

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S COUNCIL

Recent Activities organized by the NCC

1. Vacances Pour Tous (Easter Holiday)

In the context of the above, the Ministry of Youth and Sports in collaboration with the Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family welfare and the National Children's Council organized three days activities at St Mary's College Rose-Hill on 18th, 19th and 20th of April respectively. Childrens from different children's club also participated.

The following activities amongst others were conducted:

- Sensitization campaign on CRC
- Campaign on Security, Fire and Rescue Services
- Glass painting and fabric painting
- Mehendi application
- Face Painting
- Tir a L'Arc
- Quad demonstration
- Distribution of potted plants
- Cultural programmes performed by children

Around 800 children benefitted from the above activities.

2. Awareness Day On Safety And Security of Children

An Awareness Day On Safety And Security of Children was organized at Queen Elizabeth College on 10th May 2017 where the NCC solicited the services of resource persons of other institutions to deliver talks for this campaign:

- The Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit of the Ministry of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport
- The Family Welfare and Protection Unit of the Ministry of Gender Equality, CD & FW
- The Road Safety Unit under the Mauritius Police Force
- The Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit under the Mauritius Police Force
- The Brigade pour la protection des mineurs under the Mauritius Police Force

- The Harm Reduction Unit of the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life
- The National Children's Council

Around 600 pupils benefitted from the above activities.

3. Celebration of Family Day 2017

In the context of the above, three days activities were organized on 12th, 13th and 14th May by the parent Ministry at Gymkhana Vacoas.

The Council was solicited to conduct the following creativity activities, namely, production of objects with waste materials, bracelets making, cards making in the context of Mother's Day, flower making with 'Miba' and kites making.

Additionally the Caravan of the National Women Council was used for Cartoon projection in line with Articles on the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Around 677 Children and 150 families benefitted from the above activities.

4. Commemoration of Day of African Child

Each year, the Day of African Child is commemorated in the month of June following an incident which occurred in Soweto, South Africa (On 16th June 1976) where thousands of black school children took the streets to protest about their inferior quality of education and to demand their rights to be taught in their own language. Hundreds of them were shot down and in the two weeks of protest that followed more than hundred were killed and more than thousand injured. To honour their courage and in memory of those killed, in 1991 the organization of African Unity established the Day of the African Child. The day also draws attention to the lives of African children today. Some 2000 children are sensitized yearly.

This year the DAC was held at Paul Octave Wiéhé Auditorium at Reduit on 15th June 2017 and students/pupils from primary and secondary schools participated in talks, debates and cultural programmes.

Please find photos for the celebration of the DAC held at Paul Octave Wiéhé Auditorium at Reduit on 15th June 2017 below:

- **Capacity Building Workshop – At Voila Hotel, Bagatelle on 4th October 2017**

A **Capacity Building Workshop** was organized by the National Children's Council at Voila Hotel, Bagatelle on 4th October 2017. Presentations on topics on Good Corporate Governance & Practices by **Mr. Krish Ponnusamy** (Former Senior Chief Executive), Procurement Good Financial Management by **Mr. Lutchmeesing Harnamsing** (Assistant Manager, Procurement and Supply) and Effective Communication and Interpersonal Skills by **Dr. Vandita Ladkoo (Mrs)** Lecturer.

Please find some photos below taken at Voila Hotel, Bagatelle on 4th October 2017