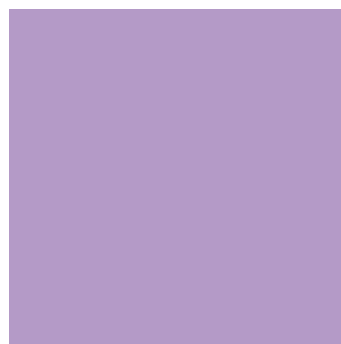
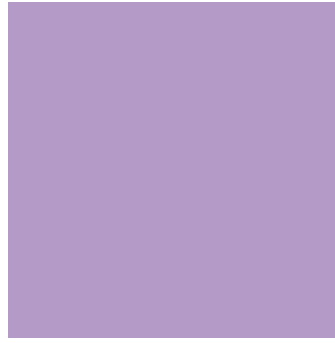




# Annual Report 2017-18





## VISION

Every child empowered,  
educated to excel

## MISSION

To ensure transformational  
change in school going  
children from low income  
background by providing  
them with knowledge,  
values, skills and support  
through joyous, positive  
experiences from  
interaction with well  
intentioned, educated  
adults to help them excel.

## PROGRAM

Our program is primarily  
designed to supplement  
school education in English,  
Math and Science delivered  
by enthusiastic, skilled  
volunteers using a  
curriculum tailored to lead  
our enthusiastic students  
down the path to a well-  
rounded education.





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# Founders Note



Dear SAC family,

“Our greatest natural resource is in the minds of our children” –  
Walter Elias Disney

Every activity and effort at SAC is directed towards nurturing young minds to enable optimize its infinite potential. Over the past year, our baby steps have grown firmer like our conviction and passion to spark a change in the education space. The enthusiasm, intelligence and aspirations of SAC children is our biggest motivator.

This has been an intensely satisfying year of inward focus, of ideation, of new partnerships, of experiencing the power of collective synergy.

We commenced the Intensive Coaching Program for grades 9 & 10 to help them ace board examinations. The Universe blessed us with committed teachers who aligned completely with our cause and mentored kids like their own. It is a matter of great pride for us that all 22 kids coached this year have passed, some of them with distinction. We intend to continue this program and provide financial, emotional and educational support till they become gainfully employed.

Another first this year was our successful participation in the TATA MUMBAI MARATHON. Our Dream Team had SAC kids run with volunteers, trustees and their families. We look forward to making this an annual feature at SAC.

Throw a challenge at a child, give him the freedom to think – he will surprise both himself and you!! Projects made by kids as part of our SCIENCE INNOVATION HUBS in partnership with Universe Simplified was proof of their awesome talent and capacity, given the right opportunity and encouragement. Needless to say, Science Hubs will now form part of every center at SAC.

In today's fast paced world, values, social and emotional skills are as important as education in building a well-rounded personality. As part of our mission to provide meaningful, holistic growth to kids, the coming year will see a few more partnerships with like-minded institutions for programs in life-skills, career and vocational guidance and employability. With our passionate team, committed to excellence, another focus area will be improvement of processes and structures to create maximum impact.

Our journey is possible only with people like you, who believe in the cause, trust in our efforts and partner in our vision. Together, lets spark a change, to create a positive, inclusive and equal tomorrow.

**Avani and Nirmala**  
Founder Trustees  
Spark-A-Change Foundation



# Picture Tale: Curricular

The focus of the co-curricular part of the program is to work towards the development of a well-rounded personality through value education, activities and experiences.

**Experiential learning.**



**Interactive learning**



**Visual teaching aids used for higher grades.**



**Computer Literacy for higher grades.**



**SAC Workbooks for all grades**



**Hands-on learning of scientific facts culminating in Science Fair 2018**





# Picture Tale: Co-Curricular

The focus of the co-curricular part of the program is to work towards the development of a well-rounded personality through value education, activities and experiences.



SAC Annual Sports Day 2018



Dream Run Team for Tata Mumbai Marathon 2018



Celebration of festive days with art & craft workshops.



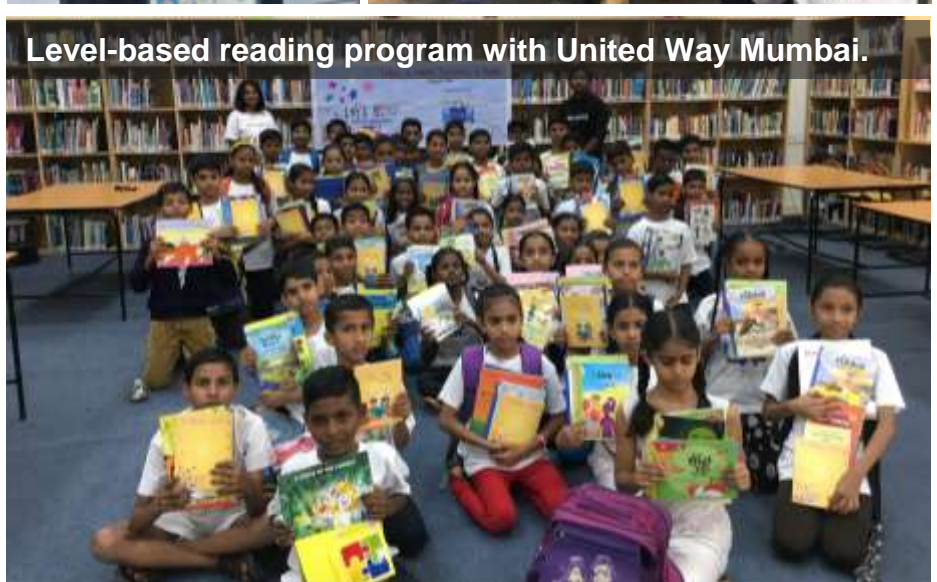
English through Art.



Football fundamentals with students pursuing Social Service programs.



Level-based reading program with United Way Mumbai.





# Curriculum Details

SAC believes in a well structured holistic curriculum and has been working on it for the past two years. It has developed its own curriculum and adopted those available to come up with a progressive syllabus.

The Curriculum is concentrated mainly on three subjects:

- \* English Language
- \* Mathematics
- \* Science

The English Language curriculum focuses mainly on:

- \*strengthening comprehension skills
- \*developing written and conversational capabilities
- \*usage of basic, simple and correct grammar
- \*language appreciation and creative writing skills
- \*Vocabulary building through Art

The Mathematics curriculum aims mainly to:

- \*develop expertise on basic mathematical operations
- \*strengthen grade specific concepts in arithmetic, algebra and geometry
- \*build skills to convert sentences into mathematical statements with the dual purpose of language comprehension and understanding of mathematical operations.

The Science curriculum is introduced in the secondary grades. A science hub for experiential learning has been introduced this year.

Grades 9 and 10 are enrolled into an in-house intensive coaching program to prepare for the upcoming board exams.

Co-curricular activities are encouraged for all-round development. Children are enrolled for sports such as cricket and football, art, craft, dance and music workshops, speech and drama classes to chisel them in the best way possible.

Post Grade 10, children are admitted to MS-CIT Computer Certification program to help them get college ready.

# Our little Sparks



## SNACK BOXES

SAC children were gifted tiffin boxes by generous donors for our daily snack program. No more snacks packed in plastic bags,,allowing us to make the food fresher, healthier and more nutritious.

## PENCILS OVER PENS

SAC makes a small attempt at keeping our land less clogged with plastic. It turns to reusable pen-pencils and wooden pencils!



## CRICKET BY CHANCE

Sumit Vishwakarma, a chirpy 11 year old, his eyes would light up at the mention of cricket. While others his age wished for mobile watches, clothes, etc, he wanted to be sent for cricket coaching.

A chance game of cricket during our Diwali party with Dimple Kharbanda, an avid cricket player herself, landed Sumit with a mentor and sponsored coaching.

## FOOTBALLING AHEAD

24 U12 children from Spark-A-Change Foundation were taken on by the Fitness Club of Mumbaikars into an intensive football coaching program. We hope to see them in the i-League games and move on to represent their state and country.





# Our little Sparks



## SELF DEFENCE

50 SAC girls completed their basic level in self defence at Women's Self Defence Center-WSDC Andheri. An initiative by Akshay Kumar and Aaditya Thackeray (Yuva Sena).

## OUR 2 SECONDS OF FAME

The Little League moulded 16 children from SAC in the game of football and they unleashed their skills on the ground, landing themselves and us a mention in the daily newspaper Times Of India.



## REUSE REDUCE RECYCLE

In a bid to spread awareness about "Reuse Reduce Recycle" and sustain a path towards Zero Garbage, The Segregation and No plastic Bag rally was held on Nov 18th .

SAC kids participated in the rally led by MLA Ameet Satam, Corporator Renu Hansraj, Tania Dias founder of In a Nutshell Foundation and Dr. Anjali Chhabria, voicing their concerns with slogans and posters.

# Activity Calendar

April '17

SAC Summer Camp  
Mumbai Darshan celebrating World Heritage Day



May

Computer classes  
Parent Teacher Meeting



June

Teacher Training with SOL's Arc: Session 1



July

New SAC Centre at Irla  
Science Hub in partnership with Universe Simplified  
Intensive Coaching for Grade 10 students  
Inclusion of the E-Learning Kit as a teaching aid  
Teacher Training with SOL's Arc: Session 2



August

Workshop on Basic Human Rights  
Movie Screening: Toilet-Ek Prem Katha  
Employee Engagement -Thomson Reuters  
Making Eco-Friendly Idols of Ganesha  
Cascade Aashayein



September

Workshop on Gender Equality  
Gift a Tale on International Literacy Day  
Art competition on International Literacy Day

October

Daanutsav- The Joy of giving week  
Celebrating Joy of Giving with SOPAN  
Employee Engagement- UPS  
Diwali celebration  
Social Media Awareness Workshop for our Volunteers

November

Employee Engagement – Deutsche Bank  
– Deloitte Shared Services  
Children's Day Celebrations with SRK  
Inspire2Aspire  
– Session 1: Laxman Uttekar Cinematographer  
– Session 2: Venika Mitra Film Director  
Awareness March for "Reuse Reduce Recycle"





# Activity Calendar

## December

Inspire2Aspire – Session 3: Abhinanda Bhattacharya  
Food Blogger  
– Session 4: Aditi Goel  
Food Styling & Culinary Expertise  
Christmas Celebrations



## February

Sports day  
Movie Screening- "Padman"  
Inspire2Aspire – Session 7: Hrishikesh Kannan  
(Hrishi K) Radio Jockey  
Star Gazing Camp



## April

IPL match – Education and Sports for All  
Football Coaching  
Self Defence Camp for girls  
Workshop on Life Skills  
Computer course MSCIT  
Reading Program with Pratham STEM books  
Summer camp 2017  
Intensive Coaching for grades 9 and 10



## January '18

Makar Sankranti  
Let's Read Program  
Tata Mumbai Marathon 2018



## March

Indradhanush - Annual day and Science Fair  
Talk on Eating Habits  
Staying Fit on Women's Day with Sportobuddy



## May

Parent Teacher Meeting  
Musical Play – Growing Up  
Musical Play – Aladdin  
Laughter Meditation  
MSCIT course enrollment for 15 children



# Spotlight

## Indradhanush 2018



Indradhanush 2018- SAC Annual Day and Science Fair, was a time of reflection and resolution. SAC celebrated its 2nd Annual Day with dance, music, medals and proudly showcased the science projects put together by the 24 children who were enrolled in the Science Program.



# Science Hub



Weekly hands-on science program was initiated this year in partnership with Universe Simplified. 24 children from grade 9 and 10 were exposed to a world of experimental science. The children were also taken for Maker Mela, where they saw and learnt about many new inventions. A star-gazing trip to Asangaon got them questioning about the Universe!







Inspire2Aspire was born out of the realisation of the need for the children of SAC to be exposed to the different vocations that could be available to them. The want to inspire them to think beyond the box and aspire to achieve off-beat goals got us to arrange a weekly talk by reknowned professionals from different walks of life for kids of grades 8 and above.



# Teacher Training



Spark-A-Change Foundation is primarily made up of volunteers with no teaching background. To strengthen their teaching skills and arm them with the correct delivery mechanism of the lessons planned, 30 volunteers went through an intensive Teacher Training program outlined by SOL's Arc, an NGO which is into developing curriculum for rural and special education.



# DaanUtsav – The Joy of Giving Week



This DaanUtsav, we got our children to put up their wishes and love poured in form of gifts from all directions. All our 320 children were gifted their wishes from generous donors. Not only did the children of SAC receive gifts, but they also learnt to give generously. They interacted with the students of SOPAN, an NGO educating kids with Autism, lovingly and affectionately filled colours of joy and happiness into rangolis, and made long-lasting friends.



# Social Engagements

## Schools, Colleges & NGOs



SAC teamed up with organisations like United Way Mumbai, Singapore International School, Jamnabai Narsee International School, Jamnabai Narsee School, Ecole Mondiale World School, NMIMS Navi Mumbai and Arya Vidya Mandi School Juhu for varied interactive programs between the students of the organisation and SAC students. The association with the esteemed organisations has forged a relationship of learning and holistic growth for participants from both sides.



# Corporate Employee Engagement



This year SAC saw fun-filled interactions with employees of companies like Deloitte Shared Services, Deutsche Bank, Thomson Reuters and UPS. Meaningful time spent with the employees through games, quizzes, role plays related to social awareness, gave the children of SAC a different and enjoyable learning experience.





# SAC "KING of MOMENTS"



5,773 likes

iamsrk Always good to receive gifts that are as beautiful as these... thank you to all the kind hearted children at @sparkachangefoundation ! Keep spreading the smiles... #MeerFoundation



He laughed, hugged, jived, loved, sang, celebrated, pampered, heard, spoke, gifted, partied and made 100 children of SAC feel most special on Children's Day. The King of Hearts, Mr. Shah Rukh Khan and his wonderful team, arranged the most unforgettable party of the year. A memory the children will hold very close to their heart.





## SAC “MOMENT of PRIDE”



22 children appeared this academic year for their SSC board exams. Intensive coaching by Seema Kadwani, Hanumanta Natekar and Kalpesh Rajput, coupled with periodic Parent-Teacher Meetings helped ensure a 100% result this year too.

Six children scoring over 70%, the highest being 79%. Many want to pursue commerce, are currently awaiting admissions into colleges like Rizvi College, Walia College and Vidhyanidhi College.

They brought us immense pride while setting a benchmark for the future.





# Nutrition Program



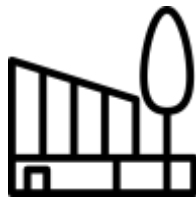
In a healthy body lives a healthy mind is SAC's mantra. A daily snack is provided to the children, to help them focus on lessons better. SAC tries to make it as nutritional as possible.

Snacks such as fruits, poha, idli, thepla, vegetable pulao, puri-bhaji and milk bottles are organised for the 320 children across the three centres.

It is supported in this endeavor by sponsors like Team Spreading Smiles, Friday Kitchen, Good Deeds and Nalini Manakatala who bring in a weekly snack through the year.



# The Year Ahead



## In the Pipeline

Partnerships with organisations for:

- \* Life Skills Development
- \* Vocational Courses
- \* Career Counselling

2 new centres are on the anvil this year



## Our Admin Family is Growing

We now have

- \* 2 part-time staff for center management
- \* a social media company hired to achieve our growing needs.



## Science Curriculum

A Science Hub for 24 children was started off at the Lokhandwala centre in June 2017.

This academic year, the Hub extends to our Juhu center too to cover 50 children.



# Balance Sheet

**THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT, 1950**  
**SCHEDULE - VIII [Vide Rule 17(1) ]**  
**SPARK-A-CHANGE FOUNDATION**  
 Reg.No P.T.R -E-31084 (Mum)  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2018**

2016-17		2017-18		2016-17		2017-18	
(RS.)	FUNDS & LIABILITIES	(RS.)	(RS.)	(RS.)	PROPERTY & ASSETS	(RS.)	(RS.)
	<b>CORPUS FUND</b>				<b>Immovable Properties</b>		
15,000	Trust Fund				Balance as per Last B/s	-	
	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	15,000			Add: During the year	-	
-	Add-during the year	-			Less : Sales	-	
15,000			15,000		<b>Movable Properties</b>		
	<b>Current Liabilities</b>				Balance as per Last B/s	-	
	Outstanding Liabilities		53,006		Add: During the year	-	
					Less : Sales	-	
					Less: Depreciation	-	Nil
	<b>INCOME &amp; EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT</b>				<b>Loans &amp; Advances</b>		
5,93,055	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	5,93,055	9,71,459	6,000	To Employees		
2,54,782	Add/Less:Deficit/ (Surplus)	3,78,404			To Others		21,049
3,38,273					<b>Income Outstanding</b>		Nil
					<b>Cash &amp; Bank Balances</b>		
				53,890	Cash balance	43,517	
				2,98,165	Bank balance	1,74,899	
				2,50,000	Fixed deposits	6,00,000	
					HDFC Liquid Fund	2,00,000	10,18,416
6,08,055			10,39,465	6,08,055			10,39,465

As per our Report Attached

For AFS & Company  
Chartered Accountants



Anwar Shaikh  
Place:- Mumbai  
Dated : 20/06/2018

FOR SPARK-A-CHANGE FOUNDATION



Trustee  
Place:- Mumbai  
Dated : 20/06/2018



# Income & Expenditure

**THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT, 1950**  
**SCHEDULE - VIII [Vide Rule 17(1)]**

**SPARK-A-CHANGE FOUNDATION**  
**Reg. No P.T.R -E-31084 (Mum)**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 2018**

2016-17 (RS.)	Expenditures	2017-18		2016-17 (RS.)	Incomes	2017-18	
		(RS.)	(RS.)			(RS.)	(RS.)
Nil	To Expenditure in respect of Properties				By Interest (accrued) (realised)		
-	Rent	-	Nil		Saving Bank Account	12,594	
	Expenditure towards specific	-	-	21,134	Fixed deposits	12,682	
					Loans	-	
	<b>To Establishment Expenses</b>		67,084		Securities	-	25,276
8,550	Audit Fees	8,000			By Donations		15,92,626
12,500	Registration Fees	-		10,22,001			
7,500	Salary - Watchman	10,000			By Income From other sources		Nil
7,500	Repairs and Maintenance	4,464			By Transfer from Reserves		Nil
5,988	Legal & Professional Fees	21,000					
1,125	Bank Charges	2,131					
2,745	Miscellaneous Exp	8,945					
	Conveyance	12,544					
	<b>To Expenditure on the object of the Trust</b>						
6,58,955	Educational Program Expenses	11,72,415	11,72,415				
3,38,272.50	To Surplus carried over to Balance Sheet		3,78,404				
10,43,135							
		16,17,902	16,17,902	10,43,135			16,17,902

As per our Report Attached  
For AFS & Company  
Chartered Accountants

Anwar Shaikh  
Mumbai Dated : 20/06/2018

FOR SPARK-A-CHANGE FOUNDATION

Trustees





# Core Team



**Avani  
Dalal**

An Electronic Engineer, a graphic designer, an animator and a passionate social worker wedded to the cause of SAC. Avani brings her creative expertise and intuitive understanding of children to enhance various facets of teaching methodologies.



**Nirmala  
Venkatesan**

A Chartered Accountant to a homemaker & a mother who found her calling in the SAC cause. Nirmala firmly believes that meaningful literacy with equal opportunities for every child is the only way to achieve national progress. She takes charge of finance, compliance, systems and process development for SAC.



**Gauri  
Gupta**

Gauri started with SAC as a volunteer and has played a pivotal role in planning community events. Her expertise in Public Relations and Corporate Connects also serve a larger cause at SAC.



**Payal Choksi  
Thanawala**

Payal is a Chartered Accountant and entrepreneur. She takes charge of book-keeping, accounting processes, budgeting and internal audit.



# Our Sponsors

A big THANK YOU to all our supporters. None of what we have managed to do so far would have been possible without your support.

\*Donors who have made a contribution > Rs. 5000 listed in alphabetical order

- Aditya Mokshi Foundation
- Ajay Kishinchand Rohira
- Ajay Modgil
- Ajay Saboo
- Ali Sameer Taki
- Amol Jain
- Anant Kanoi
- Aneel Hudaale
- Anil Gogia
- Anoj Menon
- Anuradha Saraf
- Arjun Kanoi
- Bharti Enterprise
- Bindu Mehta
- Chandrashekhar Gopinathan
- Darayus Talati
- Deepak Jain
- Deloitte Shared Services India LLP
- Dimple Kharbanda
- Durga Devi N Murjani
- Gauri Gupta
- IWC Bombay Airport
- Jagmohan Bhatt
- Kamal Gupta
- Kanchan Jain
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- Karanveer Singh Bawa
- Kavita Patel
- Keyuri Mahesh Shah
- Kirit Mathuradas Ved
- Krishna Kumar Karwa
- Mala Wadhvani
- Malathi Gopinathan
- Manish PrithviRaj Kapadia
- Manoj Jain
- Nagnath V Pai
- Nalini Manaktala
- Nandan Venkatesan
- Neetu Luthria
- Nidhi Kanoi
- Poonam Franco
- Pratiksha Jain
- R. Venkatesan
- Rahul Jain
- Rakhee Bagheria
- Raksha Pathare
- Ranjit Nambiar
- Renuka R. Dalal
- Revathi Balakrishnan
- Sadhana Thakrar
- Samir Patel
- Saroj Dalal
- Sheila Merani
- Shetu Parekh
- Shikha Jain
- Soha Ali Khan
- Sujatha Jain
- Surabhi Mehta
- Team Spreading Smiles
- Transal International
- V.K.Chopra
- Vinay Bharti
- Vipin Sankhe





# Our Supporters

We would like to thank our partner organisations and individuals for their invaluable support in providing infrastructure, facilities and for organising events for our children.

- ATMA Education
- Book-A-Smile
- Brinston Miranda
- Celebration Sports Club
- Concern India Foundation
- Friday Kitchen
- Happy Women Happy World
- Good Deeds
- Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Airport
- Jagmohan Papneja
- Juhu Vile Parle Gymkhana Club
- Meenal Sata
- Meer Foundation
- Minima Barboza
- Nandan Venkatesan
- Reliance Foundation
- Samartha Whaa Classes-
  - \* Hanumanta Natekar
  - \* Kalpesh Rajput
- Seema Kadwani
- Singapore International School
- Sol's Arc
- The Little League
- Team Spreading Smiles
- United Way Of Mumbai
- Vidyanidhi Info Tech Academy



# Get involved



## Sponsor

Computer classes @ Rs. 2000/ child  
Snacks for a day for 100 kids @ Rs. 1500  
Stationery kit @ Rs. 5000 for 100 kids  
Science camp @ Rs. 5000 pm for 25 kids  
Intensive coaching @ Rs. 10000 per child  
Football Coaching @ Rs. 1500 per child  
Cricket Coaching @ Rs. 10000 per child



## Volunteer

To teach 2-3 hours weekly  
To conduct an art, craft, dance, music,  
science or story session  
Celebrate special days with us



## Donate

All donations made to our foundation are eligible for deductions under section 80G and go directly towards supporting and improving our facilities and capabilities.





# Information

## **Trust information**

Trust registration number: E31084

PAN: AAPTS1938Q

80G certificate number: CIT(E)/80G/1184/2016-17

## **Registered office**

1202, Raheja Classique - 5,  
New Link Road,  
Andheri West,  
Mumbai - 53

## **Bankers**

HDFC Bank, Lokhandwala Branch  
Account name: SPARK-A-CHANGE  
FOUNDATION  
IFSC : HDFC0000159  
Account type: Savings  
Account number: 50100100619860

## **Statutory auditors**

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A/702, Shaheen Chambers  
Dawood Baug Cross Lane, Andheri West  
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