

## July 2020 Edition

Greetings from Pune Learns! We're nearing the end of our 5th month of quarantine, can you believe it?! With COVID-19 Cases back on the rise, Pune has been in lockdown again for the last week. We understand that a lot of you may be bored at home and hope that this quick read will brighten up your Sunday!

### REINSTATED ENGLISH IN OUR ONLINE COMMUNITY SESSIONS

The quarantine has definitely been challenging, and we spent the first couple of months working through roadblocks associated with conducting online sessions. After weeks of teaching soft skills we have transitioned to our regular English classes. With a revised curriculum, customised for an online experience, our classes are back at full speed! We're excited by the progress we're seeing!



### 'SELF ESTEEM AND POSITIVITY' EVENT WITH NIB

Events are an integral part of the holistic development process at Pune Learns. We're happy that we are able to continue to host these experiences virtually. Our first event was in collaboration with 'Natural is Beautiful', an organization that aims to increase awareness about mental health. It was great to see the children connect and reflect as a group, with our guest speakers, as they explored the themes of self esteem and positivity.



### LAUNCHED 'THE PUNE LEARNS JOURNAL'

We're stoked to launch our blog - featuring stories, experiences and fun tidbits from the Pune Learns community. We hope to give you a glimpse into our journey with this initiative and share our challenges and successes. In the last month, we published two articles from our Core Team - 'First Steps - Building a Social Organisation' by Pooja Kulkarni and 'My Magical Journey with Books' by Pallavi Patil. Happy Reading!

### SATURDAY SPOTLIGHT

**Vrushabh Gudade**

Shivajinagar Community

Vrushabh has been volunteering with us at the Shivajinagar community for the last 3 years. He's passionate, driven and an absolute natural at teaching and forming a connection with his students.

