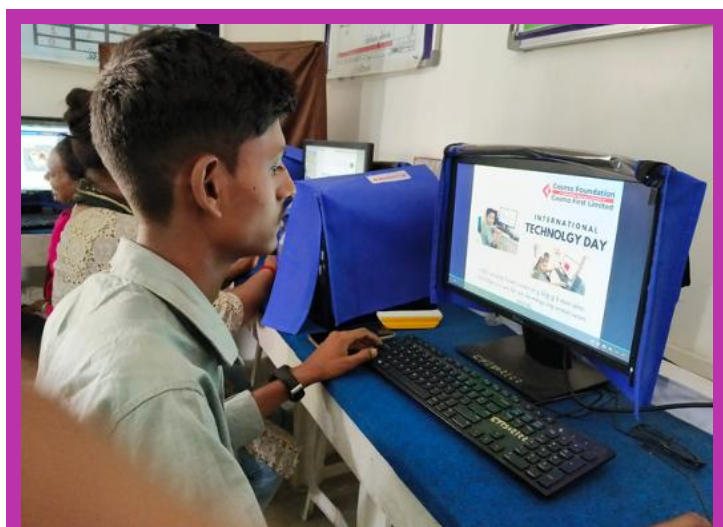
Pre-readiness for Summer Camps

Prior to summer camps, CF organized teachers training on the significance of conducting summer camps. With an aim to incorporate educational elements into fun, interactive, and creative with scientific learning, Ms. Rachana Dave conducted in-depth training to lead holistic development by promoting socio-economic learning, aesthetic sense, creativity, problem-solving and out-of-the-box thinking.



Training on Graphic Design

Using the popular Canvas software, teachers were trained on creative captivating posters, banners, reports and leaflets with effective content and designs. It aimed to unlock their creativity and enhance their ability to produce visually striking educational resources with impactful content writing. Teachers gained valuable skills in layout design, typography, color schemes etc to engage their students with visually appealing materials.



Environment

Cosmo Tree Plantation Drive



With the theme 'From Agreement to Action – Build Back Biodiversity', Cosmo Foundation organized tree plantation activities in collaboration with Prayas Youth Foundation at Shri Ganesh Vidyalay, Gajgaon village – Aurangabad. This drive was graced by Mr. Manohar Mahadik - Retired Forest Officer and highlighted the importance of tree plantation activity as perpetuating an ecosystem not just plantation. He gave insights on importance of nurturing plants, soil conservation, climate regulation, protecting the planet through trees, developing an ecosystem to foster the survival and saving the life of diverse species, etc. CF & Prayas team, rural students, community members, farmers and school teachers actively participated in the event. They planted different varieties of saplings in the school.



Harvesting Success with Scientific Farming Practice

Krushna Desai from Ambelhol village in Aurangabad shares his journey with the support of Cosmo Tree Plantation Drive. With the plantation of 500 sweet lemon saplings over five years, he adopted correct farming practices with care, received assistance and ensured 100% survival of plants. His sweet lemons gained remarkable fruit quality, fetching a good market value. With a harvest of 12 quintals this year, Krushna's income reached 25,000/-. On the eve of bio diversity day, he was felicitated by Cosmo Foundation and Prays Youth Foundation with Sprayer Machine gift for achieving early production through effective agricultural practices. He aims for a 4-lakh income per annum and expresses gratitude to Cosmo Foundation for transforming their lives.

Special Projects



Oral Health = Overall Health



Oral hygiene awareness and dental check-up camp was organized by the Cosmo Foundation, Karjan with the support of K.M. Shah Dental College, Sumandeep Vidyapeeth, Vadodara in Kandha village, Karjan. With the inevitable need for dental treatment, CF organized a camp at the doorstep of the village in primary school. 100+ students and parents were benefitted from dental check-ups and oral health awareness camp. Spot treatment was received by 22 students and 55 parents. Live demonstrative awareness session was conducted on – correct brushing practice, the importance of gargling, and maintaining good oral health.



Games & Sports for Rural Students

Aarav Tapuriah – a young energetic student of 11th class representing Cygnus World School, Vadodara organized a sports day event for rural students of Cosmo Foundation in Kurali village of Karjan. Various outdoor, indoor and digital games viz. cricket, Kabadi, Kho Kho, Typing Competition, Carrom were arranged for students. He explained how physical strength, mental alertness, strategic thinking, and good nutrition are key components for success in sports and staying focused simultaneously in education as well. The students were delighted to learn valuable lessons about spirit of teamwork, perseverance, and healthy habits. All the participants and winners were honoured and rewarded with prizes.



Special Projects

Beyond Business Inspiring Employee Engagement in CSR



As part of the Employee Engagement, the employees of Cosmo First, Karjan took a special visit to the summer camp and computer vacation batch classes. This visit served as an opportunity for them to interact with the students and they actively engaged in the creative activities of the summer camp. The employees shared their valuable knowledge and experiences, inspiring the students to embrace innovative skills and expand their understanding of language and technology during their summer vacation. It was a remarkable display of collaboration and mentorship, sprinkling a lasting impact on the students' educational journey. Alongside, they appreciated Cosmo Foundation's contribution in organizing this camp.

Get involved

Volunteering Opportunity for
Employees of Cosmo First - June 2023

ACTIVITY CALENDAR

5th June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity Plantation drive across the villages
10th June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity Summarising summer camps by showcasing students' activities to parents
12th June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity Awareness program with parents
13th June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity Allocating certificated to students for successfully accomplishing English and computer summer vacation batches
12th,13th,14th June 2023	Location Karjan Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity A grand welcome to the students enrolled in first class across the villages
21st June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject/ Activity Yoga sessions across the villages
26th June 2023	Location Karjan & Aurangabad Time - 9:00 AM To 4:00 PM	Subject / Activity Film screening with students

Aurangabad

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