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The Principal's Desk

HMMCW is happy to introduce you to the new version of its newsletter. This issue of the newsletter is special because the collage is celebrating 60th years since it was first established. We have the usual general 'light' roundup of news followed by the more serious academic and cultural issues. In this coverage, we will introduce you with the vision of the college, as well as its journey for attaining something more precious in societal life. We will round off with some interesting articles and the usual competition. As ever, we hope you will enjoy reading the newsletter and if you need further information on anything in this newsletter or indeed, you have a general question, we would love to hear from you.

HMMCW is marked for a passion for academic excellence, an abiding commitment to improve

the quality of life in society, zeal to train teachers capable of responding to the changing needs of the modern society and be creative, committed and compassionate.

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works as a dynamic agent of social change by being open to contribute to the development of its students, as well as the neighboring community.

HMMCW undertakes all its activities to the offer enriching and innovative learning experiences to aspiring students, to make teaching learning an enjoyable experience, to ensure that they serve as agents of continuous improvement and change, to enable the students to realize their full potential, to encourage and promote commitment, dedication and service to their community and at the same time to extend the frontiers of knowledge through educational programs and publications.

The college aims at the integral formation of young women so that they become creative, confident, committed and compassionate commitment. The college, therefore, offers an all-round teaching learning programme that is at once intellectual, cultural, social, emotional, physical, aesthetic, moral and spiritual. In addition to the above goals, the college aims to develop in them the required skills for using information technology and innovative practices. Further, it fosters an atmosphere of intellectual vigour and moral rectitude in which the young women of our country may find their fulfillment and achieve greatness as eminent women themselves and for others.

It does admit students irrespective of their caste and creed. The college aims at training young women of quality to be leaders in all walks of life and serve their fellowmen with justice, truth and love. It is expected that this training would play a vital role in bringing about the desired change for the betterment of the people of our country, more particularly the poorer and marginalized sections of the society and especially the minority and the marginalized.

College hosts 1- Day National Seminar on "Ethical Issues in Research" in association with IQAC and IARA.

Our college was the proud host to the dignitaries from different colleges on 6th May 2019- 1 vice Principal, various people from higher education and a Rashtrapati Award Winning Headmaster under the same roof. Titled "Ethical Issues in Research" the 1 day National Seminar saw many acade-

micians and Professors presenting their papers on ethical Research Practices. Special mention may be made of IARA (Indian Academic Researchers' Association) General Secre-

tary Dr. Pranam Dhar who completed all the formalities in a very little time. He, along with Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh was one of the Resource persons along with other dignitaries. Both of them received Lifetime Achievement

Dr. Partha Kar-makar, Dr. Monojit Roy, Dr. Vivekananda Chakraborty, our Special Guest of Honour and Rashtrapati Award Winner, Midnapore Heritage Town School, Mr. Subrata Biswas, Dr. J.N. Sengupta, Dr. Susanta Pod-

chowdhury, Mr. Bidhan Baidya, Mr. Pritam Dhara, Mr. Sayan Basu, Mr. Sayan Banerjee, Maruf, Ayasha Dutta and all the delegates, researchers and participants. Gratitude to Dr. Soma Ghosh, Hon'ble Principal, HMMCW,

for successful hostage and academic support. The most unique ethical part is that it revealed that a National-seminar with 15 resource persons could be organised with only Rs. 5000/- as all the resource persons forgoed their honorarium and conveyance for a social cause. Hat's off to IARA WB for being the pace setter.



Awards from IARA. Special thanks also to Prof. Manjusha Tarafdar, Hon'ble VC and Dr. Paramasiwan, All-India President, IARA, for inspiring. Thanks to all the resource persons

dar, Prof. Anupam Pariari, Dr. Sujata Mukhopadhyay, Dr. Moumita Poddar, Dr. Sarada Ghosh, Mr. Kallol Saha, Subhadeep Dutta, Mr. Mijarul Islam, Ms. Suchetana Dey, Mr. Soham Roy-

College stands beside Slum Dwellers devastated by Fire

NSS unit along with Social Outreach Cell of our college and Students Union of Hiralal Mazumdar College distributed necessity items for the slum dwellers of Nibedita Colony and its adjoining areas that was devastated by fire some days ago. Number of NSS volunteers present 35



Teachers and non-teaching were around 30. Councillor Shankari Bhowmick of Ward no.14 was present to lend her support to the noble cause. Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh addressed the program and promised all help to the fire victims including introducing the children to New Learners Corner, Drawing club etc. Number of NSS volunteers present 35. Teachers and non-teaching were around 30.

Free eye- Check up Camp for College Students and Nibedita Colony: Distribution of Necessity items for the Fire-distressed

A 2- day free eye camp was held at HMM College for Women on 17th and 18th April 2019. On the first day the students of the college along with the non-teaching staff got their eyes checked. Our associate partner was Susrut Foundation. On day 2 the dwellers of Nibedita Colony, the adopted slum of the college got their eyes checked. It was proposed that free cataract operation

and glasses would be given to the needy. After this, our Principal



madam Dr. Soma Ghosh along with other teachers distributed necessary utensils to the devastated slum dwellers whose shanties got burnt down recently due to the huge fire that broke out near Nibedita Colony and its adjacent areas. The Program was arranged by NSS, Health Cell and Social Outreach Cell and Students' Union of the college.

Social Outreach goes to meet Children of Orphan India

A Social Outreach Cell, HMM CW went to Apongchor an orphanage near Dunlop on its anniversary to meet the underprivileged children. Their smile spoke lots as the student volunteers of our college cut the anniversary cake with them, and also distributed chocolates, biscuits, sweets and stationary. Our students said they learnt resilience, and responsibility in their company.

HMM College Celebrates Annual Sports Day!!

The Annual College Sports Day was held by Hiralal Mazumdar Memorial College for Women, Dakshineswar on 24th January 2019 at the Bharati Bhavan School playground. Sri Saugata Roy, Honorable MP, Sri Madan Mitra, President of the college, Councillor Smt. Sankari Bhowmick, Matajis of Rasik Bhita were present to cheer the contestants. Sri Roy applauded the positive approach and leadership quality of Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh in promoting sports consciousness among girl students. Specific events were also held for children of Bharati Bhavan School. The events in which contestants gave their names included 100 metres race, relay race, Musical chair, Balance

race, 3-legged race, hit the pot, shot put, discuss throw etc. There were also events specifically for the teaching as well as non-teaching department like hit the wicket, musical chair etc. Most students did extremely well. Saraswati Soren received the All Rounder Trophy for Sports person of the Year. An added attraction to the Annual Sports event was the participation of the underprivileged children of Nibedita Colony, the adopted slum of the college. Under the banner of the NSS, these children won prizes in the 100-metre race as well as the balance race. The day started with the march past organized by the NCC cadets of the college. This was followed by the

inauguration by our Principal madam Dr. Soma Ghosh along with Prof. Saugata Roy, Honourable MP. The sports day event was flagged off after which events started unfolding one by one. Post lunch, Sri Madan Mitra, honourable President



of the college spoke a few words of encouragement to the participants, the Principal as well as the teachers of the college. This was followed by the events for the teaching as well as non-teaching staff. Lastly, the Prize distribution was organised.

College Celebrates Netaji Birthday on 23rd January

NSS unit of Hiralal College, Dakshineswar celebrated Netaji's birthday on 23rd January. The programme started off with the Grand Salute by the NCC cadets, followed by flag hoisting by

Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh along with councillor Smt. Shankari Bhowmick.



After a r-landing a n d paying tribute t o Netaji, s h e spoke largely about

Netaji's contribution to the nationalistic movement of India and how his ideals must be imbibed by one and all in the present times. The children of Nibedita colony under the banner of NSS also paid their tribute to Netaji with flowers. This was followed by a cultural programme with dance recital done by Joyita Biswas of Journalism dept, a ghazal recital by Rukhsar begum of Urdu dept, yoga by NSS volunteers, as well as the NSS song.

College Celebrates Republic Day on 26th January

The staff and Students of HMM College for Women, Dakshineswar celebrated 70th Republic day of India on 26th morning in the college premises. About 20 NCC Cadets along with 33 students and NSS volunteers participated actively in the program. The day began with the beautiful Nazm of Rukhsar Begam from the Urdu Dept, followed by the introduction by NCC Nodal Officer followed by unfurling of the National Flag and garlanding the picture of Netaji Subhas Ch. Bose by our Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh. She also gave a speech on the importance of Republic day. This was followed by

NCC song performed by the cadets. After this Sunita Maity, cultural secretary of the Students' Union gave her speech. Students from various departments of the college performed a patriotic group song from the film Raazi. A solo song was performed by our music teacher Sri Chandan kr. Roy. Last but not the least, a group song 'saare jahan se accha' was sung by everyone.



National Day for the Disabled Observed by NSS

National Day for the Disabled was observed on 3rd December by the NSS Unit of HMMCW. An awareness rally was taken out from the college to Nibedita Colony, our adopted slum too spread awareness among the slum dwellers. There are a number of disabled children as well as senior citizens in the said colony. Students and volunteers made placards and posters and hosted the rally, which received a huge response.

Excursion of Dept. of Education

The department of Education, HMM College for Women made a visit to Varanasi (also known as Benaras city on the banks of the River Ganga, in UP) for educational excursion from 9th Nov - 14th Nov. A total of 16 students and 3 teachers were involved in this trip. The main objectives for this trip were to provide the students with an opportunity to develop communication skills, for effective participation in society, and also to contribute to the betterment of the individual. Benaras is a place where history rules. A city which has history in its entire color.

Excursion at Benaras

The teachers and the guide enriched the team with facts and valuable knowledge of that very place. The team visited Benaras Hindu University, Ramnagar Fort, Dasaswamedh Ghat, and Saranath Temple.

Thalassemia Screening And Awareness Camp

Thalassemia Awareness and Screening Camp was undertaken by NSS Unit HMM College on 4th December 2018, in themselves screened. It is a matter of great pride that the college has been able to encourage more and more girl students to association with School of Tropical Medicine. The number of screenings done was 124 and number of NSS volunteers present was 40. Like last year this year too we have a huge number of students waiting in queues to get



come up and fight against the growing menace of thalassemia from our society.

NSS volunteers Meet Children from Offer India on World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day observed by NSS volunteers along with all students and staff on 1st December 2018. A poster competition was held followed by an essay competition. These were later judged by our teachers Dr. Rupa Sen, Dr. Lipika Mullick, Dr. Dilip Panda, Ms. Tanaya Ray, Sri Dibakanta Jha of Sanskrit Dept as well as Dr. Dilip Panda, Ms. Rajasree Chakraborty of Psychology, Anindya Sundar Bhuiyan of Zoology dept spoke on AIDS

Awareness among the students. Later in the day, NSS volunteers Mrityika Sinha and Joyita Biswas along with NSS PO Dr. Sujata Mukhopadhyay attended the AIDS Day Programme organized by Anandaghar, an NGO giving support to HIV/AIDS children. The venue was Acropolis Mall and was attended by celebrities like Agnimitra Paul.

College Announces 3 day Cleaning camp at premises, Nibedita Colony with help of NSS volunteers.

As part of NSS' Regular activities, our principal madam Dr. Soma Ghosh lays great stress on keeping the vicinity of the college as well as the campus clean. Keeping this in mind, NSS unit HMM College dakshineswar carried a massive 3 day cleaning program, 2 days at the college and 1 day at

Nibedita Colony. On day one NSS volunteers cleaned the corridors and doors of the New Building, on day 2 they cleaned the museum and the playground, and on day 3 they went to Nibedita Colony and sprinkled bleaching powder in the drains, cleaned up the bathrooms by using acid and



phenyle, as well as made an awareness rally to make the slum dwellers understand the dangers of having waterlogged drains. Carbolic acid, and pest repellent was applied in front of the households.

Dengue Awareness and Cleaning Camp Held at Nibedita Colony

NSS HMMCW unit organized a Dengue awareness and cleaning camp was held at Nibedita colony on 30th November 2018. Recent media reports that the chronic spread of dengue in the city as has reached a dangerous limit. This is particularly so in the urban slums which do not have proper drainage sys-



tem and are hence prone to these diseases the most. Bleaching powder was sprayed in the open drains and puddled waters, chemicals and pesticides were sprinkled on the trees, and bathrooms were cleaned with phenyle. With the help of the slum dwellers the NSS volunteers were able to create awareness of keeping the vicinity clean. Dr. indrajit Biswas of Zoology dept spoke to the women on the perils of dengue and how to fight against it. The unit was also joined by the Urdu dept under the leadership of Fatma madam.

Urdu Department Bags Award at 12th All India Urdu Book Fair

The Urdu students of our college are always enthusiastic to explore newer horizons. Under the leadership of Fatma madam, they have scaled newer heights. Not only in NSS and Social Outreach activities, the students of Urdu department have done well in the 12th All India Urdu Book Fair. Rukhsar Begam has got 1st prize for her recitation.

National Constitution Day Celebrated in College

Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Divas is celebrated in India on 26th November every year to commemorate the adoption of Constitution of India, to spread the importance of the constitution and the thoughts and ideas of BR Ambedkar. Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh while hoisting the National Flag, said that on 26th November 1949, the constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India and it came into force on 26th January, 1950. As part of the celebrations, most schools and colleges read out the Preamble.

Saraswat Charcha Chakra flags off its 2nd interactive students Debate

Like its predecessor, the 2nd Saraswat Charchakendra was all applause for the students of different departments who came together to a debate competition on the topic (to be added from RS). Saraswat Charchakendra is the pride of our college as it



gives a platform to both teachers and students to speak on various topics. Last time, there was a seminar lecture by different teachers of the college. This time, it was the students who were well prepared and articulate in speaking for as well as against the motion. Rukhsar begam of Urdu dept (other names to be added) and others won great applause for speaking.

Social Outreach Cell Reaches out to save undernourished children at Nibedita Colony

Social Outreach Cell of the college under the instruction of the Principal went out to render all kinds of help for the ailing baby of Puja Das aged 19, who has been deserted by her husband is living alone with her 2 children aged 2 years and 3 months respectively. She has been surviving

barely on the help rendered to her by the locals. The college students went and gave baby milk powder to feed the little baby. Not only this, the younger child who is suffering from a severe case of scabies was referred to a doctor and medicines were brought.



Beti padhao Beti Bachao: NSS campaigns for girl child

A noble concept by the Indian government as well as the Kanyasree project of the State govt, NSS and NCC units of the college arranged a session by the Matajis of

Rasik Bhatta. Number of volunteers present was 56. Principal Dr. Soma Ghosh, Placement Officer Career Counselling Cell Sri Pradipta Mukherjee, and NSS Program Officer Dr. Sujata Mukhopadhyay, Ms. Mumun Kundu of NCC were present.



Inauguration of Center for Interdisciplinary Studies

Women's Commission, govt of West Bengal Visits Nibedita Colony

Representatives from the Women's Commission represented by June Maliah and Soumitra Roy from Bhoomi came to visit the Nibedita Colony slum adopted by the NSS unit of HMMCW. The earlier brainchild of Dr. Lipika



Mullick, all the children spent a galan. time with these celebrities who sang different songs for the children. The commission gave good report about the work being done and pledged to support the cause of the women and children in future.