



# SAFARI TRAILS

A Quarterly Newsletter

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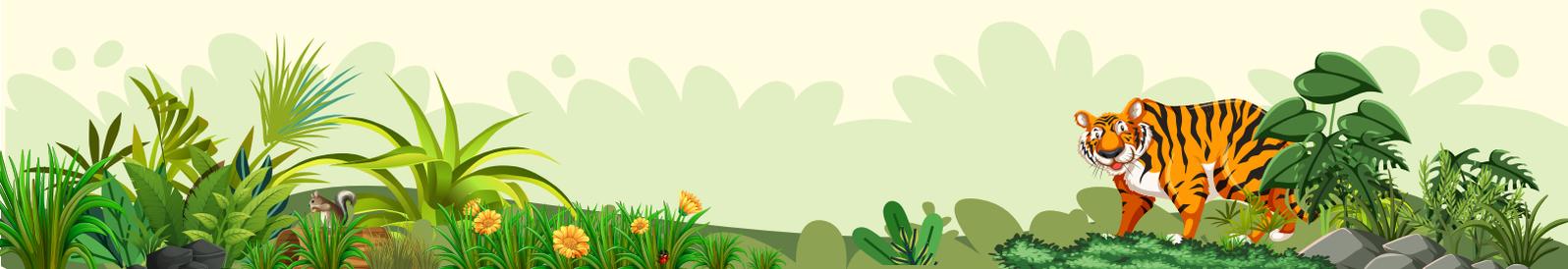


# SPOTLIGHT

## Annual Day 2024-25: When I Grow Up

Dreams came alive as our little ones took the stage! From embodying cricket legend Virat Kohli to honoring the heroes of Mangal Mission, Operation Sindoor, and COVID-era healthcare workers, every performance told a story of aspiration. The heartwarming mother-child performances reminded us that love is the foundation of all dreams.

We celebrated our community too-honoring our Teachers of the Year, Parents of the Year, and Support Staff of the Year. Every costume, every step, every smile whispered: our children are already becoming the future they dream of.



# Launch of Vivitsa World School - A grand opening for a greater tomorrow



When Honourable Union Minister of Education and Sambalpur MP, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, cut the ribbon to formally inaugurate our campus, it felt like hope taking shape. Surrounded by parents who believed in us, educators who poured their hearts into this dream, and community members who celebrated with us, we were reminded why we began this journey.

There are moments in life when a vision transforms into reality, when years of dedication bloom into something beautiful. December 23rd was one such moment for us.

As the winter sun bathed our new campus in golden light, Vivitsa World School opened its doors-not just as a building, but as a promise. A promise that every child deserves an education that nurtures not just their mind, but their heart and soul.



Born from a decade of Curious Cubs' trust and love in Sambalpur, Vivitsa carries forward a legacy under the leadership of Chairperson Ms. Debashri Debjani Pansari, Co-founder Mr. Saransh Pansari, Directors of Ramesh Education Ms. Rita Pansari and Mr. Ramesh Agrawal, and Co-founders Mr. Rahul Agarwal and Ms. Khusboo Agarwal.

Here, education awakens curiosity, nurtures critical thinking, and helps children understand the world as it truly is. Character grows alongside competence. Responsibility walks hand-in-hand with creativity.

**We're now welcoming young learners from Class I to VIII for session 2026-27.**





# THE REWIND

NOVEMBER

**14th November – Children's Day**  
It's All About Us Today!



**Mom & Me**  
When Mums Join the Fun





# DECEMBER

## 25th December - Christmas Joy, Carols, and Kindness



## Winter Camp Adventures in the Cold





# JANUARY

**First school day of 2026**  
Fresh curious beginnings



**Baby Show**  
Celebrating upcoming Stars



**14th January-  
Makar Sankranti**  
Flying High with Kites and  
Dreams



**23rd January-Saraswati Puja**  
Seeking the Blessings  
of Wisdom





## First Writing Ceremony Tiny Fingers, Big Milestones



## 26th January - Republic Day I Love My India Day



## Charity Carnival Sharing feels magical





# CANVAS OF THE FOREST



# CUB OF THE QUARTER

Apeksha Shukla, LKG (Raipur, Chhattisgarh)



Shreyanvi-mishra, Nursery-A (Bhubaneswar)



Prarav Agarwal, LKG (Rourkela)



Shivanya Khuntia, UKG (Jharsuguda 2)



Shivansh Agarwal, LKG (Sambalpur, Khetraipur )



Riyanshi Porwal, LKG (Mangal bazar, Jharsuguda)



# THE MENTOR'S MEADOW

## Aliva Das

Centerhead,  
Vedanta Township,  
Jharsuguda



My journey as Centre Head at Curious Cubs began with a simple wish to create a warm, safe space where children could explore freely. What I didn't expect was how much I would grow along with them. Watching hesitant little ones become confident, curious learners each day has shaped me into a more patient and resilient person. My early interactions with Debashri Ma'am and Shital Ma'am taught me that sincere dedication can turn dreams into reality. The quiet encouragement from Rita Aunty, the constant guidance of Rohinee Ma'am, and the steady support of Pooja Ma'am helped me turn challenges into milestones. Today, this centre is not just my workplace, it is where children blossom and where I keep discovering stronger versions of myself.

## Monali Ghose

Centerhead - Cheruapara,  
Sambalpur Center



Working at Curious Cubs has been an incredibly fulfilling journey for me. Each day brings new learning and heartwarming moments with our little ones. As a Centre Head, I feel grateful to be part of their early years, helping shape curious minds and kind hearts.

Building strong bonds with parents has been one of the most meaningful parts of this journey. Open communication and trust allow us to create a nurturing space for every child. Every small step, settling in, eating independently, beginning to write, or speaking confidently, feels like a shared milestone.

The most touching moments are when former students run back to hug me. Hearing parents say their child gained confidence here fills me with pride and joy.



## Pratiswa Priyadarshini Parida

Playgroup teacher,  
Bhubaneswar Center



My last seven months as an educator have felt like a parallel journey to the children I teach. It has been a continuous cycle of observation, adaptation, and growth. Working in early childhood education has taught me simple but powerful lessons that improved both my personal and professional life, bringing more discipline and balance. I worked on my own growth first, learning to manage behaviour across age groups and challenging myself to explore new ideas, fresh materials, and creative ways to enrich the curriculum.

One of the most valuable lessons I learned at Curious Cubs is the importance of documentation. It not only made me a more organized teacher but also helped me become more mindful and structured in my personal life.

## Sangeeta

Teacher, Rourkela Center



I feel grateful to be part of this school community as a Nursery teacher. Working with young children brings me immense joy, and I try my best to handle my class with care, patience, and attention. Teaching little ones requires both structure and creativity, and I enjoy putting thought into every activity we do.

Art, craft, and presentation have always been close to my heart. I like maintaining neat work, experimenting with creative font styles, and keeping things well organized, as I believe small details make a big difference in a child's learning environment.

I also value punctuality and presentability, and I try to be dependable during school events and daily responsibilities. Being able to contribute in my own way and grow alongside my students is what makes this journey truly meaningful for me.





## Backbone of the pride

### Sanjay Sahu

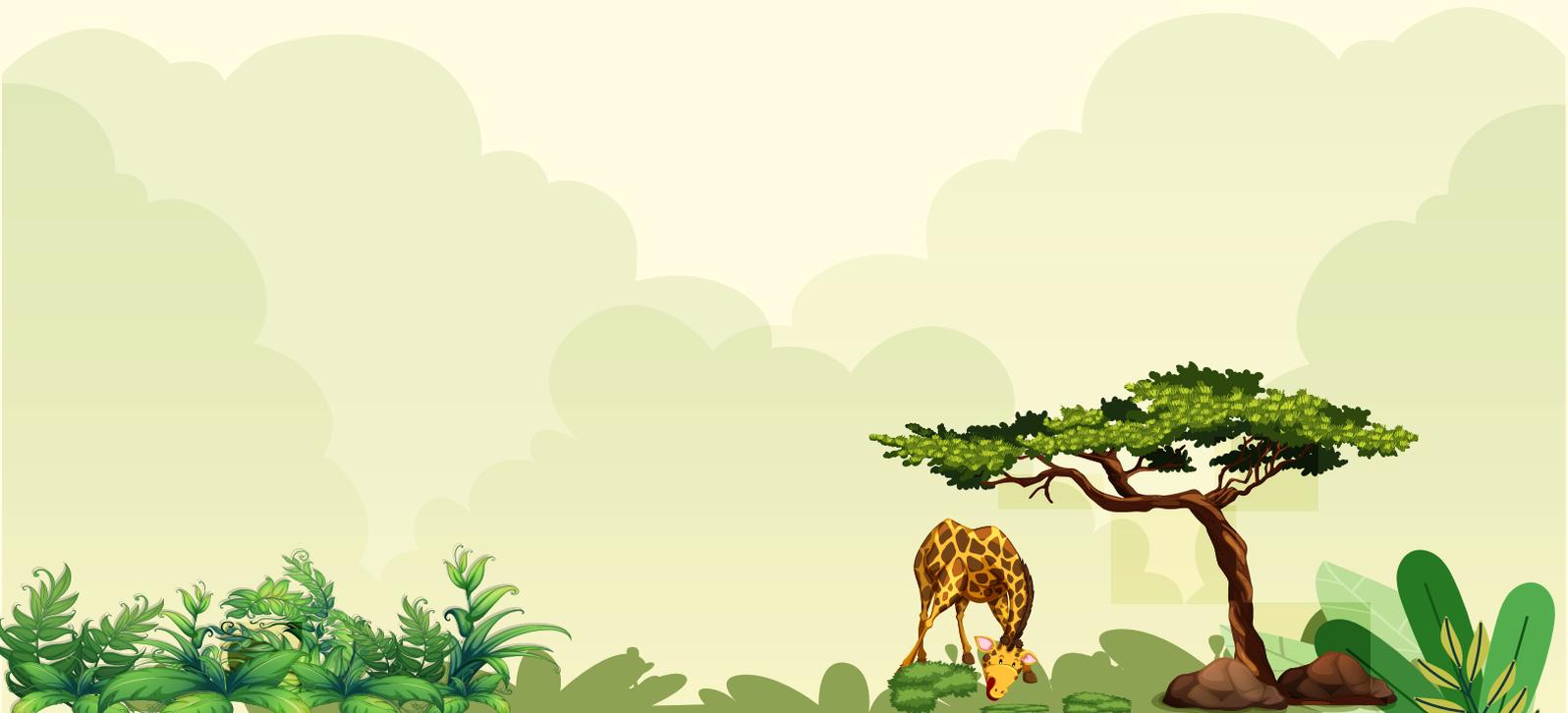
Support staff  
Raipur Center



I feel truly happy and grateful as I complete one year at Curious Cubs Preschool. When I first joined, everything felt new, but the warmth of the school and the support from everyone helped me settle in with confidence. Over time, this place has taught me patience, responsibility, and to take pride in even the smallest tasks.

The best part of the job is the children. Seeing them smile, hearing them call out happily, and watching them feel safe and cared for makes my day special. Their little gestures and innocent conversations remind me why my role matters.

Knowing that I am trusted here means a lot to me. I will continue to do my work with the same sincerity and dedication, and I look forward to growing with this school family for many more years.





# Final Fun Stop

## Carrot & Date Energy Balls

**A healthy, colorful treat little hands  
can help make!**

Ideal for: Ages 3+ (with light supervision) Non-fire cooking

Prep Time: 10 minutes

### Ingredients

- 1 cup grated carrot – fresh and finely grated
- 1/2 cup dates – pitted and chopped
- 2 tablespoons roasted peanuts – crushed (or almonds)
- 2 tablespoons desiccated coconut + extra for rolling
- 1/4 teaspoon cardamom powder
- 1 tablespoon honey (optional)

### Instructions

1. **Prepare ingredients:** Remove date pits and let your child help tear them into small pieces.
2. **Mash the dates:** In a bowl, mash dates with a fork until sticky (great for strengthening little hands!).
3. **Mix everything:** Add grated carrot, crushed peanuts, coconut, and cardamom. Let children mix with clean hands—it's wonderful sensory play!
4. **Roll into balls:** Help your child roll small portions into bite-sized balls.
5. **Final touch:** Roll the balls in extra coconut for a pretty finish.
6. **Chill (optional):** Refrigerate for 15 minutes to firm up.

### Parent Tips

- Grating carrots together is great for discussing colors and textures
- Counting dates while removing pits makes math fun!
- These energy balls stay fresh for 3-4 days in the refrigerator

### Riddle of the month



I have a neck but have no head,  
I wear a cap but have no hair,  
Pour me out when you are thirsty,  
I keep your water safe in there.  
What am I?

A Bottle!