

CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP AT APS JAMMU CANTT

Teaching is a profession in which capacity building should occur at every stage of the career.

Army Public School Jammu Cantt organised the Capacity Building Workshops for its faculty members from 26th June 2023 to 8th July 2023. Teachers mastered various techniques, methods, ways and skills to improve their teaching pedagogies, better use of technology, professional competencies along with personality development.

On the concluding day the first session was set in motion by Mr Ashish Anand, special educator of the school. He took a practice session with teachers about the fundamentals of Indian Sign Language. Teachers enthusiastically participated and responded to his questions. It was a splendid way to get insight of their learning of sign language.

Mr Puran Chand and Mr Vikas Sharma from Sanskrit Department also took an evaluation of the basic Sanskrit topics taught to the teachers. The response was overwhelming. It was a great acknowledgement for them that facilitators are well versed with basic Sanskrit.

After the enthralling session of Mr Ashish Anand, Ms Devika Bahadur presented an intriguing workshop on developing eating etiquettes amongst children and teachers. The resource person laid stress on equipping children with eating etiquettes like washing hands, sophisticated use of cutlery and table manners. It actually teaches us to respect the served food. Table manners play an important part in making a favourable impression along with professional success.

Ms Puneet Kaur, the Principal of the school took a refreshing and illuminating workshop on Creative Thinking. She spotlighted the importance of developing creative thinking among children as it has a positive influence on students' academic interests and achievements. It fosters social and emotional development by supporting the interception of experiences, actions and events in a novel and meaningful manner. The highlights of the workshop were:

- 4C Model of creativity of Kaufman and Beghetto
- Blocks to creativity
- Approaches to foster creativity
- 5 stages of creative process
- Collaborative learning/ cooperative learning
- Teaching versus learning
- PBL cycle

The workshop successfully culminated with heartfelt vote of thanks by Ms Ramnik Kour.

