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LIGHT UP A LIFE
This Diwali, Let's Raise Children Who Make a Difference!

Dear Parents,

Namaste!

As parents and educators, we share a responsibility that goes far beyond providing our children with the best opportunities in life. We must also nurture in them the sensitivity to recognise the needs of others, the compassion to care and the willingness to make a difference.

After all, the true measure of our children's growth lies not only in what they achieve for themselves, but also in what they learn to do for others.

Diwali offers us a beautiful opportunity to bring this lesson to life.

Every year, we decorate our homes, exchange gifts and celebrate with our loved ones. But have we ever encouraged our children to pause and think about those whose celebrations may be far more modest than ours?

Have they ever wondered whether the rickshaw puller who takes children to school can afford to buy Diwali gifts for his own children?

Or whether the delivery person who brings packages to our doorstep has been able to fulfil a small wish of his own family?

Such questions can awaken empathy in young minds and help them look at the world with greater understanding.

Through our annual “Light Up a Life” Campaign, Vivekanand School invites you to join us in transforming these thoughts into meaningful action.

We encourage you to guide your child in reaching out to someone in need—not just a domestic helper, but perhaps a rickshaw puller braving the morning cold, a delivery person working tirelessly, a vegetable vendor, a security guard or anyone whose life they could brighten through a thoughtful gesture.

It could be a warm shawl, a toy for a child, a useful household item or something that fulfils a simple wish. The intention is not to give something expensive, but to give something meaningful.

More importantly, we request you to make this a shared learning experience. Talk to your child about the circumstances of others. Encourage them to identify someone they wish to help, understand what might bring that person happiness and personally offer the gift with warmth, dignity and respect.

Let the idea come from your child, the encouragement come from you and the happiness be shared by both.

Once your child has participated, kindly share a photograph of the moment with the respective Class Teacher, along with a brief reflection on “How I Felt When I Made Someone Happy.” Photographs should be taken only with the recipient's consent.

These experiences will become part of our “Light Up a Life” Wall Magazine, inspiring many more young hearts to embrace the joy of giving.

Dear Parents,

The values we wish to instil in our children cannot be taught through words alone. They must be experienced, practised and reinforced through our own example.

A child who learns to share today may grow into an adult who cares. A child who learns to recognise another person's difficulties today may become someone who brings meaningful change to society tomorrow.

Let us, as parents and educators, come together to make this Diwali more than a celebration. Let us make it an opportunity to raise a generation that does not merely seek happiness for itself, but finds purpose in bringing happiness to others.

This Diwali, let's not just light up homes. Let's nurture hearts that will light up lives for years to come.

Warm Regards

Social Welfare Council