# Shristi Special Academy®

Engage Enable Empower Persons with Disabilities and Carers

# **Annual Report 2023-24**

- **3**<sup>rd</sup> **June, 2023** 40, Volunteers from Accenture visited Shristi as Part of their CSR activity. They organized some games, fun activities, and cultural events for the students.
- **5**<sup>th</sup> **June, 2023** Celebrated World Environment Day at Shristi. The event started with an Awareness walk from Channenahalli Bus stand to Shristi Campus. We donated some saplings to local villagers. 50 students and 6 team members attended the same.
- **18**<sup>th</sup> **June 2023** 4 PWDs and 4 carers attended a cultural event organized by Mithra for Life at Cubbon Park
- 21st June, 2023- International Yoga Day was celebrated at Shristi. 18 students participated
- 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2023- Participated in International Yoga Day organized by NIEPED (National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities) at Secunderabad. 6 students participated along with 1 yoga trainer and 2 Carers and 1 sibling
- 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2023- 8 students and 3 team members participated in an event at St. John's Auditorium in the memory of Dr. Ashok. Our students performed a group dance.
- **7**<sup>th</sup> **July, 2023** 40 volunteers from IQVIA visited Shristi for the purpose of Day of Service. Organized some games for students.
- 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2023- Dr. Adarsh and Dr. Nirmala, Pediatricians from RRMCH visited Shristi.
- **29**<sup>th</sup> **July, 2023** 18 PWDs, 2 Carers and 4 Team members participated in Eco Therapy at Cubbon Park organized by Bengaluru Environment Trust.
- 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2023- 20 students with Autism, 7 Carers and 4 Team members visited IME- Indian Musical Experience at JP Nagar.
- **10**<sup>th</sup> **August, 2023** 76 students, 3 carers and 23 team members visited Flower show at Lalbagh on Independence Day.
- **19**<sup>th</sup> **August, 2023** 150 students and 8 teachers from Government school Channenahalli and Jattipalya, visited Shristi as part of the celebration of Bag less Day.
- **24**<sup>th</sup> **August, 2023** Mr. Anil Patil, Founder-Executive Director, Carers Worldwide, UK visited Shristi.
- **28**<sup>th</sup> **August, 2023** 7 Students of Architecture from Dayanand Sagar Institution visited Shristi as part of their community services.
- 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023- Teachers Day celebration at Shristi.
- 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2023- 5 Volunteers from OWC visited Shristi.
- 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2023- Krishna Janmashtami celebrated at Shristi.
- **9**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2023** 22 PWDs and 6 team members participated in Mithra Habba organized by Mithra Foundation
- **12**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2023** 78 students, 6 carers, 39 Team Members participated in Music Concert by Mrs. M. D Pallavi, organized by Bhumija Trust
- 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2023- Ganesha festival celebrated at Shristi.
- 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2023- Mr. Lakshmikanth, Principal, and a staff from Soundarya School, Nelamangala visited Shristi.
- 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2023- 19 PWDs, 10 team members, 14 carers visited TRDC (Tirumala Rural Development Centre) at Jakkasandra, as part of the exposure visit, learn about Poultry form and Dairy, Gardening, residential set up for PWDs etc.
- 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2023- 2 visitors from Shantiniketan school visited Shristi

- **18**<sup>th</sup> **October, 2023** Organized a Dental camp in collaboration with Dayanand Sagar Dental College and Hospital at Shristi. 50 PWDs, 9 parents, 20 team members benefitted.
- 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2023- Carers Day was celebrated at Shristi.
- **20**<sup>th</sup> **October, 2023-** Ms. Michelle and Ms. Maria from Carers Worldwide visited Shristi. Ayudha pooja celebrated
- **3**<sup>rd</sup> **November, 2023** Medical Camp was organized at Shristi in collaboration with RRMCH for students of below 16 years of age.
- 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2023- 15 PWDs, 12 Team Members participated in Sports organized by ASHA at Basaveshwaranagar, Bengaluru.
- 4<sup>th</sup> **November, 2023** Volunteers from Accenture visited Shristi, organized some games and fun activities to the students.
- 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023- 154 nursing students from M. S Ramaiah College visited Shristi as part of their community service.
- **17**<sup>th</sup> **November, 2023** International Cerebral Palsy Day and Children's Day was celebrated at Shristi in collaboration with Acharya's NR College of Physiotherapy.
- **21**<sup>st</sup> **November, 2023** 29 PWDs, 14 Carers, 8 Team Members visited Yana enterprises to observe a handloom set up.
- **28**<sup>th</sup> **November, 2023** 24 PWDs and 6 Team Members Participated in Sports Day organized by Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, GoK on the occasion of International Day of Persons with Disabilities.
- **28**<sup>th</sup> **to 30**<sup>th</sup> **November-** 150 students from MS Ramaiah Nursing College visited Shristi as part of their community services.
- **1**<sup>st</sup> **December, 2023-** Pediatric Medical Camp organized at Shristi by RRMCH for below 16 years of age.
- 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023- 24 Carers and 1 Team member from Asha Special School visited Shristi to learn about Vocational Training.
- **2**<sup>nd</sup> **December, 2023-** 110 students from Sri Vagdevi Vidya Kendra visited Shristi as part of the Inclusion Program.
- **3**<sup>rd</sup> **December, 2023** 30 students and 16 team members participated in celebration of International Day of Persons with Disabilities at Kanteerava Stadium.
- **7**<sup>th</sup> **December, 2023** 30 Nursing students from Bright College visited Shristi as part of their community services.
- 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2023- 19 volunteers from Accenture visited Shristi, organized fun activities for children.
- 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2023- 3 visitors from Jain Art and Design College visited Shristi.
- **11**<sup>th</sup> **and 14**<sup>th</sup> **December, 2023** 100 students from Acharya College of Graduate Studies visited Shristi as part of their educational visit.
- **21**<sup>st</sup> **December, 2023** 33 Students, 2 Carers, 10 Team Members visited Dharithri School to learn about Vocational Training set up.
- 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2024- 30 Students participated in various cultural competition like Music, dance, yoga, art, fashion show Kalaangana, organized by IRC, Bengaluru. Won 14 Prizes, 1 Award to School, 1 award to Best Special Educator, 1 Award to Best Care Giver and award to the best student.
- 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2024- Organized a follow up, screening and assessment camp at Pavagada in collaboration with Narendra Foundation. Total 3 new cases assessed and 9 re assessment, 10 Psychological assessments completed.

- **31**<sup>st</sup> January, **2024** 19 Students, 7 Carers and 10 Team Members visited Seva -in- Action to learn more about Vocational Training and Placements and also Self Advocacy.
- **8**<sup>th</sup> **January, 2024-** 20 Carers and 18 Staff visited Nav Prabhuthi Trust, and ASHA special school to learn more about their work and services.
- **22**<sup>nd</sup> **February, 2024-** Day outing for 83 PWDs, 5 Carers and 36 Team members were taken to Ruppi's Resorts for annual picnic. All PWDs enjoyed at resorts.
- **24**<sup>th</sup> **February, 2024-** 20 PWDs and 19 Staff visited Indian Music Experience to learn about benefits of Musical Instruments.
- 9th March, 2024- Women's Day celebrated at Shristi.
- 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024- On occasion of Women's Day, all 45 Mother Carers and 5 team members were taken to Ruppi's Resorts. Mothers enjoyed a lot at Resorts
- **23**<sup>rd</sup> **March, 2024**-39 Students and 4 staff from Swargarani school, Raja Rajeswari Nagar visited Shristi as part of Inclusion Program.

### **Running Programs:**

- **2**<sup>nd</sup> **July, 2023** 19 students, 9 team members and 4 carers participated in Bengaluru 10 K Marathon organized by Runners High, completed 5k run
- 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2023- 15 PWDs and 12 team members participated in Bengaluru Marathon, completed 5 k.
- 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2023- 24 students and 6 team members participated in Samarthanam Walkathon organized by Samarthanam Trust.
- **25**<sup>th</sup> **February, 2024** 15 PWDs and 16 Team members participated in 5k Run at Cubbon Park, organized by Runner's High.

#### Stalls:

- 1st July, 2023- Products exhibition at NIMHANS convention Centre
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023- Product exhibition cum sale at Kanteerava Stadium

## **Festivals and Celebrations:**

The following festivals were celebrated at Shristi: Annual Pooje, Sankranthi, Gowri -Ganesh Chaturthi, Dasara, Children's Day, Deepawali, Kanakadasa Jayanthi, Kannada Rajyothsava, Independence Day, Women's Day, and Christmas.

Students helped in arrangements like cleaning and arranging the classrooms and the premises, putting rangoli, flower decorations and helped in kitchen in preparing food (peeling and cutting vegetables) etc.; all these activities being part of their Life Skills training.

## **Trainings and Meetings**

- 1. **5**<sup>th</sup> **June, 2023** Kayaka Education (P) ltd, Rajajinagar. Organized a training session on Introduction of their programs and trainings and benefits. 19 team members benefitted.
- 2. **24**<sup>th</sup> **June, 2023** 65 parents attended Training session. Mr. Natesh from Carers Worldwide trained parents about importance of Carers Group Formation and Mr. Neelakanta from Kayaka orient the parents about Basic Computer Training and Spoken English Training Classes.
- 3. **12**<sup>th</sup> **July, 2023** 24 parents and 21 team members participated in Training on Understanding the Communication Needs of Children with Autism by Dr. Shubha Kashinath.

- 4. **6**<sup>th</sup> **July, 2023-** 21 Team members attended an online Training session on Introduction about AVAZ app.
- 5. **23**<sup>rd</sup> **August 2023** 20 parents attended Parent Empowerment Training on "Behavior Challenges in Adults and Adolescents" organized by Shristi. Mrs. Suchit Somashekaraiah train the parents.
- 6. **6**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2023** 11 parents attended training session on "Importance of Home Program" organized at Shristi by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah.
- 7. **13**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2023** 29 Parents and 16 Team Members attended training on "What is Cerebral Palsy" by Mrs. Gayathri Subhash, Director Programs.
- 8. **20**<sup>th</sup> **September, 2023** 23 parents and 7 team members attended training on "Needs and Expectation of Parents and Importance of Home Program" by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah
- 9. **27**th **September, 2023-** 21 parents, 14 team members and 16 OT students attended the Training on "Importance of Employability Training" by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah.
- 10. **4**<sup>th</sup> **October, 2023** 56 parents, 11 team members attended training on "Planning a schedule for your child on working days- Before and After school and holidays) by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah.
- 11. **10**<sup>th</sup> **and 12 October, 2023**-19 Team members attended Training session by Dr. Shabanam from MAITS (Multi Agency International Training and Support).
- 12. **16**<sup>th</sup> **October, 2023** 2 Team members attended a workshop at NIMHANS organized by Carers Worldwide Resource Person Mrs. Michelle.
- 13. **8**<sup>th</sup> **November, 2023**: 38 parents participated in training on "Government Benefits" by Mr. Umapathi , Principal.
- 14. 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2023- 25 Carers, 4 team members attended workshop on Understanding Behavioral Challenges in Adolescents and Adults with Disabilities by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah.
- 15. **5**<sup>th</sup> **December, 2023** 15 Carers and 11 Team Members participated in Online training session on "Importance of Personal Hygiene" by Enfold Proactive Health Trust.
- 16. **13**<sup>th</sup> **December, 2023** 31 Carers and 15 Team Members participated in Training on "Pre-Requisite Skills for Learning Academics" by Mrs. Gayathri Subhash, Director Programs.
- 17. **20**<sup>th</sup> **December, 2023**: 13 Carers and 6 team members attended training on "Menstrual Hygiene" by Dr. Rashmi H R.
- 18. **3**<sup>rd</sup> **January, 2024** 15 Carers and 2 Team Members attended Training session on "Safety Needs and Personal Hygiene" by Mrs. Suchita Somashekaraiah.
- 19. **3**<sup>rd</sup> **February, 2024** 23 team members and 2 carers attended a workshop on "Behavioral Challenges in Children, Strategies and guiding principal" at Spastics Society of Karnataka.
- **20. 21**<sup>st</sup> **February, 2024-** 17 Fathers with their PWDs and 12 Staff visited Indian Social Institute as part of the training "Father's Empowerment Training" for below the age of 16 years.
- **21. 28**<sup>th</sup> **February, 2024-** 16 Fathers with their PWDs and 12 Staff visited Indian Social Institute as part of the training "Father's Empowerment Training" for above the age of 16 years.
- 22. **5**<sup>th</sup> **March, 2024** 43 Carers and 7 Team members attended training on "Behavioral Challenges in Adults with Disabilities" by Dr. Manohari, Psychiatrist. Organized by Shristi.
- 23. **16**<sup>th</sup> **March, 2024-** Mr. Umapathi, Principal and Mr. Srinivas Kumbale, Family Counsellor attended workshop at Malleshwaram. Workshop was about "Mental Illness and Mental Health Act" organized by Carers Wordwide.