

Newsletter

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Computer Shiksha is a team of like minded people working towards computer literacy among underprivileged children. Our mission is to provide Computer Knowledge and Training with passion and commitment, to deliver Value in the form of Computer trained people, who use this skill for the betterment of their lives in every possible way.

Old machines give way to new

Computer Shiksha started in a small way (15 laptops – 60 children – 1 school) but with big dreams and now when we look back it seems this has just been the dream beginning we wanted and we are now poised to make this bigger better and brighter than yesterday. All of this is good news.

The old order changeth to new, so said Lord Tennyson and unhappily though we have to agree. Almost half the laptops from the first lot that we bought have fallen apart.



"Well Used" (as Arpana Rawat said – she was the donor of the first laptop) they were but we could have done without this extra spend.



Some of the laptops that we had to unfortunately discard as they were beyond repair too

The first LCD projector which we had bought had also aged and died and has been replaced with a new one.

New Uniform for employees

But one has to accept that all change is inevitable and good. Another bit of news is that now Computer Shiksha employees and even patrons and volunteers have to don the new Computer Shiksha uniform when at the project sites. Mr. Anil Singhal one of our Patrons an e-Purchase Head of DCM Technologies has helped us get these t-shirts done at nominal rates. Every employee has been given three T-shirts for a year. Seen in the picture here are Bharat our trainer, our Administrative help Noor and Arjun Verma our youngest ☺ Patron.



Picture Gallery



Computer Shiksha starts classes at Government Secondary School Islampur



Computer Shiksha teacher wins best teacher award from this kid. No award can be greater

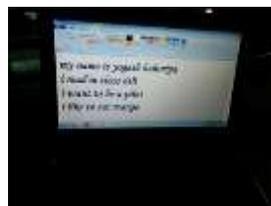


Classes in full swing. Seen here are "Bharat, trainer" and Kanupriya, a volunteer

Unplanned benefits Serendipity?!

Computer Shiksha is devoted to making tomorrow's young generation computer literate. While we plod along to achieve this and feel happy when the kids have learnt what we sought them to do.

They do well in their assessments. But along the way there is much more that they learn. For e.g. since all have to wash their hands before they sit to work – keeping their hands clean has become a way of life for them. Here comes another one – seen here is Yogesh one of the many Computer Shiksha students. A couple of months back he did not know how to switch on a laptop.



Today he typed out these few sentences as a part of his class work. Soon he would be learning how to use a word processor and then a spreadsheet this is just the beginning of a new Yogesh, a Yogesh who thinks he can be whatever he wants to be. Now isn't that something which is much more important than being Computer literate..... this belief that "I Can"?

A Volunteer with a difference

Meet Kanupriya Singh. She is a very young girl and a Management Consultant in Talent & Organization consulting practice at a leading Management Consulting house.



"I've had the most amazing and meaningful 3 weeks of my life. The way this NGO is planned and implements and is managed is extraordinary."

Today was my last day with the kids. I can't begin to explain how sad I am. I am finding it very difficult to move on from here. At the same time, my commitment to help Computer Shiksha is stronger than before."

She volunteered for our NGO for 3 weeks. Such commitment at such a young age amazed us. And what was more amazing is the passion and sincerity that she brought into her volunteering, something which we find so rare these days.

On her last day the children were as sad as she was. Computer Shiksha has again found another FRIEND

