

Parents & teachers share experiences & responsibilities



A workshop was conducted for the parents of primary students at **Arvind Gupta DAV Centenary Public School, North Ex, Model Town** by the teachers of the primary wing. The aim of the workshop was to motivate and make parents aware of the teaching methodology used in the school. The workshop commenced with the introductory game Boogie-Woogie. The game encouraged peer bonding, alertness and listening skills.

Through Animal sound and Action game, the parents were asked to choose their favourite animal they want to be and why so? Through this importance of being critical thinker was told to parents. Teachers also discussed with them how children must be taught, how to think, not what to think.

Then participants were divided into different groups and Tug of War-Pantomime imaginary game was played and parents were told about how they can play different imaginary games with children at home.

Opportunities were provided to the parents to do different language activities based on material principle with Understanding Phonics, which was an important part of the learning process to make them understand the importance of 'Learning by doing' activities with children at home. An interactive session on early childhood cognitive development introduction

through play way method gave an insight to parents on the characteristics of playing-an important part of the brain development was discussed.

With observation, interaction and guidance of the teachers, children learn many concepts. After this activity, parents were asked to list the materials to be used keeping the key developmental areas in mind. Parents shared their ideas and also suggested few innovative materials essential for classroom teaching.

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A Dice game based on vyanjans and puzzles from Child Craft Kit was introduced to the parents for Hindi activity. The Bucket Filler activity was played in which parents were encouraged to use and develop different motivating words for children like Bravo, Well done, marvellous, to boost their confidence. The workshop concluded with a discussion on the need for providing opportunities to children and allowing them to choose as they themselves are a potential resource. The school principal, supervisory head and the parents appreciated the efforts of the teachers for conducting the workshop.