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Sing, Play & Fly...



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Beit Atfal Assumoud newsletter is published monthly by the National Institution of social Care and Vocational Training. Each letter is issued to circulate information about the work and activities of the institution and its centers over the course of the month. We have been working on providing services for Palestinian refugees living in the camps of Lebanon for 40 years.

About Beit Atfal Assumoud

Beit Atfal Assumoud is a national, humanitarian and secular nonprofit organization that aims to contribute to the development of the Palestinian community in Lebanon through services addressing the needs of the families, and through various gender-balanced projects empowering the potentials and skills of the children, youth, women and parents or guardians.

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Family Happiness Project

Seasons come, seasons go, and families get sunshine and snow... they get the white deeds and bright life from the sponsorship program, and in return they accomplish their duties toward the centers.

Season of Ramadan is over and the children designed their thank you cards for their sponsors, greeting them at Eid Al-Fitr.



BAS Mar Elias center organized an activity for the mothers within the Family Happiness project in July 2016. The activity included games and handicraft, and then they had a breakfast together in the occasion of Eid El-Fitr. In addition to that this month was full of workshops and other activities.

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Peer Education & Reproductive Health

The peer educators worked hard in July on organizing sessions for the remedial students and youth, about different topics such as bullying, adolescence and sexually transmitted diseases.



From 21st till 24th of July 2016, a workshop supported by MAP in Ramilieh was organized for 24 peer educators, 3 social workers, and arts coordinator about team building, conflict resolution and comics.



As for the reproductive health program, awareness sessions were organized for the mothers, that were rich of new information and tips to follow them.

An awareness session was given by the consultant Mrs. Marie Maqdesi at BAS Naher El-Bared, for 23 PRS and PRL women about proper nutrition during pregnancy on the 18th of July 2016.



Workshops and awareness sessions were many in July; some of it was for the mothers (pregnant and new born), and others for the social workers at FGC centers.



Psychosocial Support

Psychosocial support helps individuals and communities to heal its wounds and rebuild social structures after an emergency or a critical event. It can help change people into active survivors rather than passive victims. July was as every month full of awareness sessions and workshops within this program.



F.G.C.

BASFGC used to organize awareness sessions for the mothers of the children at FGC to fulfill the growing of their emotional and educational needs. In addition to that, BAS FGC centers aim at providing special preventions and therapeutic services ensuring the development of children and adolescent.



Education

Remedial summer program were rich of entertainment activities and trips in July at BAS centers. The children had the chance to play more in the summer vacation and rid out the stress of studying during the school year. They also enjoyed their time by participating in new learning new activities that raise their self-confident and empowering their learning skill in a very interesting way.

Vocational Training

At BAS Bourj Al-Shamali Vocational Training center, an Aluminum course started on Wednesday 20th of July 2016.



LEAP Program

LEAP program, started at BAS Rashidieh and Bourj El-Shamali centers in the mid off July 2016 aiming supporting grade 6th and 9th students in improving their efficiency in English Language and enhancing their skills in reading, writing, speaking and analysis. The program also includes artistic activities, recreational activities and trips. 300 students participated and divided into two shifts, a morning shift and afternoon shift.

16 Volunteers from USA within the LEAP program visited BAS Rashidieh center on Saturday 23rd of July 2016 to learn more about the Palestinian embroidery which is an important part of our heritage and bought some products.



Dental Clinic & Pediatric



BAS Naher El-Bared organized an awareness session for 11 children about children fears of the dentist which was given by the Nurse of BAS dental clinic Mrs. Manal Jendawi on the 16th of July 2016.

Treatments and awareness sessions

300 students within the LEAP program had the chance to checkup their teeth by the dentist of BAS Rashidieh and Bourj El-Shamali dental clinic, in addition to some guidance and health education for them about caring and maintaining a good dental hygiene. At the end of the program each student received a brush and toothpaste to encourage them to brush their teeth on daily basis.



Pediatric

285 children received treatment by the Pediatrician Dr. Sameh Jaber in Nahr El Bared center during July.

On the 19th of July 2016, the mothers had the chance to attend a session about Diarrhea and vomiting. The sessions were given by Ms. Loubna A. Rahim for the PRL & PRS mothers.



BAS children were so happy to participate in the recreational summer activities performed by BAS centers during July. After Ramadan, BAS centers organized summer activities. These activities included cultural, health, social, national and sports themes that were considered not only recreational but also beneficial. The summer activities ended by trips to different recreational places, sea, gardens, Public Parks, etc...



Within the summer activities at BAS Shatila center a comic's activity organized for the children ages between 9 and 14 years old on the 25th of July 2016. The activity included: violence, nature and patriotic.



Dabki: *BAS Rashidieh Dabke team participated in the ceremony of honoring the successful students in the intermediate certificate at Al-Qastal school on Sunday 24th of July 2016.*



Distribution



In coordination with CCP Japan, BAS Baalbeck center distributed 700 food parcels for the PRS that live in Al-Galeel camp and Baalbeck city on 2nd, 4th and 5th of July 2016.



On the occasion of Beit Atfal Assumoud's 40th anniversary a special gathering was organized for BAS children of Tal Al-Zaatar martyrs' who are now living in different foreign countries. Those children were the first members in the organization and grew up within BAS loving and caring atmosphere.



During the gathering, they were overwhelmed to visit BAS different centers where they had the chance to learn more about the different services that BAS offer to Palestinian community.



Flowers were placed on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Burj El-Barajneh Martyrs Cemetery on Wednesday 6th of July 2016, the first day of Eid El-Fitr.



Mrs. kristil Haraldstad and Mr. stein Omar Gjendem, a delegation from Norwac, visited BAS Naher El-Bared center with the general director Mr. Kassem Aina on Thursday 14th of July 2016 to learn more about BAS services and discussed about the vocational training.





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