

“Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.” – Albert Einstein

On 06th July 2017, the teachers, got an opportunity to attend a workshop on **“Drama as an educational tool”** by Ms. Shahana Chakravarty. The workshop started with an ice breaking activity wherein the teachers were asked to mimic some of the defining features of a few animals. This activity further transformed into a game in which every time a participant would loose, he or she took the facilitator’s place in the centre and continued with the game.



Then came the most interesting part of the workshop, wherein an innovative approach to the subject - The Still Image, was introduced. Further, the teachers were divided into groups and they were given a situation which they had to



instantly project without even discussing it with each other. For example- a live cricket match, Delhi ki chaat, an accident scene to name a few. The situations were presented in many innovative ways by different groups.

After the hands-on, on STILL IMAGES, the teachers were asked to interact within the group and share any interesting childhood memory which the group

would like to create in the form of still image showing the 3 stages- the beginning, the core and the end of the memory.

The workshop was an ideal platform to assist educators seeking knowledge of theatre elements that could be applied in teaching core subjects using imagination. Also, the link between play-way / activities method is the most effective way to induce learning since seeing is believing and doing is retaining.



The main KRA (**Key Result Area**) was to equip our children with much needed skills like, facing the audience confidently and shed their inhibitions on stage, all of which goes towards making our children more confident to express themselves effectively.

Over all, the workshop was quiet innovative, motivational, communicative and effective.

