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Annual Report

2016-17

Women Development Cell

Women Development Cell (WDC) is a Statutory Body that aims to create awareness towards gender sensitization and provide a conducive environment for a holistic development of boy and girl students, promote their well being as well as that of the teaching and non teaching staff members.

The WDC collaborates with various NGOs working at creating social awareness about women related issues. This year WDC has taken up the Happy Napi initiative too.

Activities held in 2016-17

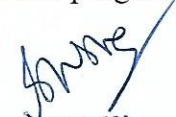
➤ Self Defence Workshop for girls

A Self Defence Workshop was conducted on 3rd August, 2016 by Shri Shivaji Pawar, President of Lee Martial Arts Sports Academy, Chembur. Basic self defence strategies were demonstrated and the students were trained in the same. **214** girls participated. The session lasted for 2 hours. Members of WDC also participated enthusiastically.

➤ Citizen Policing Program

WDC organized the "Citizen Policing Program" in association with the Public Concern by Governance Trust on 19 th September, 2016. Representatives of the Trust conducted the program in the seminar room. There were three short clips screened, which dealt with harassment of girls/women in public places. **63 students** attended and few staff members also participated. The session ended with the demand for more of similar programmes.




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➤ **Happy Napi Machine**

On 21st September 2016, a presentation was made on how to operate the “Happy Nappi” machine. There were **140 girls** who attended and participated. On 13th October, 2016 the machine was inaugurated by the Principal Dr. Usha Iyer. Vice Principal Sailaja R. and WDC members along with girls were present at the inaugural.

➤ **Talk by a gynecologist**

A talk by a gynecologist from Medimix was conducted on 30th November 2017 for the girl students. The topic of discussion was ‘Personal Hygiene’. The gynaecologist addressed and answered queries put forth by the girls.

➤ **Screening of a film**

On 27th February 2017, the widely acclaimed film ‘Pink’ was screened in the audio visual room, with the aim to sensitize the students. **65 students** viewed the film. This was followed by an interactive session.

➤ **International Women’s Day**

International Women’s Day was celebrated on Wednesday, 8th March, 2017.

Dr. Hemalata Vidyashankar and Dr. Chinmay Nakhwa from Aditya Jyot Eye Hospital were invited for a talk on ‘Awareness on Eye Care’. Both students and the staff members benefited from this very informative session. Staff members have been invited to avail of free eye check up at the hospital till 31st March, 2017.

Dr. Sunita D. Shirvalkar
Convenor

Date: 10th March, 2017



Dr. Usha Iyer
Principal

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