

Koels Open House 2026 - 2027

The Koels of Santa Maria were delighted to present their activities to parents through the Open House event held on 11th, 12th and 14th August 2026.

The event was the culmination of a multi-phase process. In the first phase we invited parents to join us for a workshop that was conducted in the month of May. The objective of the workshop was to come together and find ways to engage our children meaningfully at home during holidays.



The second phase started with the summer break when parents and children engaged meaningfully. As the school reopened after the break the classrooms started to flood with beautiful creations. In the third phase children started presenting their work during '**Show and Tell**'. This continued till all the children got a chance.



Simultaneously children and teachers discussed the presentation in the Open house. Almost a month went by preparing for it. Children discussed with their teachers to decide which activity they would like to present. The excitement levels went up as the day of the Open house came

closer. All the Koels were ready. Classrooms looked absolutely stunning. It was an enriching experience for both children and parents to interact with each other.



The Koels decided to present the following activities:

- Story telling
- Science observation
- Cooking without fire
- Nature and me
- Treasure trip
- Exploring Delhi

Each child was seated in the area allotted to them for the Open house. This helped all of us to prepare the assigned corners accordingly.

Story Telling

Story telling group presented stories using

- ❖ story books
- ❖ puppets and puppet theatre
- ❖ picture cards and objects



Science observation

Science observation group presented simple science experiments demonstrating fundamental properties of:

- ❖ Water
- ❖ Air
- ❖ Light
- ❖ Surface
- ❖ Sound



Cooking without fire

Cooking without fire group presented through a chart and displayed simple snacks like chana chaat, sandwich, milkshake, lemonade, etc.



Nature and Me

Nature and Me group presented engagements centred on building a connection with the natural world through observing and documenting....

- ❖ birds
- ❖ insects
- ❖ animals
- ❖ trees/plants



Treasure Trip

Treasure trip group displayed "treasure boxes" containing memorable items collected during the trips in the holidays.



Exploring Delhi

Exploring Delhi group shared observations from visits to Delhi landmarks, including monuments, art galleries, the Science Museum, and the Nehru Planetarium.



It was a very proud moment for everyone at SMILE to see our little ones talk to adults with such confidence and clarity. Most of our parents spent lot of time listening to other children in different classrooms.





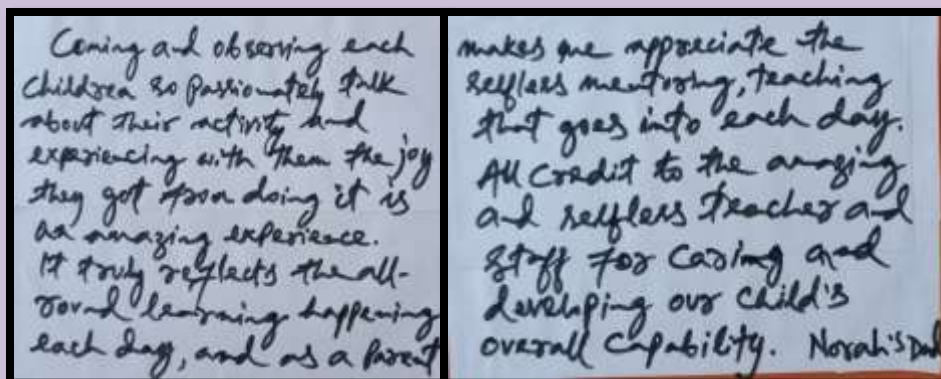
Children also crafted beautiful bookmarks from recycled material, and gifted them to parents as a souvenir.



Open house was a great opportunity for our children to present their work and interact with parents. It has not only boosted their confidence but also made them aware of their strengths. From here our children will take a flight as we will continue to see their level of readiness going up with time.

We are grateful to all our parents for extending their valuable support and time to children and to make this event such a big success.

Feedback from parents



Token of appreciation for children



Photo Gallery





The Open House was greatly honoured by the esteemed presence of **His Excellency, Ambassador of Ethiopia**, who graced the occasion as our primary guest of honour.

Kind regards,

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