**ANNUAL REPORT FOR LUZ AVENUE BALWADI - 11047, 11048**

**2010 - 2011**

We are happy to share that the Montessori Environment supported by ASHA at the Luz Avenue Balwadi progressed really well this academic year with a lot more children enrolling. The number currently touches 50 children from underprivileged families.

Since June 2010 to April 2011 the children have shown tremendous progress. Children aged about 2 ½ years have completed the Preliminary EPL stage and are showing keen interest in learning the Sensorial exercises. Children aged between 3 and 3 ½ years are showing a keen interest to learn Language and Math Skills.

 We are also providing the children with sweetened groundnut balls during their snack break at 11 AM as many of them have iron and protein deficiency

Nearly 30 Supervisors from ICDS came on 15.2.11 and 16.2.11 to observe if the Montessori Method can be introduced in their centers too.

The comments entered by them in our Visitor’s Book read thus.

“பயிற்சி மிகவும் பயனுள்ளதாக இருந்தது. அனைத்து குழந்தைகளும் நல்ல ஈடுபாட்டுடன் ஆக்டிவிடி செய்தனர். அனைத்து செயல்பாடுகளும் முழுமையாக கிடைத்தது. குழந்தைகள் வயது வித்தியாசம் இன்றி முழுமையாக பங்களித்து ஈடுபட்டனர்”.

(This visit has been very useful We saw how all thechildren irrespective of age were engaged in their chosen activity with full involvement  and derived full benefit from the same)

Also on 1.3.2011 nearly 40 Central Development Project Officers CDPO from all over Tamil Nadu came to our center to observe the functioning of the Montessori Methodology. They were very impressed with the way our children worked, as evidenced by the comments they left behind in our Visitor’s Book.

“மையம் மிகவும் சிறப்பாக செயல்படுகிறது. குழந்தைகளின் செயல்பாடு மிகவும் பராட்டும்படி உள்ளது. இவ்வாறு கற்பிக்கும் முறை குழந்தைகளின் எதிர்காலத்திற்கு மிகவும் பயனுள்ளதாக அமையும். ”இன்றைய குழந்தைகள் எதிர்கால சான்றுகள்”. நமது முன்னாள் ஜனாதிபதி அப்துல் கலாம் அவ்ரகளின் கனவு நினைவாகவும் இம்மையம் குழந்தைகள் உதாரணமாக கூறலாம். வாழ்த்துக்கள்”.

(This centre is doing Excellent work.The children’s activities are remarkable.This traning will be useful to them for their future.The dream of our former President Abdul Kalam will be fulfilled by these children)

Students  doing  Montessori  training  also came for observation .and have given very favourable reports

As usual the feedbacks from the parents of our children are extremely gratifying. They constantly tell us how responsible their children have turned out to be, keeping back things where they belong and developing several good habits like ‘speaking softly, washing hands before eating any food’ etc. The parents inform us with great wonder that these children attending our environment are far more knowledgeable  than their older siblings!We are thinking of  conducting classes for them also during this vacation.We wish to introduce the game of chess to them as it will help brain development

“The greatest sign of success for a teacher... is to be able to say, "The children are now working as if I did not exist."” - Maria Montessori