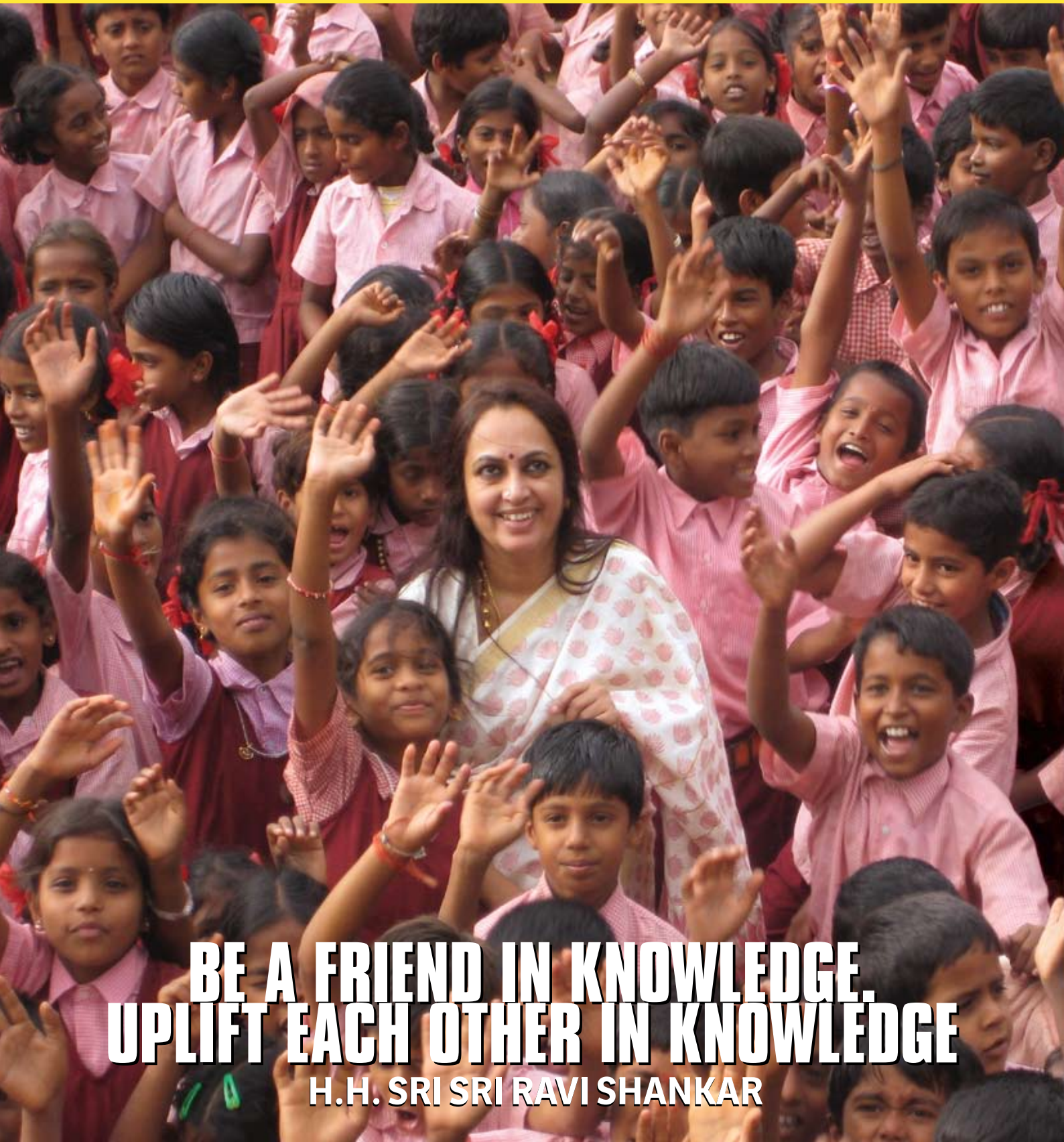


# MILES OF SMILES

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**BE A FRIEND IN KNOWLEDGE.  
UPLIFT EACH OTHER IN KNOWLEDGE**

**H.H. SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR**

# DEAR READERS,



Jai Guru Dev!

Recently, at a site near the city of Bhubaneswar in India, Guruji laid the foundation stone of the Sri Sri University. This university will offer holistic education to young people in the surrounding areas, giving them the opportunity to progress. At that time, Guruji said: “No one in the area should remain uneducated. Women, especially, must be educated.”

The words resonate with Guruji’s vision for the VVMVP School, which was started in 1981 – to reach out to children who have no access to education, with special emphasis on the girl child. This vision has expanded and touched so many children from all over India.

I would say, let our mission be:

“To educate every single individual. Let the light of knowledge dawn on everyone. Stress-free, value-based education will help us realize the vision of a stress-free, violence-free society.”

Warm regards

Bhanumathi Narasimhan

**JOY IS LOVE FOR WHAT IS,  
SORROW IS LOVE FOR WHAT IS NOT.  
THE VERY NATURE OF THE  
HIGHEST JOY IS TO SHARE,  
IT IS TO BRING IT TO EVERYBODY**

-H.H. SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR



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# SCHOOL PRIME MINISTER'S REPORT

For the year 2008 –09, the first monthly meeting of VVMVP School ministers' committee was held on July 26th, 2008. It was successfully conducted in the presence of the headmaster, teachers, ministers, committee members and the opposition party. In this monthly meeting, various issues and plans about the Independence Day celebrations were discussed.

THE HIGHLIGHTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Adjustments with school van timings and functioning were proposed for maximum efficiency. School vans would be given numbers so it's easier to ensure they are running on schedule.
2. Students are to be discouraged from buying snacks/sweets from vendors in and around the school premises.
3. Idea of getting more newspapers and books in the library was proposed. The headmaster has been requested to write to the ashram for the same.
4. Even the ministers are to be under watch so as to perform their respective duties efficiently for the betterment of the school.

THE PROGRAMS TO BE CONDUCTED WERE ALSO DISCUSSED.

THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. On the 22nd of August, sports and cultural competitions for the high school were planned.
2. Plans were made to celebrate the 62nd Independence Day.

In this way our minister's committee completed the first meeting successfully in the presence of teachers, elders and students. Our school headmaster was the guest of this meeting. The meeting ended with an informal tête-à-tête over refreshments.

**Praveen. S**  
Prime Minister  
**VVMVP School**



# CLIPPINGS



## NEW TRIBAL SCHOOL IN DAHOD, GUJARAT

VED VIGNAN MAHA VIDYA PEETH has reached out to more economically backward children by opening A NEW TRIBAL SCHOOL IN VILLAGE PANCHELA, TALUKA DEVGADH BARIA, DISTRICT DAHOD, GUJARAT.

The village has a population of over 3,000, which includes 1,500 children. Majority of them work as labors earning daily wages, making it very difficult for them to send their children to school. Number of children not attending school is close to 300.

The new school has started with 32 children, providing free education to them. This includes free tuitions, books, stationary, midday meals, uniforms, and transportation to collect and drop children from nearby villages.

The school will grow every year with new students joining the school and old students going to higher classes. This school has encouraged the village people to send their children to school for quality education and a bright future.



## CELEBRATION TIME

Our students at VVMVP celebrated Independence Day in all patriotic colours and enthusiasm. Hoisting of flag and remembering the teachings of all national leaders of our country marked the beginning of celebration. The school Prime Minister gave an inspiring speech with a narration of all important national events. He also spoke about his pride in being a student of VVMVP.



# OUR TEACHERS- WE LOVE THEM!



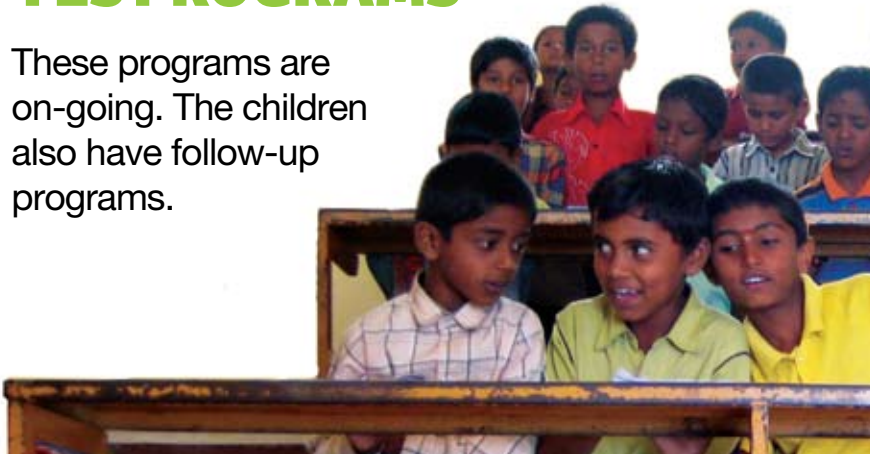
Our students did not leave any stone unturned in making Teacher's Day a memorable celebration. The students organised cultural programmes and various exciting competitions for their teachers.

# SCHOOL RE- OPENED ON 25TH MAY

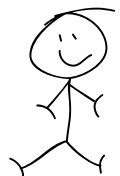
Our school VVMVP re-opened on 25th May. The admissions from nursery to 7th standard commenced and the number of new admissions were 200; that has increased the strength of the primary division to 535. Bridge Course examinations were conducted and special classes were organised for slow-learning students. New textbooks and stationery were distributed to all students and they were all ready for the new session to begin. A new school cabinet was formed along with 'Teacher Kriya Samiti'.

# NEARLY 700 CHILDREN UNDERWENT ART EXCEL AND YES PROGRAMS

These programs are on-going. The children also have follow-up programs.



# 10<sup>TH</sup> CLASS 2008 LIFE AFTER SCHOOL



Our students have done us proud once again! 151 students who appeared for Standard X board examinations have secured 100 percent results. Our school topper Manikanta, who was also the Vice-President of school in 2007-08, has joined college in the commerce stream. Other students have opted for colleges, polytechnic and job-oriented professional courses.

# EYE CAMP CONDUCTED ON 18TH SEPTEMBER 2008



An Eye Camp was conducted in the VVMVP School on September 18th, 2008 for the students. The Camp was sponsored by **Canon India** in association with **Shankar Netralaya**. It was held in the School Hall though the day. The camp started right after the morning assembly. Students of the nursery class were the first to get their eyes checked. Over 520 students got their eyes checked by the doctor and opticians from Shankar Netralaya.

The students' eyes were examined for normal sight defects (close/far) and other physical defects like squint in the eye, which now may be

cured if detected at an early stage. The cure could be as simple as prescribing powered glasses or may require surgery.

Many students were given spectacles with the appropriate power. Eight students were scheduled for a hospital visit for further examination and necessary medical procedure. They would undergo required treatment and surgery, if necessary. Overall it was a successful Eye Camp and we are looking forward to many more in the near future.



# SCHOOL- PARLIAMENT

## 2008-09

### Leaders in the making



The VVMVP cabinet has a new Prime Minister, Praveen from Standard X and Ramya is the Deputy Prime Minister. All members of the cabinet were elected and their Oath Ceremony was held on July 5<sup>th</sup> 2008. The new Cabinet conducted their first monthly meeting on July 26th and discussed various ways in which they could take care of the school in a better way. They decided to make the school more green, students more healthy and planned many more cultural/sports events.



# SPORTS

## THE WAY TO FITNESS



Our little angels from the primary school participated in the Somanahalli Cluster Level Sports Meet and bagged the Championship trophy. Their victory at Somanahalli led them to sports at the Taluka (Sub District) level, where students from the high school joined them. The students won 25 titles and five boys have been selected to make a mark in debates, rangoli designing and kho-kho at district level events.

# NEW STUDENTS SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE

## Varalakshi K 9th C

I like this school much better than my old school. I'm getting free books, stationary, uniform, transport and free mid-day meals. We have good teachers with great teaching skills. If I don't understand anything, teachers encourage me to ask again so I don't miss out on anything. The school location provides perfect environment for learning. I'm thankful to Guruji for giving me and all other children this great opportunity.

## Cheluvamba 9th B

I love this school. Here I get free education with free books, clothes, transport etc. With all this Guruji is also giving us computer training free of cost. Guruji is giving all this to me and many other children. My pranam to Guruji and the teachers.

## Archana S 9th B

In my previous school we had free education but the teaching standard was not good at all. Here at VVMVP School we're getting free and quality education. The teachers are much better here. Computer education was there in the old school too but you had to pay for that. Also there was no library, laboratory, etc. But here Guruji has given us everything free of cost. I love my new school.

### PARTICIPATE AND MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE TO THE LIVES OF RURAL CHILDREN.

Name: .....

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I would like to make a difference to                      child(ren) .....

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