

Motivation is something that can bring life to anything and the same can make miracles happen in lives of the de-motivated kids. This was very well explained and exemplified by Dr. Saroj Thapa in the workshop organised at Pallavan School, Jhalawar on March 27th and 28th 2017. She has done her PhD in special education from the faculty of education and Psychology, University of Geneva. She brought with her a wealth of knowledge gathered during her over 25 years tenure in both school education and higher education in India, China, Switzerland, the US and the UAE. She has also founded an NGO in Dubai Called SAATHI (Society for Awareness and Advocacy towards Holistic inclusion). Presently she is working as Head, teacher development at Universal Learn Today a division of the India Today Group.

She not only explained the significance of motivation by teachers but also gave them the tools and techniques that can be practically applied in the classes for instance active learning i.e. for involvement of the students into the sessions through research projects power point presentations group discussions and circles time activity. She also made the teachers understand how they can bring the child onto the motivated path so that the child achieves the success in near future. In her session teacher were actively involved and readily learnt about the tools by using the examples through role play. She made the teachers understand how important it is for every child to feel motivated so that true teaching can happen in classrooms.

