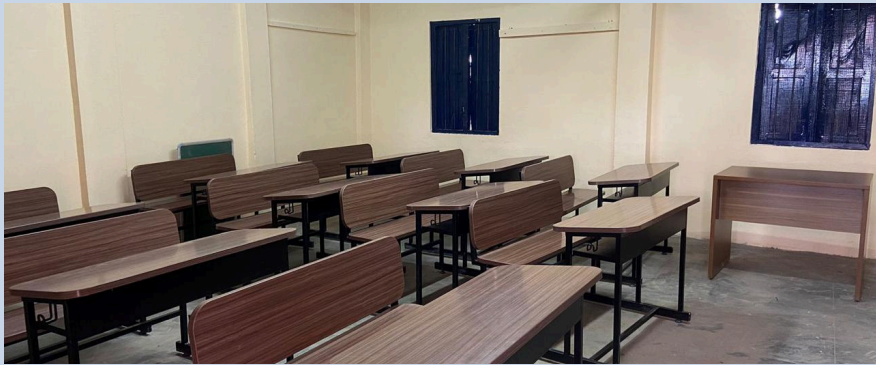




RM Renovation Work

- Full roof renovation including roof covering on first floor verandah and ground floor quadrangle. The school now has a sheltered space for the assembly.
- The quadrangle now has a dining area, consisting of tables and seating arrangements, that can accommodate 50 children at a time. A welcome change from them eating on the bare ground, open to the elements.
- Full new electrical wiring and controls
- Full new plumbing
- Renovation of kitchen with new stove, better designed chimney and renovated washing area.
- New stainless steel hand washing stations.
- Creation of a separate HM room and staff room renovated with a pantry sink.
- Replacement of 5 Door frames and doors.
- Full painting of the school both inside and outside.
- New Furniture for 125 children.

RM Crowd Sourcing

- Through our first crowd sourcing efforts, we raised funds for this project, through family and friends.
- We completed the work in 45 days, during the summer holidays.
- Immense gratitude to all those who contributed. You are forever in our hearts.
- The names of our patrons are forever etched on the school wall as well.

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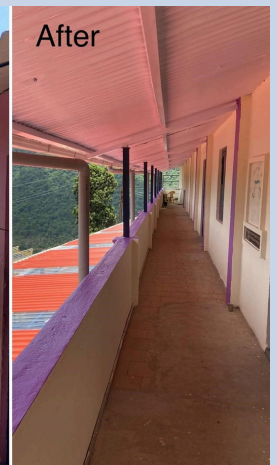
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RM Volunteers

- Our first effort at involving corporate volunteers resulted in beautiful wall art to embellish the school.
- Cognizant volunteers from Coimbatore spent a week-end in the hills. While the experts painted the outline and finishing touches, the rest dabbled with paints that conveyed subtle messages.





English Classes

- Grades 1 to 5, in collaboration with Shikshaytan, pioneers in teaching English in rural India, using **flashcards**, maps & activity kits, was extended to 4 schools.
- Grades 6 to 8, **conversational English** through audio/video situations, started in 2 schools
- Read Along Google App** was set-up on low cost tablets & headsets, on an experimental basis in 2 schools and the CMS Hostel with encouraging results.
- Karadi Path** has been introduced on an experimental basis in one school, for Grades 1 to 5. This is an action based audio-visual methodology, which seems to be working well with these rural kids where English is more of a foreign language for them.

Stem Project

- Both the computer labs at CMS hostels are making satisfactory progress with some students being able to create conditional formulae in Excel and others starting some basic coding and animation.
- Distributed 30 science kits along with ILP to 6 schools in Gudalur as part of an IIT Chennai based project. The money was raised by 3 Bristol half marathon runners.
- Practical science lessons were conducted in 4 schools.



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Sports Program

- Sports classes** by our Sports Coach in collaboration with Sports Village, Edu Sports were extended to 4 schools.
- MMS Attadi took part in the **zonal inter-school meet** for Kabadi and KhoKho. Along with MMS Bandishola, they also took part in the **inter-school chess** tournament
- In our search for individual talent, we sponsored a student from Erumad GHSS for **long jump at the State Meet** and another from Attadi school for the 50m CM's special children's meet where he qualified for the State level.
- We also sponsored the first ever **Nilgiris Tribal Football Tournament**

Total Impact

540 children

Stagecraft

Our schools competed amongst themselves in the first **BeMyBuddy English Drama Competition** based on Health and Hygiene

- First Prize - MMS Banishola
- Second Prize - MMS Attadi

Tiny Tots

- Around **30 LCD pads** were provided to our tiny tots who scribble with enthusiasm thereby introducing them to writing.
- They also enjoy playing with a comprehensive set of **toys** that help in eye hand coordination improving cognitive and motor skills.





Learning Lab with CSR from Microland Foundation

- The Learning Lab is our first CSR funded initiative and we were honoured to have Kalpana Kar Head of Microland Foundation inaugurating this space, a multi-pronged approach to learning.
- The digital, reading and creativity corners ensure that the learner is exposed to the type of learning that suits best.
- While the reading corner is well-stocked with books as well as tablets and headsets, the creativity corner encourages students to work with their hands.
- We organized a Conscious Creativity workshop by Pavithra Yudishter, artist and educationist, to remove whatever inhibitions the students may have.
- We are also using this space for after school classes, so as to provide individual attention to the students.



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- At MMS Bandishola, kids continue to grow their **organic veggies** with great enthusiasm to supplement their midday meal.
- The **marching band** at PUMS Bettatti still receives VIPs & other guests in style.
- Formal **uniforms and blazers/sweaters** were given to MMS Bandishola
- A **workshop for teachers** on Conscious Creativity by Pavithra Yudishter was well-received by the teachers of the schools we support.
- **Our 1st school to job success** - We gave a scholarship to an old student from MMS Attadi (circled in the pic here) to finish his CS degree. He now has a job in an IT firm.
- We are now giving **scholarships** to 6 other students, ranging from hostel expenses to fees for degree courses.

