



ANNUAL REPORT
2020-2021



**Kalkeri
Sangeet
Vidyalaya**



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INTRODUCTION

Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya empowers, supports and encourages children from socially marginalised and economically disadvantaged backgrounds to realise their full potential and attain a better life. This is done through an intensive and comprehensive educational program and through the performing arts which are undertaken in a peaceful rural residential setting.

In such an atmosphere, the children learn many social skills, receive a nutritious diet and adequate healthcare services. Care, love and compassion are fundamental elements of the whole process.

Founded in November 2002, the school is located in a peaceful valley near the city of Dharwad. In this setting, the children enjoy the tranquillity necessary for their academic studies, music practice and many other cultural activities.

This year, KSV welcomed 215 students from 6 to 25 years old. The students are supported from 1st standard until the completion of their studies.

2020-2021 STUDENTS

Primary School Students: **105**

Secondary School Students: **45**

Higher Education Students: **65**

Girls: **53 %**

Boys: **47 %**

THE MANAGING COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT

Naveen Jha

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - Gowma Non-Leather Pvt Ltd

SECRETARY

Adam Woodward

Director - Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

MEMBERS

Arun Bellary

Managing Director - Asarva

K.L Patil

Karnataka High-Court Lawyer

Mathieu Fortier

Cofounder - Jeunes musiciens du monde & Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

Agathe Meurisse-Fortier

Cofounder - Jeunes musiciens du monde & Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

Avinash Patil

Accountant

MEMBERS OF STAFF

The KSV team is a multidisciplinary team of dedicated and enthusiastic individuals from various backgrounds. They are fully qualified and experienced professionals creating a motivated and dynamic team of mentors for the students.

KSV employs 77 members of staff and two long-term interns (2-year internships) across its Academic, Performing Arts, Student Welfare, Administration, Kitchen and Maintenance departments. 66 employees are full time and 11 are part-time. Excluding the School Director and two interns, the entire workforce has been recruited locally and all members of staff are based on campus at Kalkeri.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Director: Adam Woodward

General Manager: Yashwant Shindhe

Accounts Officer: Kavita Hiremath

Accounts Officer: Santosh Chavan

Human Resources and Fundraising Executive: Santosh Pujar

Volunteer Coordinator: Micha Solana

Fundraiser: Raphael Moulin

Fundraiser: Céline de Palma

Sponsorship Coordinator: Deepika Prasad

Driver: Chandrashekhar Pagoji

Security Guard: Anand Waddar

Security Guard: Fakkirappa Pagoji





ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT

Director of Academic Studies: Sudharm Basapur

Teachers:

1st Standard: Bhimray Jadennavar

2nd Standard: Marimbanu Adhoni

3rd Standard: Jeejabai Koldar

4th Standard: Fakkiramma Dandin

5th Standard: Basavaraj Kajaganatti

Mathematics: M.B.Shaikh

Science & Mathematics: Santosh Hiremath

Science & Mathematics: Rajashekharayya Kalagi

Social Sciences: Mohamedali Wallikar

Kannada: Vimala Patil

Hindi: Nalina Badiger

English: Ravi Walmiki

Sports: Sunil Goravanakolla

ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT

Teachers:

General: Rekha Baledamath

General: Nanda Pagoji

Craft: Roopa Holehonnurmth

General: Bhagyashri Maralingappanavar

Vocal: Sahana Tamankar

Vocal: Anita D P

Drama: Shashikala

PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

Performing Arts Department

Administrator: Krishna Sutar

Teachers:

Vocal: Krishna Sutar

Vocal: Vasanti Mutugoor

Vocal: Sukanya Badiger

Sitar: Noorjahan Nadaf

Tabla: Dayanand Sutar

Tabla: Veeresh Akki

Drama: Veeranna Pattar

Dance: Geetanjali Bapakar

STUDENT WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Director of Student's Welfare: Shivla Saksena

Wardens:

Ashwini Walikar
Bharati Malavalli
Fakkiravva Kademani
Ishwar Talagadi
Kalavva Pujar
Mahantesh Hosamani
Pushpa Goravanakolla
Reshma Lamani
Santosh Kalaghatagi
Shruti Bandivaddar
Shruti Kamatar
Sunanda Pujer
Suvarna Hadagar
Vinod Shukla

KITCHEN DEPARTMENT

Head Cook: Laxmi Pagoji

Assistants:

Gangavva Javalli
Mahadevi Goudar
Renavva Mummigatti

Sarita Naikar
Savitri Goudar

Storekeeper: Manjula Kale

Purchasing: Rehka Naik

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Supervisor: Arjun Bangadi

Foreman: Dharmraj Walikar

Skilled Labour: Sahu Kokare

Mason: Pundalik Ratolli

Team:

Bagubhai Kokare
Bommu Toravatt
Dhulu Toravatt
Hanumant Walikar
Hanumavva Mummigatti
Jannabai Toravatt
Mahadev Javalli
Maruti Naikar
Premavva Mummigatti
Ravi Vaddar
Tammanna Naikar
Vittu Lambore



COVID-19

In March 2020, towards the end of the previous academic year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a lockdown in Karnataka was declared and all schools were closed. Our students and staff went home, and we had to assist the volunteers to arrange flights back to their respective countries which at that time of great uncertainty was quite a challenging task.

During the first few months of the first lockdown not too much was happening as all on-campus activities had stopped.

After a few months, we anticipated that schools may reopen and accordingly we started planning how we would welcome back our students. We prepared our Standard Operating Procedures for working under COVID conditions, a staggered timetable, a COVID budget for the extra expenses we would incur, and worked out the details of how we would organise the running of classes, the hostels, the school infirmary, known as the Bobo House, and the kitchen. There were lots of concerns to consider, which brought up various challenges that we had to overcome.

Throughout the entire COVID-19 situation – lockdowns and school closure – we ensured that all of the KSV staff received their full salaries each month. We are truly grateful to all our donors and supporters who enabled us to do this, which we felt was essential during these challenging times.



We also ensured that we maintained regular communication with all of our students and their families. Our team of hostel wardens were calling the students every two weeks, and in the latter part of 2020, we had started our regular online class.

In July 2020, the 10th standard students finally sat for their SSLC exams; the exams should have taken place in April. All the delays and uncertainty during these few months were quite stressful for our 10th standard students, but we are happy to be able to say that they all passed their exams.

Each month, we anticipated that the government would announce the reopening of schools, but we were disap-

pointed every time as this decision was deferred. Finally, in January 2021 we were able to start to welcome back some of the students. We first had the 10th standard students back on campus, and then in phases, we had more students arrive back at school. We reached the point whereby we had 80 students from the 6th to 10th standard back on campus, Unfortunately, we had to close again in April 2021.





ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

KSV's Academic Department's primary aim is to implement a truly child-centred education that caters to different and varied learning styles which allow each and every child to learn at their own pace. To achieve this, teachers undergo constant training sessions to learn about alternative approaches. They are also encouraged to use new technologies in the classroom such as computers, tablets and projectors.

Various teaching methods are employed in the classroom such as Reciprocal Method, Group Work and Peer-to-Peer teaching. Teachers also have access to various teaching aids such as flashcards, charts, counting-beads, number cards, cards of different shapes, currency, blocks, puzzle games and activity books.





2020-2021 STUDENTS

Standard	Age Range (yrs)	Boys	Girls	Total
1 st	6-7	5	8	13
2 nd	7-8	7	8	15
3 rd	8-9	7	8	15
4 th	9-10	5	6	11
5 th	10-11	7	6	13
6 th	11-12	8	10	18
7 th	12-13	9	11	20
8 th	13-14	6	7	13
9 th	14-15	12	5	17
10 th	15-16	5	10	15
Higher Education	16-25	31	34	65
Total		102	113	215

The subjects taught in Lower Primary (1st to 4th Standard) are Kannada, English, Mathematics, Environmental Science, Art, Storytelling and Games. In Upper Primary to Higher Secondary (5th to 10th Standard) the subjects are Kannada, English, Hindi, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Computer Studies, Arts and Sports.

Class hours per student per week

1st-4th

Kannada - 4
English - 4
Maths - 5
Environmental Science - 5
Story Telling - 2
Games - 2
Art - 2



5th-10th

Kannada - 4
English - 4
Hindi - 2
Maths - 5
Science - 5
Social Science - 4
Computer Studies - 1
Art - 1
Sport - 2





HIGHER EDUCATION

65 students are now pursuing their higher education studies

- 26 students are in PUC College
- 28 students are in Under-Graduate degree programmes
- 3 students are in Postgraduate degree programmes
- 8 students are in vocational training courses

COLLEGE STUDENTS MEETING

This year, working under COVID conditions saw the college students' meetings move to an online format. We embraced this opportunity to maintain contact with all our college students, share information, and reflect upon performance and progress.



ALUMNI

This academic year, 10 students completed their higher education.

MEET TWO ALUMNI

Sangeeta Chavan

23 years old

Master's of English

Sangeeta currently lives in a hostel in Dharwad and is on her path to completing a Master's in English at the Government First Grade College of Karnataka University.

Before coming to KSV, Sangeeta lived in Goa with her mother, her four sisters and her brother. As she was the eldest sibling, Sangeeta used to work as a domestic helper in private houses to help support the family. Her parents were construction workers and they found it challenging to earn enough to afford an education for all their children.



Sangeeta's mother got a job offer as a cook at KSV and moved there with her six children just after the father left the family.

Sangeeta started her education at KSV at the age of 11. At first, it was not easy for her as she was not used to a formal school environment and had a lot of catching up to do. There were only 30 students at the school at that time, so students were grouped according to their ability as opposed to their age. Because she had never been to school, she started to attend classes with the small children. She could only speak Lamani, a native language that her family spoke at home.

Sangeeta worked very hard, attended her classes, learnt to read and write three languages, caught up in all her subjects and after six years, she finally reached a point where she was able to attend classes with the other students of her age. She also learnt to play the sitar and took part in various musical performances in Dharwad.

As Sangeeta did her Pre University Course (PUC) in the Arts stream from Dharwad University, she continued to live on the KSV campus. She then went on to do a Bachelor

of Arts and then a Bachelor of Education at the Karnataka College in Dharwad. From KSV, she received free housing and financial support for her college fees and other expenses related to her studies. After completing her Bachelor's, she decided to do a Master's in English and moved to a hostel in Dharwad.

Sangeeta has now completed her Master with a score of 70%, top of her batch. Since she started college, she has had the desire to teach at KSV so she can "give back some of what [she] received from here". We will be very pleased to have her join the KSV team as a Primary English teacher in December 2021.

*"Studying at KSV gave me a different perspective of life;
I now feel I can become much more than I thought I could"*





Prakash Chavan
25 years old
MBA in Finance & Marketing

Prakash works as a Service Delivery Manager at IndusInd Bank in Bangalore. He is the first KSV student to complete an MBA.

Before joining KSV, Prakash used to live in Hubli with his parents, brother and two sisters. His mother was the only member of the family who earned money by doing housekeeping work. His father struggled with alcoholism which led to the accumulation of large debts that had to be paid off by selling all their properties. In order to support the family, even Prakash and his sisters had to start working. In 2005, Prakash's mother heard about KSV and decided to send Prakash and his younger brother to the school

in hopes of building a better life for them. A while later, Prakash's father was taken ill, so his sisters had to continue to work to pay off the debts.

Prakash joined KSV at a very early stage of the school when there were very few students but he slowly settled in with a lot of love and care from all the staff members. As he grew older, he saw the school grow with him; he enjoyed seeing the changes like better access to drinking water, televisions in the hostels, and his friends getting degrees and jobs.

After completing his 10th standard, Prakash continued to live on the KSV campus and did his Pre University Course (PUC) in Commerce at the Basel Mission College. He then went on to do a Bachelor's degree in Commerce at the Dharwad University and moved to a hostel with the financial support of KSV. Throughout this time he continued to study music so, after completing his bachelors, he had to make a big decision. He wondered if he should do an MBA or pursue music. He decided to do an MBA and said, "music is still with me and it will always be in my heart."

Doing an MBA in Finance and Marketing was a difficult and expensive choice but Prakash was determined to make it happen with the support of KSV. Through hard work and determination, Prakash became the first KSV student to hold an MBA degree.

Towards the end of his MBA, he then had a job at the IndusInd Bank of India via the college placements process. His parents are extremely happy that he is working in a bank and supporting his family after all their hardships and challenges.

"KSV has had a very huge impact on my wellbeing - I had never imagined I would be pursuing higher studies and do so much more."





ACADEMIC EXAMINATIONS

- 100% of the 8th, 9th & 10th Standard students passed their annual internal academic exams with an average pass rate of 74%.
- There are no traditional exams for the 1st to 7th standard students, they undergo continuous evaluation throughout the year which was undertaken during their online classes this year.
- The average pass mark for the 10th Std examinations was 77% and Tejashwini Bulbule came top of the class with 93%.
- 14 out of 15 students from the 10th Standard who passed their exams were admitted to PU Colleges.
- 85% of students finishing college continued their education by starting an undergraduate degree.
- 62% of undergraduates finishing their bachelor degrees continued their studies either starting a new bachelor's degree or starting a Masters or Government job coaching class.

ACADEMIC REGULAR ACTIVITIES

ONLINE CLASSES

During the pandemic as schools remained closed, the teachers engaged the students in learning by conducting online classes. The 2nd to 5th standard students attended 12 hours of online classes each week, and the 6th to 10th attended 18 hours per week. Overall 50% of the students were able to access the digital classes. The remaining 50% of the students either did not have access to a smart device, didn't have access to a reliable Internet connection, or could not afford the cost of the data recharge. For the students that didn't regularly attend the online classes, the academic teachers kept in regular contact with them by phone: they shared information regarding different educational resources such as classes on the Doordarshan TV channel and radio classes.

PROF A.V.RAMA RAO AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

This year, we were delighted to announce the formation of a new annual award for our academic and performing arts teachers: the Prof A.V.Rama Rao Awards for Excellence in Teaching. This award was established by one of our long-standing sponsors and supporters, Shri Dinkar Rao, in honour and memory of his father, Prof AV Rama Rao who himself was a dedicated teacher.

The three teachers that were nominated from the academic department were:

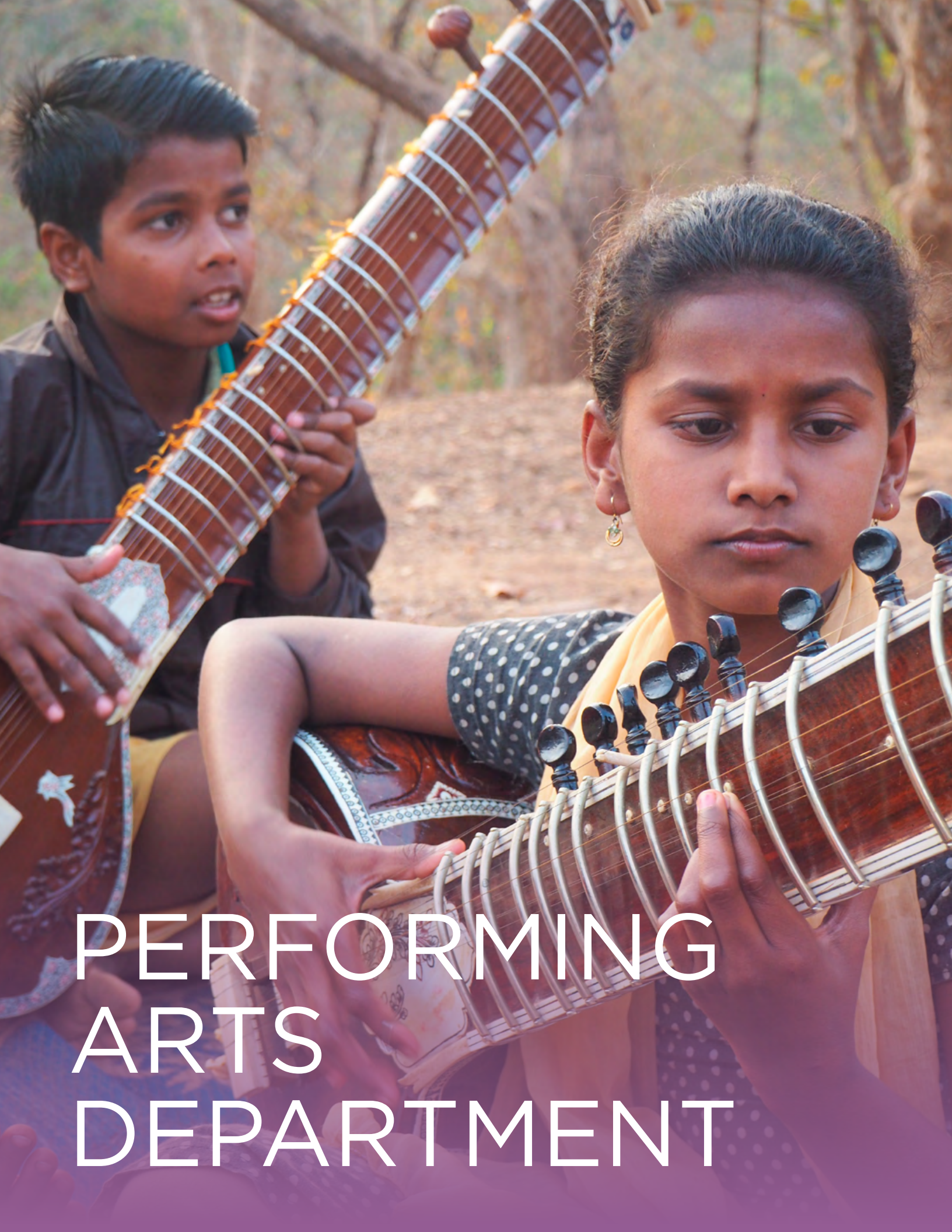
1. Mr. Santosh Hiremath
2. Mr. Bhimray Jadennavar
3. Mrs. Fakkiravva Dandin

The two teachers that were nominated from the performing arts department were:

1. Ms. Vasanti Mutugoor
2. Ms. Sahana Tamanker

Mr. Santosh Hiremath from the academic department and Ms. Vasanti Mutugoor from the performing arts department were the first recipients of the Prof A V Rama Rao awards for Excellence in Teaching for which they each received 15,000.00 INR as a cash prize. The winners and the runners up all had the opportunity to receive mentorship and training for a period of one year.





PERFORMING
ARTS
DEPARTMENT

PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

The most unique element of KSV is the level of intensity spent on the performing arts by children at the primary and secondary levels. Students spend one hour every morning, five days a week, practising their chosen art. Performing arts classes then run from 8.30 am to 11.15 am five days a week. Students are divided into two groups: Elementary Classes (1st to 4th Standard) and Regular Classes (5th to 10th). Elementary classes provide a broad and varied schedule of activities over the course of four years. Children are given an introduction to Hindustani classical music (vocal), introduction to dance (folk & Kathak), and this is combined with activity-based learning, education through games, arts & crafts and sports & games.



For the students from the 5th to 10th standards, the full three hours are dedicated to performing arts classes; most students take two options choosing between vocal, tabla, sitar, Kathak and drama. Students spend one hour every evening, five days a week practising their chosen art.

PERFORMING ARTS

Standard	Subject	Tuition per week (hours)
1 st -4 th	Elementary Classes	15
5 th -10 th	Student's choice: music, dance and drama	15

PERFORMING ARTS EXAMINATIONS

Despite the lack of physical classes due to the COVID pandemic, the Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board did conduct their annual music exams for which we entered five students. All of them passed with an average pass percentage of 87%.

ONLINE CLASSES

As was the case with the academic department, the performing arts department engaged with the students during the COVID pandemic and school closure time via online classes. As it is challenging to conduct online practical classes, the teachers and students concentrated on theory work, followed by the state government junior music exam syllabus.





FUNDRAISING



SPONSORSHIP

KSV runs a successful Child Sponsorship Programme, which is the school's most sustainable and reliable source of funding. The target is for each child to have three sponsors. More than 340 sponsors are actively involved with the KSV students. Last academic year (May 2020-April 2021), KSV recruited 18 new sponsors and maintained an attrition rate of 19%. The sponsorship programme makes up more than 48% of the school's total funding requirements.

Our sponsors come from all around the world; they are American, Australian, Belgian, Canadian, Dutch, Emirati, English, French, German, Indian, Irish, Portuguese, Singaporean, Spanish, Swedish, Swiss, and Venezuelan.

KSV wholeheartedly thanks all of the sponsors who are supporting the students, it means a great deal. More than the mere recipients of a financial contribution, the students have greatly benefited from the communication and engagement with their individual sponsors.

THE KSV PILLARS

This year, the following individuals gave their valuable support to KSV by making a recurring annual donation as part of the KSV Pillars Program:

Mr. Subhash and Mrs. Sarita Gaitonde
Mrs. France Borel
Mr. Jean François Rial

Shri Shankarlal Pokarna Charitable Trust
Mr. Amit Pokarna



PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

We are extremely grateful for the valuable and generous support that we receive from all of our partners, without which we would not be able to provide the support and services that we do to the children at KSV.



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ANNADAAN

With the school remaining closed for the majority of the year, it was not possible for us to collect too many Annadaan donations. However, during the short few weeks that the school was open this academic year, we did receive some Annadaan donations and we are extremely grateful to these individuals for their valuable support during these challenging days.

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Arun Kumar
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Céline Lessard
Christopher Jacquin
Deepa Sarashetti
Devaraj Ayatti
Dhiren Thakkar
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SPECIAL VISITS AND HIGHLIGHTS



SUPPORT FROM THE RONCALLI INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

Our children receive great care due to the dedication of each member of staff and volunteer who put their heart and soul into their work. This is also true for the administration team, who work very hard for the children on a myriad of back-end office tasks. This year, the admin team were delighted to receive new work equipment, which has considerably upgraded their efficiency and performance.

The purchase of new computers, desks and chairs for the office was generously funded by the Roncalli International Foundation.



Roncalli supports various projects by funding renovations, equipment and training.

The KSV students and team wholeheartedly thank the Roncalli International Foundation for their valuable, and on-going, support.





THE TIE AWARD

Earlier this year, and as a part of the TiECON 2021 event organised by the Hubli Chapter of The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE), we were the proud recipients of the Social Enterprise of the Year award.

THE INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

We were delighted to welcome members of the local Indian Red Cross Society who very kindly donated face masks, face shields, hand sanitiser, and de-worming tablets.

It was indeed a pleasure for us to welcome them to the KSV campus, and we are most grateful to Dr. Kavan Deshpande - Chairman of the Indian Red Cross Society Dharwad, and the other members Dr. Umesh Hallikere, Dr. Dheeraj. K.V, Mr. Sunil Bagewadi, and Mr. Martandappa Katti.





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