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INSPIRE & IGNITE: FROM THOUGHT TO ACTION

MES' Pillai College of Education and Research, New Panvel, organized a



series of insightful seminars to enrich student teachers' understanding of current educational and environmental issues. The **Environmental Reengineering Series 13 – MISSION LiFE** (11th – 16th December 2025) focused on sustainable living and climate action. The seminar on **Holistic and**

Multidisciplinary Education (7th February) emphasized inclusive and equitable learning pathways for all. The seminar on **AI and Alpha Generation** (14th February) explored bridging the digital divide through technology integration.

TEACHING WITH CONFIDENCE: SENIORS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



From 8th January 2025- 12th January 2025, S.Y. B.Ed. students of MES' Pillai College of



Education and Research, New Panvel, showcased exemplary teaching skills through demo lessons to guide and inspire F.Y. B.Ed. student

teachers. The sessions offered valuable insights into effective lesson planning, innovative teaching strategies, and classroom management, setting a strong foundation for the freshers' teaching journey.

INSPIRING MINDS, EMPOWERING ACTION



Mahatma Gandhi believed that "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." Inspired by this noble thought, Community Service Day was observed on 25th January, 2025 with a spirit of compassion and commitment. Community Service Day is celebrated

every year by the Pillai Group of Institution. This year PCER, Panvel invited children from Immanuel Mercy Home

Ashram to celebrate the day. Various games and other activities were arranged by the teachers and volunteers, which the children really enjoyed.



UBER RANG: SPREADING JOY THROUGH SERVICE AND SOLIDARITY

Uber Rang is an annual inter-institutional competition organized by Mahatma Education Society. Students from different institutions



under MES showcase their unique talent. It is an evening filled with enthusiasm and competitive spirit.

Our students presented the famous Theyyam folk dance of Kerala.

REBOOT THE PLANET

E-Waste & Plastic Drive for a Sustainable Future

A monthly Plastic and E-Waste Collection Drive is organized under the guidance of Dr. Geeta Thakur. The initiative is aimed to promote the principles of Reduce-Reuse Recycle, encouraging effective waste management and disposal while raising awareness about pollution and global warming.



EXTENSION ACTIVITY: UDAAN: THE FLIGHT OF EXTENSION

DLLE students enthusiastically participated in the Udaan Festival held on 27th January 2025, organized by Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil College, Vashi. Accompanied by their extension teacher, Mrs. Bhanu Yadav, the students showcased their talents across various events including street play, poster making, creative writing, and elocution. Notably, Alan secured the second prize in the elocution competition. The Udaan Festival offered the students a rich learning



experience, enhancing their creative expression, teamwork, and public speaking skills while significantly boosting their confidence and communication abilities.

LEARNING BY DOING: AN EXPERIENTIAL JOURNEY

As a part of experiential learning, students participated in Role Play and Group Song Activity on 28th January, 2025 on the theme of women empowerment.



Student teachers enthusiastically portrayed Entrepreneurs, Historians, Freedom Fighters, and Educators through powerful role plays. This was

followed by a spirited Group Song competition featuring patriotic songs like "Dil Hai Hindustani" and "Jai Ho." The event fostered creativity, teamwork, and national pride, and was appreciated for its energy and student participation.



EXPLORING EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE: VISIT TO ITEACH SCHOOL

As a part of their experiential learning journey, student teachers visited NMMC iTech School, Airoli to observe and understand innovative teaching practices in action on 12th January, 2025. Student teachers gained valuable



insights into innovative teaching practices and school functioning during their visit to NMMC iTech School, enhancing their understanding of real-world classroom dynamics.

POETRY IN MOTION: A CELEBRATION OF EXPRESSION AND EMOTION

The Poetry Recitation Competition held on 21st March 2025 was a vibrant display of students' creativity and expressive talent. Participants brought their poems to life with heartfelt passion and emotion, captivating the audience. The event beautifully highlighted poetry's ability to connect

people, inspire thought, and stir deep emotions, leaving a lasting impact on all who attended..



TURNING PAGES, SHARING PERSPECTIVES: BOOK REVIEW ACTIVITY



From 5th to 15th February, Book Reviews were conducted to encourage critical thinking, reading habits, and reflective analysis among student teachers. It is a part of the Ability course:

Reading and Reflecting on Text. Student teachers shared insightful reviews, deepening their understanding of diverse genres and themes.



HONOURING WOMEN: A CELEBRATION OF STRENGTH, RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERMENT



On 3rd March 2025, at the Dr. K.M. Vasudevan Pillai Campus, Panvel, student teachers of PCER,

Panvel celebrated Women's Day with an inspiring session by Ms. Honey Thaljieh, co-founder and first captain of the Palestinian Women's National Football Team. Her powerful journey of resilience, peace-building through sports, and her advocacy for

women development left the audience deeply moved and motivated.

Women's Indoor Box Cricket Tournament was also organized. The tournament saw enthusiastic participation from all the teachers who played with great energy and team spirit.



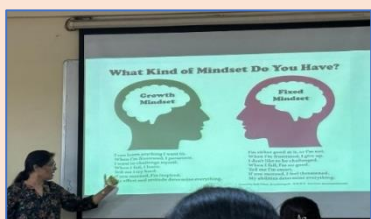
COMMUNITY SERVICE

As part of the community service programme, student teachers visited Dr. N.M. Jadhav Home for the Mentally Challenged, Panvel and Sopan Shanay Autism Centre, where they assisted in classroom tasks, vocational training, and



Annual Day preparations. These experiences sensitized the student teachers towards CWSN. Their special needs, IEPs, and importance of empathy, patience, and inclusion.

SKILL ENRICHMENT INITIATIVES: VACC FOR HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT



To foster essential soft skills and professional readiness, VACC courses on Self-Enhancement and Interview Etiquettes were introduced to help student teachers

develop confidence, effective communication, and presentability. The VACC on Thinking and Reasoning course further aimed at enhancing their

critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making abilities.

MATHEMATICS IN ACTION: A GLOBAL CELEBRATION OF LEARNING



Mental Maths Competition was held on 26th March, 2025 to test participants' quick-thinking and calculation

abilities. Contestants competed by solving a series of challenging mathematical problems without external

aids, demonstrating their mental agility and problem-solving skills. The competition

highlighted the fun and importance of developing mental math proficiency.



SPARKING CREATIVITY, SAVING SPARROWS: ECO-FRIENDLY CRAFT ACTIVITY



On 20th March 2025, Nature Club of MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, New Panvel, celebrated World Sparrow Day with

"Best Out of Waste: Sparrow Shelter Making"

activity. Students creatively reused recycled materials to build sparrow shelters, promoting environmental awareness and the importance of biodiversity conservation.



SEMESTER 2 INTERNSHIP: EMBRACING INNOVATIVE TEACHING

The Semester 2 internship commenced on 8th April 2025 in schools such as Presentation Convent, Mahatma International School, Empyrean, and New Horizon Public School. During this period, student-teachers explored innovative teaching methodologies and actively



engaged learners through creative strategies like the 7E model, storytelling, and hands-on activities, thereby enriching the overall classroom experience.

INSIGHTFUL PANEL DISCUSSION ON EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION IN INDIA



A panel discussion on *Educational Administration in India* was conducted under the guidance of Asst. Prof. Mrs.

Bhanu Yadav, where student-teachers actively explored key aspects through group presentations on different educational boards in India



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