Manual and Digital Cataloguing witnesses major progress

In order to strengthen the functioning of the library and bring about a systematic organization, the month of January at Haadibadi involved a through process of cataloguing and digitalizing of the books and other resources available in the library. The cataloguing process had been an ongoing project for a long but most of the work was done in the month and from this, it was estimated that almost 4000 books were catalogued this month with the help of several volunteers and members of the library. Ms. Kathyayini and Mr. Sunil Kumar, professional librarians provided valuable suggestions and assisted the participants in making the cataloguing process smoother. Mr. Vinod Rao assisted in the printing of the library paraphernalia like the membership cards, catalog cards, etc. The volunteers who helped in digital cataloguing process were Ms.Fia, Mr. Amit, Ms. Atulya, and Mr. Surya. The process is however, still in progress, with the young members of the Haadibadi Library, willing to lend a helping hand in building in their much-loved space.

An evening with each other

As the long period of lockdown comes to an end and the functioning of the schools begin, Haadibadi Community Library invited all the young members to attend a casual gathering to know about each other's well-being and on how to prepare oneself for the school, with precautionary measures to be taken while going outside. Along with this, the members were also notified about the recommencement of the library post the cataloguing process.

The Saturday Tent

The library resumed post the digital cataloguing process and was filled with various activities with little busy bees ardently participating in every one of them, like the Saturday Tent, Read Aloud Circle, and Play Sunday.

The Saturday Tent, weekly movie screening, was held on ______ (date) and the movie that was screened was 'Epic' (2013), an animated movie in which the adolescent protagonist, Mary Katherine shrinks and is teleported into the microbial world. Here, she learns that there is

so much about the world that she is unaware of. She discovers the interconnections between every living organism and how every life strives to bring about a balance in nature. The young audience were in awe of the fact that such minute lives could bring about a major impact in nature. After the movie, there was a brief discussion reflecting on the movie.

On the last Saturday of January, the movie 'Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron' (2002) was screened. The end of the movie received a huge applause from the young viewers who were amazed by the plot. On being asked about what they learnt from the movie, one of them said that we need to be confident while the other said we shouldn't entertain negative thoughts and most importantly try doing things which seem impossible. Sujatha, a seventh standard member said, "I liked the part where Spirit, the horse, finds another horse, becomes friends with him and both are freed and go to Spirit's homeland. This happy ending made me happy."

Read Aloud Circle

In order to create a basic understanding of the everyday sights of birds, animals, fruits, and vegetables, 'Read-Aloud Circle' sessions were organized on every weekend of the month. This was to encourage the habit of reading corresponding to the visual form of learning that took place in 'The Saturday Tent'. This time, a children's picture book 'Navilura Sante' (ask Pavani for the English translation) was introduced to the young readers. As they looked at the pictures of the farmer's market, they were able to identify the fruits and vegetables, along with other everyday ingredients, which they later wrote the spellings of. Yuvashree, a class seven student, said that reading the names of the pictures loudly helped in better pronunciation and also enhanced the memory.

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