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## Towards a Joyful and Engaging Experience: The Art Integrated Learning Workshop

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On Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, a workshop on Art Integrated Learning was conducted by Ms. Swati Warke for the teachers of Nursery to Grade II with the aim to make learning a joyful and engaging experience for children while developing their social skills, sensitivity and ethics.

This method would also aid in enhancing their cognitive processes of understanding through guided observation and creative exploration whilst granting them freedom of expression and allowing free emotional expression, communication and creative involvement.



**She also provided several strategies for art integration such as:**

1. **Planning AIL Based Activities:** Planning of AIL sessions/ activities beforehand will help in enhancing quality of classroom.
2. **Planning Time for AIL:** Time management is an essential factor that determines a teacher's professional expertise and proficiency in organising learning experiences.
3. **Planning Resources:** Planning of resources makes the AIL experiences more vibrant and joyful.
4. **Classroom Management:** The classroom is an important aspect of AIL where the process of teaching-learning takes place. Every classroom should have an inclusive environment and innovative arrangements for attendance, display of art works and seating arrangement.
5. **Display of Art Work:** AIL activities involve a lot of creative thinking that enables students/learners to create their artwork be it in the form of drawing, sketching, poster making, mask making, craft making etc. All artwork should be displayed in the classroom.

She also emphasised on the role of teachers in planning of these activities. Teachers should use charts papers, newspaper and other available materials to make teaching aids and prepare subject wise lesson plan for it. Further, teachers must strive to attain a more detailed knowledge about art integration activities.

The workshop proved to be immensely helpful for all those who attended to make lesson plans, in using of teaching aids, and for developing hands-on activities for children. We are thankful to the school for arranging such knowledgeable workshops for teachers, and especially thank Ms. Swati Warke for holding this session.

