

Dear friends of “Stichting Children sponsorship”



WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

MAY THE NEW BORN BABY JESUS FILL YOU ALL WITH HIS LOVE, PEACE, JOY AND HAPPINESS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND LIFE AHEAD.

We the girls and the sisters of boardingschool “Anandsagar” Vyara are happy to share with you all our life. The beginning of the year was challenging. The school started on 5th. Of June 2016. It is in the midst of hot summer days. The villages as well as we here in the Hostel were running short of water. The children arrived we could keep them no more than a day, we were forced to send them back as not even sufficient drinking water we could have. The children went back home for another two weeks.

Some people helped us to have a bore well and we got plenty of water and also started raining. The children were back to the Boarding and the academic year begun.



We have 173 girls from 6th. Std. to the 12th. They are all from surrounding villages. Some come from very far and from deep forest. The majority of the girls speak a dialect which is Gamit, few speak kokni,chaudhry, bhily and vasavi.

In the beginning the smaller ones find difficult to cope up with the study. As they are not used to go regular to the school for various reasons. But slowly they get the rhythm of the life. Especially in the Boarding to follow the rules and regulations. But they get used to all the changes.

In the very beginning as usual every year we keep the orientation program. Also some light activities like singing and dancing competitions where they enjoy and come closer to each other and start making friends.

We do have leaders in the boarding from 9th. Std. We make groups and distribute different works and activities. The leaders take care of it. At times they fight but they manage themselves. Like this they are trained to be responsible children.



Each month we keep different activities for them especially on Sundays and accordingly to the festivals. As India is a country of festivals. In rainy season comes a feast called Gaury vrat. Where the small girls keep fasting for five days to get good husband in future. These days they put "Mahendi with design in their hand, they go to the temple and eat only dry fruits without salt. Here we keep mahendi and hair style competitions.

In August comes an Adivasi Day, as all our people are Adivasis we celebrate grand. In the morning we give for breakfast their typical food called " Gatho" which is made out of juwar flour and water with some grain called tuver. Afternoon rice and dal and evening we gave them chicken and rotla. All is typical of the place. In the evening we keep the typical dancing competition. It is nice to see them enjoying.



In September we had the celebration of teacher's day. The children put up some program for their teachers in the school as well as in the Boarding. They appreciated their teachers those who give them tuition classes in the boarding and gave a small gift as a token.

In October we had a festival called Navratri. Where people dance for nine nights. On the 10th. Day evening they make a statue of a man call Ravna with 10 heads and burnt it. (Evil of the world)

Now we are approaching another big feast called Diwali. A festival of lights. In India the schools get holidays for this feast for 3 weeks.

Our children have just finished their exams. Now a day they have sports in the school. Many of our girls take part in different games and they won.

Dear friends thank you very much for your collaborations which make a lot of difference in the life of our children. They are physically well and able to study well. They are happy to be in the boarding learning besides study many more things and above all the good values of life.

Big thanks for everything. God bless you abundantly for your good work.



With much love,

The children, staff and sisters from Boardingschool "Anandsagar"Vyara

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