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Place: Ashtavakra School

On 2nd April, the world celebrates *Autism Day* and every individual has its own way to honour this day. So, every year on this auspicious day the department of Autism brings up various fun activities for all the students of Ashtavakra School.

This event had a great support by the faculty members, Mrs. Anupama Gupta and Ms. Tanya, and of course, a helping hand from all the students of D.Ed and B.Ed who volunteered for the same.

The programme started at 10:30am and students arrived in the activity area in a group of 5 to 6.

A few volunteers were appointed to bring the students in the activity area and also escort them in their respective classes.



Activities:

HAND PRINTING: The first activity, where volunteers applied paint on children's palms. Then the children went to print their hands on the chart paper stuck on the wall. It was beautiful to see different shades of colours with different sizes of handprints alluding to the fact that "each child is uniquely created!"



SPONGE PAINTING: In this, the students were enjoying dipping their bare hands in the bucket/tub filled with coloured water, containing a sponge. The next step was to take out that sponge from that same bucket and to gently throw it on the chart paper on the wall.



SENSORY ACTIVITY: It was a sensory play where students took a walk in the water (below the knee-level) which had marbles in it.

BALLOON PAINTING: This activity dealt with a little collection of inflated balloons dipped in various painting colours. In this, the students were holding the balloons and dabbing on the given sheets with various drawings and shapes to have colourful pictures.



THUMB PAINTING: In this activity, the volunteers painted the thumb of the students with their desired colours. Now the students were to print their thumbs on the given sheets and colour the drawing on their sheets with colourful thumb painting.



HIT THE TARGET: The volunteers made a pyramid of paper glasses for this play. The students had a ball in their hands and the volunteers explained the children to aim for the glasses. The students tried to target the glasses and seemed to enjoy the activity.



