

Community Outreach

Community Outreach started at St. Bede's college in the Centenary year 2004. It was an effort made to sensitize our students to a different social level.

Apart from regular visits to Old Age Homes, Orphanages and Hospitals, the college 'adopted' a Govt. Middle School at Theog, Distt. Shimla, and worked on:

- A) Developing a rain water harvesting tank at the Theog school
- B) Helped make kutcha stone steps leading up to the school.
- C) Two toilets were also built as there was no toilet facility either for the staff or the students.
- D) A number of durries, chairs, sports equipment was given by the college for the school children.
- E) A small play area with a swing, slide and a see-saw was also made for the primary children.

The college students regularly interact with the school children. They prepare skits on hygiene, drugs, plastic and its harm and importance of girl child, and perform at the village school.

Story telling sessions with different sections are conducted and sports day too is celebrated with them. Occasionally a tie-up with WWF is made and environment awareness films are shown to the children along with short documentaries about wild life.

St. Bede's students also visit another Govt. primary school close to the college and organize and conduct interactive sessions there too.

September 2016: A few students from Cambridge U.K, visited Shimla and interacted with the



village school-children at Theog.

August 2017: ‘Save Honey Bees’ a presentation was given to the Theog children.



May 2018: St. Bede’s college, Shimla extended its Community Outreach programme to Spiti in Kaza, Himachal Pradesh. Three teachers took up teaching assignments at Munselling School, Kaza

From 13 to 17th May, 2018, three senior members, Ms. Anuja Sharma, Dept. of English, Ms. Nandini Pathania, Dept. of Home Science and Dr. Anupama Tandon, Dept. of Economics, went as Volunteers to Munselling School Spiti. They took the senior section and conducted classes related to :

1. Communication Skills
2. Personality Development
3. Pidilite Creative Art
4. Data Collection and Analysis
5. SWOT Analysis
6. Interactive games.



On December 18, 2018, the students and a few staff members went to Theog Govt. middle school to conduct activities under Community outreach. The ten students were: Saisha Verma, Sumedha Aggarwal, Akshita Verma, Ankita Sharma, Amisha Chauhan, English Hons., Anita Dogra from Biotechnology, Parul Verma, B.Sc, Anuja Sharma and Garima Sharma, English Major the teachers accompanying the students were Mrs Anuja Sharma, Dept. of English, Mr. Anupam and Mr. Ashish from the Dept. of Commerce. We were warmly welcomed by the staff and students of the school. The interaction started with a game of 'Dog n the Bone' where both students and teachers participated. Soon the school children were divided into groups and the planned races for them were conducted. The Musical Chairs was a keenly contested game between the students and teachers, with the student from theog school winning the hot seat finally!

The generosity and hospitality of the village school is worth mentioning. Not only were we welcomed with a cup of hot tea and biscuits but were also invited to part take the mid-day meal at the school itself. The day ended well with a lot of learning and gainful experience.

