

Talk Smart Programme

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Talk Smart programme is being instigated for students of classes Ankur to Xth to groom them to communicate more effectively and affluently in English language.

A two day workshop was held by Ms. Aslesha Thakur from Lead Innovations with the mother teachers of grades Ankur to III along with the English language teachers. After a comprehensive orientation about the programme, the facilitator discussed the modules and teacher resources to be used during the Talk Smart sessions in class, followed by simulations acted out by teachers to ensure understanding of the same.

The session comprised of how to introduce a Talk Smart activity in class, ways to develop students' vocabulary, explanation of the activity, clearly stating the instructions followed by a discussion on the teachers' role as a facilitator in the activities.

Guidelines were also discussed with respect to managing noise levels in the classroom, using constructive language while giving feedback to students and laying emphasis on the fact that each child gets an opportunity to express oneself.

This phase of the workshop concentrated majorly on ways and activities to develop speaking skills in children which would soon be adjoined with another session on conducting activities on strengthening listening skills In the classroom.