

Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

a school with a difference

**Annual Report
2016-2017**



**Kalkeri
Sangeet
Vidyalaya**

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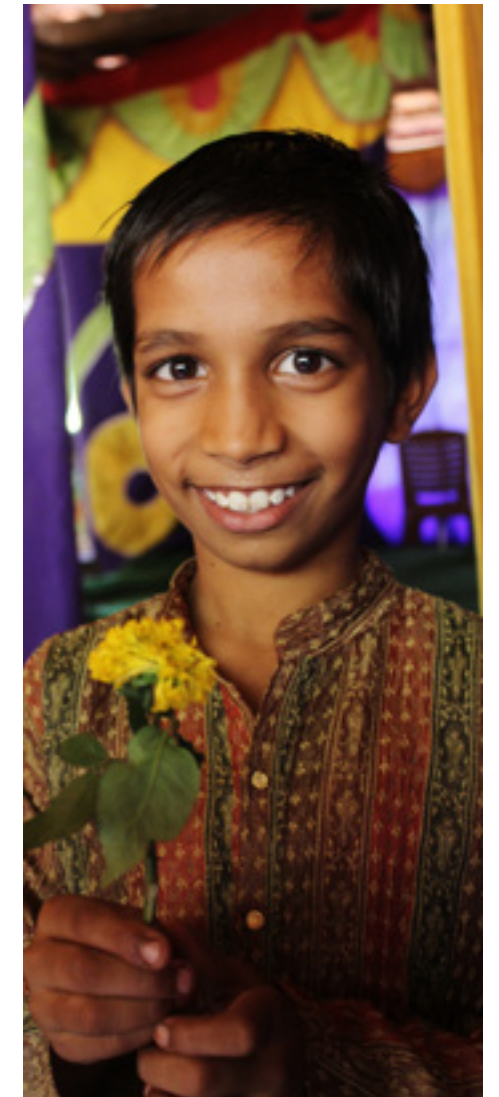
Introduction

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.

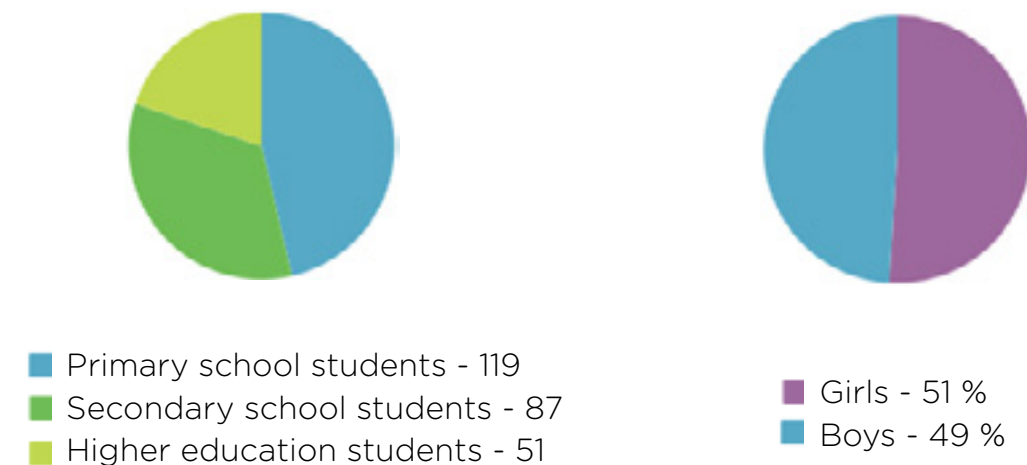
In such an atmosphere, the children learn many social skills, receive a nutritious diet and adequate healthcare services. Care, love and compassion are fundamental elements of the whole process.

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 257 students from 6 to 25 years old. Students are supported from 1st standard to the end of their studies.



2016-2017 Students



Members of the Managing Committee

President

Naveen Jha

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Deshpande Foundation

Treasurer

Girish Sanzgiri

Music teacher and Faculty member at the music school in Puttaparthi.

Secretary

Adam Woodward

Director, Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

Members

Arun Bellary

Managing Director at Asarva

Mathieu Fortier

Cofounder, Jeunes musiciens du monde - Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

K.L. Patil

Lawyer

Agathe Fortier

Cofounder, Jeunes musiciens du monde - Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya

Avinash Patil

Account



Members of the Staff

The KSV family 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 75 members of staff and two long-term interns (2-year internships) across its Academic, Performing Arts, Student Welfare, Administration, Kitchen and Maintenance departments. 62 employees are full time and 15 are part time. Excluding the School Director and two interns, the entire workforce have been recruited locally and all staff members are based at the campus in Kalker.

Administration department

Director : Adam Woodward
General Manager : Yashwant Shinde
Account Assistant : Kavita Hiremath
Human Resources Executive : Santosh Pujar
Volunteer Coordinator : Améthyse Ouedrago
Sponsorship Coordinator : Sarah Tavernier
Driver : Chandrashekhar Pagoji
Security guard : Anand Waddar
Security guard : Pakkappa Pagoji

Academic department

Director of Academic Studies : Sudharm Basapur
Teachers :
1st Standard : Bhimray Jadennavar
2nd Standard : Mareembhanu K Adoni
2nd Standard : Jeejabai. Koladar
3rd Standard : Fakkiravva Dandin
3rd Standard : Basavaraj Khajagunatti
5th Standard : Santosh Hiremath
Social sciences : Mohamedali.S.Wallikar
Mathematics : M.B.Shaikh
Mathematics : Ningappa Badiger
Science : Rajashekharayya.S.Kalagi
Science : Girja. N. Pujar
English : Varun Naik
Kannada : Vimala Patil
Hindi : Nalina Badiger

Elementary department

Teachers :
General : Rekha G. Baledamath
General : Nanda Pagoji
Craft : Roopa Holehonnurmath
Sports : Sunil Goravanakolla
Vocal EL : Sahana Tamhankar

Performing Arts department

Director of Performing Arts : Veeranna Pattar
Teachers:
Tabla : A L Desai
Sitar : Noorjahan. A. Nadaf
Dance : Vijeta Vernekar
Drama : Veeranna Pattar
Sitar : Mohasin Khan
Vocal : Manjunath Bhajantri
Vocal : Shruti Naik
Vocal : Sujit Kulkarni
Vocal EL : Anand Kambar

Student Welfare department

Director of Students' Welfare : Girija Patil
Wardens :
Pakkamma Pagoji
Shridevi Gemappa Chawan
Santosh I Kalaghatagi
Supritha H. S
Geeta Gouda
Sunanda Pujer
Arsiyabegum Nadaf
Shruti.Kamatar
Basavaraj Doddamani
Kumar Patrot
Ningappa Talawar
Seeranahalli Banashankari
Shivanagouda Patil
Anupama Doddamani
Bhagya Mudakannavar

Kitchen department

Head cook : Pakkappa Pagoji
Assistants :
Gangavva Javalli
Mahadevi Goudar
Savitri Goudar
Renavva Mummigatti
Sarita Naikar

Maintenance department

Supervisor : Arjun Bangadi
Foreman : Dharmraj Walikar
Team :
Laxmibhai Pagoji
Hanumavva Mummigatti
Premavva Mummigatti
Jannabai Toravatt
Bagubhai Kokare
Sahu Kokare
Mahadev Javalli
Vittu Lambore
Ravi Vaddar
Hanumant Walikar
Bommu Toravatt
Maruti Naikar
Tammanna Naikar



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. It is based on the children's interest and allows 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 flash cards, charts, counting-beads, number cards, cards of different shapes, currency, blocks, puzzle games and activity books.

| 2016-2017 Students | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|------|-------|-------|
| Standard | Age Range (yrs) | Boys | Girls | Total |
| 1st | 6 - 7 | 7 | 11 | 18 |
| 2nd | 7 - 8 | 9 | 13 | 22 |
| 3rd | 8 - 9 | 15 | 15 | 30 |
| 4th | 9 - 10 | 12 | 12 | 24 |
| 5th | 10 - 11 | 15 | 10 | 25 |
| 6th | 11 - 12 | 7 | 13 | 20 |
| 7th | 12 - 13 | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| 8th | 13 - 14 | 10 | 9 | 19 |
| 9th | 14 - 15 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| 10th | 15 - 16 | 10 | 9 | 19 |
| Higher Education | 16 - 25 | 30 | 21 | 51 |
| | Total | 126 | 131 | 257 |



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 hour per student every week | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|
| 1st-4th | Kannada | 3-4 |
| | English | 4 |
| | Maths | 5 |
| | Environmental Science | 5 |
| | Story Telling | 2 |
| | Games | 2 |
| | Art | 2 |
| 5th-10th | Kannada | 3 |
| | English | 3 |
| | Hindi | 3 |
| | Maths | 4 |
| | Science | 4 |
| | Social Science | 2-3 |
| | Computer Studies | 1 |
| | Art | 1 |
| | Sport | 1-2 |



Higher Education

50 students have completed 10th standard and are now persuing their studies:

- 26 students are currently in PUC College.
- 16 students are in an Under-Graduate degree programmes.
- 4 students are in Post-Graduate degree programmes.
- 5 students are in vocational training courses.



Alumni

This year, six students completed their Masters in Music. Three of them were briefly teachers at KSV before they moved to Dharwad to work as music teachers (tabla and vocals).



Academic Examinations

- 100% of the students passed their annual internal academic exams with an average pass rate of 65%.
- There are no traditional exams for the 1st to 7th standard students.
- The 10th Standard examination results were announced in May 2017. All of the nineteen students passed their Secondary School Leaving Certificate exams, thereby maintaining the 100% pass-rate.
- The average pass mark was 73% and Sakrubhai Kokare came top of the class with 83%.
- All of the students from the 10th Standard will be going to college this year as they were admitted in PU Colleges in Dharwad.
- 46% of students finishing college continuing their education by starting an undergraduate degree.
- Those who aren't continuing went straight into employment.
- 100% of undergraduates finishing their bachelors are continuing their studies either starting a new bachelor's degree or starting a Masters.



Academic Regular Activities

Weekly - Guest Speaker Session

Every Saturday morning from 11.30am to 12.30pm there is a guest speaker session whereby a speaker from outside, or one of our volunteers or members of staff is invited to speak to the students in the 5th standard and above about a specific topic.

Weekly - Green Time

Every Saturday afternoon from 2.00pm to 4.30pm the students take part in "Green Time". The intention behind this is ensure the students become more aware regarding the environment. Activities include: gardening, recycling, natural cosmetics, art from recycled materials, herbarium, mud sculptures, etc.

Throughout the Year - House Competitions

This year, the "House System" was implanted. Six houses were created and named after Hindustani classical sangeet gharanas (families/houses): Agra, Gwalior, Kirana, Jaipur, Patiala & Rampur. Each child is allocated a house, and houses are balanced according to age, gender and families. Throughout the year there are various competitions where the children take part and represent their houses. The winners are credited with house points.

The House System is linked to the discipline system. Any child going beyond what is normally expected of them may be awarded a star. Any child with serious misbehaviour may be awarded a stripe. At the end of the year stars, stripes and house points are tallied to see who wins the house shield.

The competitions that the children take part in that are related to the house system are as follows:

- o Olympic Games - Winners - Jaipur
- o Music Competition - Winners - Patiala
- o Elementary Classes Competition - Winners - Gwalior
- o Debate Competition - Winners - Patiala
- o Green Time Competition - Winners - Patiala

Gwalior House were the first winners of the House Shield.

The house system is meant to : create a supportive environment, create a sense of unity, promote healthy competition, promote cooperation within the houses, promote good behaviour, promote a sense of pride and loyalty, help older and younger students to mix, help new students to integrate and develop a sense of belonging, create a sense of history within the school and place an element of the discipline management in the hands of the students.



Academic Extra Activities

Pratibha Karangi 2016 - Primary School Competition

This competition is carried out in three phases: the first phase is at the cluster level with the schools of the area taking part. The winners from the first phase go on to the second phase at the block level, and then finally the winners from there go on to the final phase which is at the district level.

Our students had prepared very well for these competitions and gave outstanding performances on those days and some of them proudly reached the District level.

The competition was split into two groups: one group was the upper primary, 5th to 7th Standards, and the second group was the lower primary, 1st to 4th Standards. The results were as follows:

Cluster Level

On the 25th of August, 70 students represented KSV at the Cluster level and collected 24 first places, 11 second places and 6 third places.

Taluka level

On the 29th of September, 24 students represented KSV at the Taluka level and collected 7 first places, 3 second places and 2 third places.

District level

On the 7th and the 8th of September, 7 students represented KSV at the District level and collected 4 second places and 1 third place.



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 level. Students spend one hour every morning, six days a week practicing their chosen art. Performing arts classes then run from 8.30 am to 11.30 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 is dedicated to performing arts classes; most students take two options choosing between: vocal, tabla, sitar, violin, bansuri, Kathak dance and drama.

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

Performing Arts Examinations

Gandharva Mahavidyalaya Music & Dance Exams

- KSV entered 45 students for the exams
- 100% of students passed with an average pass rate of 74%.

KSV Internal Music/Dance/Drama exam

- 87 students were entered for this exam.
- 100% of them passed with average pass mark of 82%

Performing Arts Regular Activities

- **Monthly - Music Programs**

On the last Sunday of each month KSV hosts the Monthly Music Program; this is an opportunity to showcase the talent and achievements of the students. Guest artists are invited to perform alongside the students and teachers. This monthly event strengthens the feeling of unity by involving the entire music and academic staff, develops the social and cultural network and opens the school to the world. Moreover, the project allows the parents to see their children on stage.

These programs have attracted several Guest Artists and Chief Guests and have been a great opportunity to promote the school and to attract donors and supporters.

Guests artists :

- Kumari Chaitra Betageri
- Smt Shakti Patil
- Dr Jyoti Kudligi
- Dr Gayatri Deshpande
- Ashok Huggannavar

Chief Guests :

- Shri Raveendra Kavali
Deputy Commissioner for Transportation
Officer in Hubli-Dharwad
- Shri Sudheer Kshatri
Class-One Electrical Contractor in Dharwad
- Shri Naveen Jha
President of KSV's Managing committee and his wife Smt Neelam Maheshwari
- Shri Arun Bellary
Member of KSV's Managing committee
- Juliette, Marie and Cécile
Namaste Association
- Mr Rajendra Gokhale
Dharwad



Performing Arts

Extra Activities

State Level Dance Competition in Pune

Two students, Laxmi and Sarita entered a state level dance competition; Sarita came 2nd in Odissi Dance, and Laxmi 3rd in Kathak Dance.

Suvarna Soudha in Belagavi

Many students performed at Suvarna Soudha in Belagavi on the occasion of the State Level Artistic Prize.

State level competition, Youth Festival in Mysore

Two students, Sarita and Laxmi, respectively ranked 2nd in Odissi Dance and 3rd in Kathak Dance in the State level competition at Youth Festival in Mysore.



Health and Welfare Department

As a residential school, the health and welfare of the children is KSV's responsibility. Three nutritious home-cooked South Indian vegetarian meals are provided every day. In total, the school's kitchen staff currently caters for over 300 people, including students, staff and volunteers.

KSV runs a small infirmary on campus, 'the Bobo House', managed by volunteer healthcare professionals. This facility is sufficient to deal with basic medical needs of the children, staff and volunteers but for more serious health issues, members of staff or volunteers escort children to one of the local hospitals in Dharwad, several of which KSV has a relationship with that entitles the school to free or reduced cost treatment and medicines.

Every week, all the students receive vitamins and Iron supplements to prevent anemia and other health problems.

A new program was instored to take care of the students' emotional needs. Different strategies are now applied to make sure every kid receive the attention and care they need. The students also have acces to psychological services in Dharward if needed.



Volunteers

This year KSV welcomed 34 volunteers coming from Canada, France, India, Germany, United Kingdom and Spain. Four former volunteers came back for the 2nd or 3rd time. The volunteers stayed for periods between four months and one year. All of them came to KSV to share their time, knowledge and energy with the children. Their involvement gives the children the opportunity to learn about cultural differences and allows them to understand the world from a broader point of view. All the volunteers are chosen to fulfill tasks based upon their qualifications, experience and capabilities.

Nurse Internship

Again this year, KSV was delighted to receive four students nurse from the Faculty of Nursing Science of Laval University, Quebec City, for a nine weeks internship.

Project PEACH

This year, we had the chance to welcome Olivia Mouchette from the project PEACH Teach for Peace, a project of cultural exchange between schools from various countries around the world. Olivia was conducting workshops around the story of The Little Prince with the students.

As well as giving their time, volunteers also make a financial contribution to KSV for their stay. This equates to 12% of KSV's annual funds.



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 two sponsors. More than 335 sponsors are actively involved with KSV students. Last academic year (May 2016-April 2017) KSV recruited 56 new sponsors and maintained a low attrition rate of 2%. The sponsorship programme makes up 53% of the school's total funds.

Sponsors come from many different nationalities: Canadians, Indians, French, German, English, Australian, Belgian, Spanish, American, Irish, Italian, Mauritian, Portuguese, Swedish and Swiss.

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



Partner Organizations

- **Jeunes musiciens du monde**
- **Congrégation de Notre-Dame**
- **Namaste Association**
- **Development Sans Frontieres DSF / GINKGO**
- **Deshpande Foundation**
- **ICDE India**
- **KVG Bank**

Special thanks to Priyanka Khandelwal, Deepika Goyal, Chirag Mehta, Mohit Vyas, Nishant Khandelwal, Nuecy Jain and Ankit Maheshwari, the eight runners who ran the United Way Mumbai Marathon to raise funds for KSV.

The KSV Pillars

This year the following individuals gave their support to KSV by making recurring donations as part of the Pillars Program:

- Anurag Nema
- Azim F Pradhan
- Cdr Paresh Kowli
- Sanjeev Siddhu
- Yogini Gandhi





Special Visits and Highlights

- **Throughout the Year - Celebrating festivals**

Throughout the year several religious festivals, national holidays and other important days such as: Independence Day, Ganesh Chaturthi, Republic Day, Raksha Bandan, Naga Panchmi, Ramzan, Holi, Gandhi Jayanti & Children's Day and Teacher's Day were celebrated at KSV by the students, staff and volunteers.



- **June, July & August 2016 - LEAD Leadership Camps**

This has been an annual event for the past three years whereby four batches of thirty students each are welcomed in KSV. They visit the campus as a part of a ten-day leadership camp. The LEAD Leadership Program (LLP) is a unique residential camp, it emphasizes practical exposure over classroom learning. The Leadership Program combines hands on learning experience in understanding practically leadership, team building, critical thinking, creativity and entrepreneurial mind set through inspiring guest speaker sessions, individual mentorship, activities, leadership actions and live exposure visits to industries and community-based organizations in order to foster practical, critical and creative thinking ability within the students.

During their visits they have a speaker & Q&A session with the school director, a tour of campus, a program by the students and they take part in some community service related activities.

- **September 2016 – Karnataka Shilpa Kala Academy**

Fifteen Sculptors from Karnataka Shilpa Kala Academy were welcomed in KSV for 15 days to make wooden sculptures. They carved 15 beautiful sculptures of Hindu gods and goddesses. KSV would like to thank the Karnataka Shilpa Kala Academy for their special contribution to the school.

- **September 2016 – Conference on Education for Sustainable Development for Transforming Education for Children and Youth held at Centre for Environment Education, Ahmedabad, Gujarat**

A small group of students attended this conference with one member of staff and the director of KSV. The conference was for three days. The students had the chance to perform on the evening of the second day. The director was also part of a panel session promoting KSV's partnership with the Zayed Future Energy Prize. Apart from the actual conference the highlight of the trip was plane journey from Bangalore to Ahmedabad. It was of course the first time in a plane for everyone.



- **December 2016 – Visit to KSV by an alternative school from Chhattisgarh, Imlee Mahuaa**

KSV hosted 13 students from the Imlee Mahuaa School. Located in Chhattisgarh, Imlee Mahuaa provides an informal education to its fifty-four students. It was a great opportunity for all the students, both from Imlee Mahuaa and KSV, to get to know each other and exchange their experiences on life, education and their aspirations for the future.

- **December 2016 – Visit to KSV by the Jagriti Yatra**

On the 26th December KSV was proud to once again welcome the Jagriti Yatra. This is the 5th year the Yatra has made KSV the first stop on its epic journey around the country. Jagriti Yatra is an ambitious train journey of discovery and transformation that takes hundreds of India's highly motivated youth, especially those who are from small towns and villages of India, on a 15 day, 8000 km national odyssey to meet the role models - social and business entrepreneurs - of the country. The vision of Jagriti is 'building India through enterprise'.

- **January 2017 – Visit to KSV by Engineers without Borders**

Engineers without Borders Australia was welcomed in KSV, as a part of a visit organized by Authentica. These engineering students have the opportunity to visit several alternative projects in India, including Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya.

After a Q&A session and visit of the school campus, they enjoyed a music and dance performance by the students. During the lunch time, they took the opportunity to exchange with the children.

- **February 2017 – Visit to KSV by LEAD Prayana**

LEAD PRAYANA is an annual leadership journey for youth aged 18-26 hosted in Karnataka and Telangana. They spend two weeks travelling 1800km around south India where they visit various organizations and role models; KSV was one of their visits.



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