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## Newsletter-October 2021

### A glimpse into our work

Dear <<First Name>>

Greetings from Satya Special School! Hope you all are doing well.

Thank you for your support through our tough times!

Fortunately, with the situation getting back to normal, we find ourselves back on track, resuming operations in full swing.

If you are short on time, please watch the short video below.

However, we are running short of funds to support and upgrade the services we want to provide to about 50 children across our centres. Please consider supporting at least one child this year, so we can continue to work with their individual programs. GiveIndia offers some matching grants; so you can donate on the [campaign](#) to let your donation go just a little bit further.

Take care.

Chitra Shah

Director, Satya Special School

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### Video newsletter:



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### Re-inauguration of Prosthetics and Orthotics Unit

On September 24, we re-inaugurated our Prosthetics and orthotics Unit. The occasion was graced by **Mr. C. Udaya Kumar, IAS, Secretary to Government of Pondicherry**. It's now an integrated centre for all prosthetics solutions including Assistive Paper Technology. We now manufacture CP Chairs, standing boards and other special aids and appliances.



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## Bringing kids back to school: Occupational Therapy Assessment

To gauge the impact of the pandemic on the growth and development of our children at Satya, we decided to call a group of 5 specialised therapists from Chennai to do a re-assessment of the children.

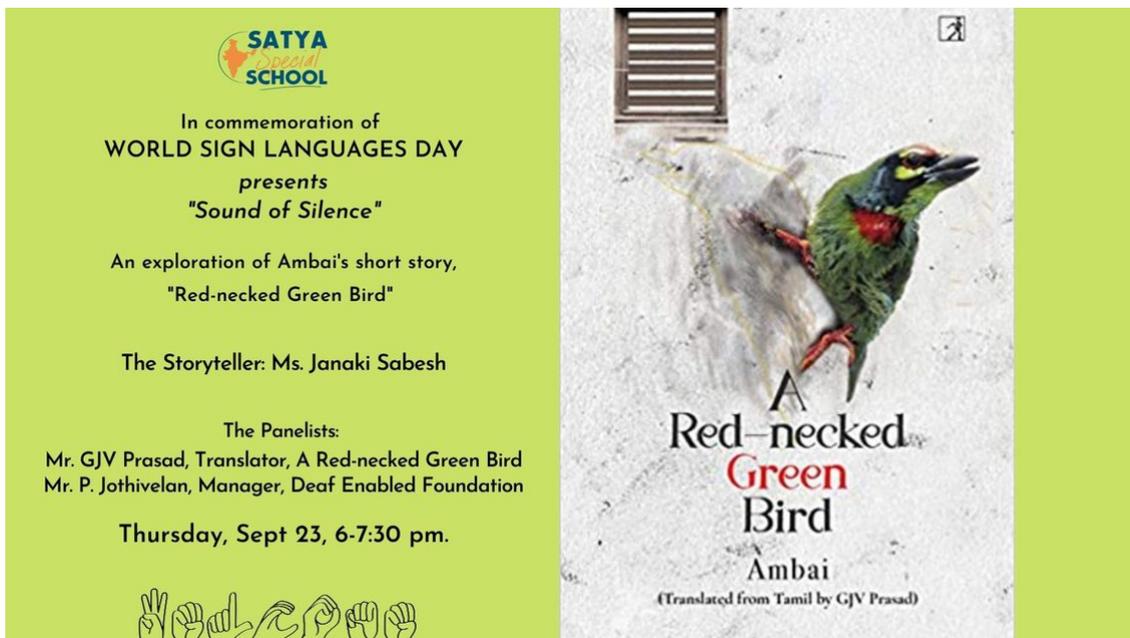
The specialists found that children had been adversely affected by COVID and the lockdown, exhibiting a range of symptoms, including obsessive and attention-seeking behaviour, weight gain and loss, lack of confidence, restlessness, irritability, and mood swings.

To overcome each of their problems, the specialists provided an individual plan for each child.



## Sound of Silence-Event on World Sign Languages Day

To commemorate **World Sign Languages Day** on September 23, we looked at the question of inclusion and sign languages through Ambai's short story, "A Red-Necked Green Bird." Ms. Janaki Sabesh, mesmerizingly narrated parts of the story, which was followed by a panel discussion with Mr. GJV Prasad, Translator of the book and Mr. P. Jyothivelan, Manager, DeafEnabled Foundation.



**SATYA Special SCHOOL**

In commemoration of  
**WORLD SIGN LANGUAGES DAY**  
presents  
**"Sound of Silence"**

An exploration of Ambai's short story,  
**"Red-necked Green Bird"**

The Storyteller: Ms. Janaki Sabesh

The Panelists:  
Mr. GJV Prasad, Translator, A Red-necked Green Bird  
Mr. P. Jothivelan, Manager, Deaf Enabled Foundation

Thursday, Sept 23, 6-7:30 pm.

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**A Red-necked Green Bird**  
Ambai  
(Translated from Tamil by GJV Prasad)



## PLATINUM GuideStar Certification

We are super thrilled and excited to share that our GuideStar certification has been upgraded from **Gold** to **Platinum**. We are now a **PLATINUM GuideStar** certified society. To add to the excitement, there are only 102 NGOs from across the country to have received the honour.



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GuideStar India Certifications: Gold FY 2015-16, FY 2016-17, FY 2018-19, Platinum FY 2019-20  
Subject to validity of registration under IT, FCRA and registration as NPO



### Support our Fundraiser

While we are running full steam ahead, we are running short of funds for about 50 of our children. We wish to continue or upgrade the services provided to them and seek your help for the same.

We want each child to receive all the resources necessary to enable their maximum development. We wish to mainstream at least 5 of these 50 children in government or private schools.

Please consider supporting one child for a year through this fundraiser. Matching funds are available so please consider donating through [the fundraiser](#).

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