

**Assisi Asha Niketan
Special School for Mentally Challenged
Lakshmipuram Tiruvur
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INTRODUCTION:

**“Yomam pasyati sarvatra sarvanca mayi pasyati;
Tasyaaham na pranasyami suchamena pranasyathi” -Gita**

**“One who sees in me all creatures and sees all creatures in me,
Is the one who lives in me eternally.”**

“Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.”

Education is a continuous and creative process. Its aim is to develop the total capacities underlying in human nature and to co-ordinate their expression for the enrichment and progress of society, by equipping children with spiritual, moral and

material knowledge. Here the students are dependent on one or another way to someone. The main aim of our special education is to reduce the dependency and promote independence & total development of every individual who step in to this institution

The Academic Year 2020 began with lots of enthusiasm, hopes and regarding the strength of the school. We entrusted our school into the loving hands of the Almighty God.

Staff:

The Assisi family comprises well trained, well experienced, dedicated teaching staff and supporting non teaching Staff including drivers.



We duly appreciate the tremendous co-operation on the part of everyone associated with this institution who strive their best to mould our students to be self supporting independent. Apart from the curricular activities extracurricular activities are also included.

PRESENT STATUS OF THE SCHOOL:

Assisi Asha Niketan Lakshmipuram Tiruvur has completed 13 years of its existence. At present the school has 35 students from four years to the 25 years of age

STATISTICS OF SCHOOL:

STUDENTS' DATA:

CLASS	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
Primary I	5	4	9

Primary II	5	3	8
Pre-vocational	12	6	18
Total	22	14	35

TEACHING STAFF:

SISTERS	WOMEN	MEN	TOTAL
2	1	2	5

NON-TEACHING & CONTINGENT STAFF:

MEN	WOMEN	TOTAL
02	02	4

COVID - 19 INTRODUCTIONS:

Someone has correctly said that “If health is gone everything is gone “Health is wealth and nothing is supreme than what our health stands at the present moment. A healthy person lives more happy and peaceful life than any rich person having a diseased body .There are number of different roots by which a person can be infected with an infectious agents. Infectious diseases are caused by organisms.

Nowadays a new respiratory disease called COVID-19 is spreading across the world.COVID-19 is now a cause of large number of deaths across the world. The symptoms of COVID -19 are fever, dry cough, breathing problem, pains and aches etc...As this COVID-19 spreads mainly by droplets of coughing or sneezing, there is a danger of affecting others through the infected person. We need to protect ourselves by keeping social distance, wearing the mask and using the sanitizer to wash the hand frequently.

FAMILY VISITS:

Teachers visit the families of our beneficiaries every month to meet their needs



during the lockdown. Teachers are taking care of the beneficiaries by distributing the dry rice, oil, sugar, paste, brush, protein powder, biscuits etc. During the family visits we do the counseling with parents how to take care of the children during this lockdown period. Most of the children with disabilities do not know how to take care of themselves and not aware of this covid -19 .So as we visits their families we give awareness about this pandemic and tell them to use the mask always and to sanitize the hands frequently. We are following the guidelines of the local administrations during this covid -19.

DEVELOPMENTAL INFORMATION:



The children with mental retardation need more care and attention especially during this covid -19.because they do not understand social distance and keeping hygienic themselves. Keeping in view of this our staff members taking necessary steps regarding the developmental information of our beneficiaries and helping them to improve the ADL skills and other self help skills. We are taking effort to meet them directly and calling one by one to the school in order to improve the daily activities of their daily life. Most of them

are seen improved well but few of them need to improve in their activities. They are improving with the help of our directions and individual teaching through online activities and direct teaching in the class room. Some of the activities in which they improved are academic skills such as reading and writing, ADL skill training, self help skills and occupational activities. They are taking effort day by day in order to develop in all this activities. Also some of

the activities included use the mask always specially then going out washing hands often with alcohol based soap and water and cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects these activities the children with disabilities are doing regularly the help of special teachers parents and through their siblings they



are improving their health.

TO COUNCIL THE PARENTS:



The PWDs parents are counseled in regular basis through the telephone calls and direct meeting in their house .Some of the counseling tips are based on the self hygiene, how to wear mask ,how to wash the hands frequently by using the sanitizer and the soap, how to keep up the social distance .to eat good food ,proteins and etc..We could suggest parents to take care of beneficiaries as the virus is spreading rapidly. Stay at home and be safe is our main target to help them to protect them from covid -19.Also we could give our suggestion based on their health and covid -19.We could give the suggestions through the phone calls, vedio calls .though some of the beneficiaries do not know to contact through video calls they could at least speak with us through the phone Calls and share the problems that they face at home, different activities the they perform at home and mainly regarding their health. Mainly the counseling tips are helping them how to take care of the beneficiaries to protect from the covid -19.In this way most of the parents are happy in accepting our suggestions and cooperating with our special teachers in regular basis.



HOME BASED PROTOCOL THERAPY:

The special educators are visiting the families of the PWDs directly and gathering the data based on the activities that they perform at home. We help the, guide them and encourage them in order to improve the skills which are in them. Sometimes we also gather their activities through the whatsapp videos and photos etc. We the special educators being in contact with all our beneficiaries get details of the activities that they do at home. Most of the



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parents are responding well. And actively participating in performing the activities such as spine exercises, speech improvement, ADL skills, self hygiene ,self help skill, safety measures, gross motor and fine motor skills, active assisted exercises and passive exercises, house hold work practice, trying to solve behavior problems by talking with parents, walking exercises and standing exercises are some of the therapies which are practiced by beneficiaries in regular basis. We the special teachers are in contact with them regularly to find out how they are doing and suggest them and help them to improve and to do well. They are cooperating well with us and sending the activities which they perform at home regularly. Special educators are also doing well through the online contact and through phone calls.

DISTRIBUTION OF DRY RATION:



During the lockdown period we the special educators visited all the PWDs houses to distribute the dry ration,oil,sugar ,raagi powder,dall,protein powder,boost,biscuits,tooth paste,brush,coconut oil etc..During the lock down we were visiting and distributing the items for each house. The PWDs families are happy in receiving the dry ration, oil, sugar, dall etc.They are very thankful to the National Trust for the great help they bestow on the poor and needy.

MEDICAL HELP:



During this lock down period few of the beneficiaries are helped medically for few months and they got well with medicines which we help them. By the grace of GOD all our beneficiaries are keeping well with good health. Some of the students who received the medical help are V.Prasannakumar, G.Ashwanth, M.Kalyan,

M.Ramudu.These students are helped by us medically. And many others als



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DISTRIBUTION OF MOBILE PHONES AND ONLINE ACTIVITIES:

According to the guidelines for the utilization of arrears of Funds under Disha, Vikaas, Samarth etc...We are following the guidelines of the national trust by making use of the arrear of funds for the use of beneficiaries and other expanses like maintenance of the furniture's. All the beneficiaries belong to BPL group almost thirty persons are provided with a smart phone up to a cost of 8000/- Samsung brand with annual recharge of 2220/-and 2500/-at the time of delivery.We are very proud of this and we are very thankful to NATIONAL TRUST.Due to the great help of the National trust teachers are able to work through online classes to PWDs. Due to this provision of mobile phones most of the beneficiaries became aware about many information concerning them. The list of the beneficiaries who received the mobile phones are preserved in the



Documents.



LOCAL PROJECT COMMITTEE:

The constitution of the Local project Committee was conducted at the time of lock down period especially at the time of distribution of mobile phones to the parents of beneficiaries. There were few of the parents who participated in this meeting. Due to the rapid spread of virus some of the doctors and teachers were unable to come yet we could receive their valuable suggestions for the well being of our beneficiaries.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING ;As part of the transition program,we offer to the students the vocational traing In areas such as candle making and paper plate making etc..

PARENTS MEETING: The parents are having meeting in every three months.10 parents of the PWDs are participating in the online meeting and directly in the school premices.



INSTRUCTIONS AND SUPERVISION:

The classes are regularly visited and supervised by the principal even if no classes are running due to covid 19 sometimes.we give timely instuctions through phone calls and online clases .And we give timely instuctions and guidance to the teachers for how to deal with each student in the class.

INDEPENDENCE DAY &REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS:

The flag was hoisted by Sr.Theresa the principal in the presence of all the students and parents and welwishers .Students were told about the life of our freedom fighters of our country on the independenceday.

SPEECH THERAPY:

Speech therapy is given to the students alternative basis by visiting their homes ane through online basis.

ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION:



Regular assessment is done to the students it is fallowed through the functional assessment checklist for programming accordingly.

CELEBRATIONS:



Christmas and Divali were celebrated in the school.

PHYSIOTHERAPY :

We are providing physiotherapy for the PWDs for part time basis. Due to this therapy the improvement has taken much more in our PWDs.



CONCLUSION:

“Confidence and hard work is the best medicine to kill the disease called failure. It will make you successful person.” **Mahatma Gandhi.**

If we want to reach real peace in this world ,we should start educating children. From the time the lock down started and announced we the teachers are started to do the online classess for the PWDs so that they will not forget the goals that they already reached. And we are ever greatful to the National Trust who provided maximum financial help for the mobile disribution for the development of the PWDs. We are providing essential items like rice,oil,dal,sugar,soaps for our PWDs and other medical help etc are provided.