

# Don Bosco Senior Secondary School, Nerul

#### **Value Education Programme Report: 2025-26**

Name of the Event: Value Education Programme

Grade IV C and IV D

Sections: Preparatory stage

Name of the Place: DBSS - Nerul, Ground Floor Assembly Hall.

Conducted by Tr. Mary Costa and Tr. Pushpalata Vinod

Date of the Event: Tuesday, 15th July, 2025

Topic: The Sweet Story of Chocolate.

#### What did you learn?

The Programme helped us to learn various lessons in an engaging and memorable way. Here are some of the key concepts that we learnt:

- History of chocolate and its global journey
- Awareness regarding reading nutritional or content label .
- Ethical concerns like child labour and fair-trade practices
- Skills in research, data collection, and presenting information.

## **Key takeaways:**

- Being an informed consumer
- Empathy for farmers and understanding global interdependence
- Importance of reading labels
- Enjoying chocolates responsibly
- Teamwork, creativity, and communication

# How is it relevant to your school context?

By integrating academic learning with creative expression, the chocolate-themed assembly program was not only educational but also directly aligned with our school's commitment to developing well-rounded, socially responsible, and confident learners.

- Encouraged **cross-disciplinary** connections: Science (nutrition), History (explorers), Language (presentations), and Math (survey analysis)
- Promoted active, student-led learning through research and presentations
- Raised **environmental and ethical awareness**, linking food choices with global impact
- Strengthened the school community via peer sharing and discussions
- Fostered **creativity and engagement** through skits, posters, and home recipes.
- Promoted **collaboration**, as students worked in groups, shared roles, and supported one another

### How will you apply it with students in the classroom/beyond?

- **Incorporating Project-Based Learning**: Create interdisciplinary projects where students research more such thematic, integrated projects on food, textiles, etc.
- Integrating Environmental Education: Use the concept of harmful farming practices to introduce discussions on commercialisation in farming and biodiversity conservation in science lessons.
- Enhancing Creative Expression: Students enjoyed hands-on experiences like home-made chocolate, poster making, and performing skits.
- Strengthening Science Learning: Awareness of nutritional benefits and side effects, implementing healthy farming practices involving conserving biodiversity.
- Encouraging Interactive Learning Beyond the Classroom: Field visit like exploring products in a store, making wise choices by reading the label.
- **Survey-Based Research**: Encourage students to collect data (e.g., screen time, junk food habits) and analyze it.

#### What could have been better?

We could have arranged for a resource person or guest speaker either from the production sector/fair trade dept or arranged a field visit to the factory with the kids as part of the research and learning experience.

#### What was done well?

- The visual presentation and props displayed.
- The program was entertaining and educational, leaving the audience impressed and the participants proud of their accomplishments.
- Wide range of topics covered thoughtfully.
- Student-led initiatives and participation
- Hands-on learning that made concepts real and memorable.

## Do you have any suggestion?

This research programme on chocolates was an enriching, cross-curricular initiative that empowered students with knowledge, values, and skills. It exemplifies how a simple topic like "chocolate" can be transformed into a powerful learning journey that builds informed, empathetic, and responsible learners.

Rating: (Highlight in Green)

Choice of Topic	1	2	3	4	5
Speaker	1	2	3	<mark>4</mark>	5
Presentation	1	2	3	<mark>4</mark>	5
Engagement	1	2	3	4	5
Satisfaction Index	1	2	3	4	5

(1 being lowest, 5 being highest)

# **Photographs:**



