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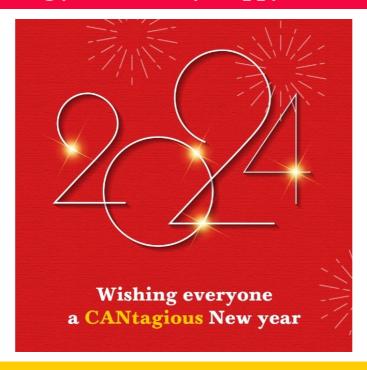








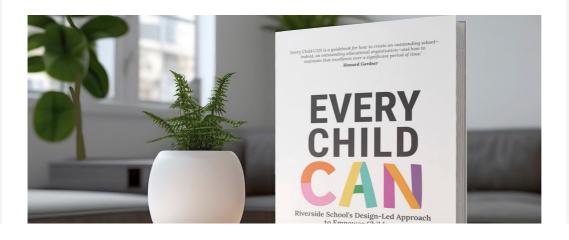
Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!



Every Child CAN

"Every Child Can is a guidebook for how to create an outstanding school-indeed, an outstanding educational organisation - and how to maintain that excellence over a significant period of time."

- Howard Gardner



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We present to you 'Every Child Can' a book by Kiran Bir Sethi on Riverside School's Design-Led Approach to Empower Children

'Every Child Can' written by Kiran Bir Sethi and co-authored by Mohanram Gudipati and Apoorva Bhandari was launched at the I CAN Children's Global Summit held at EDI, Ahmedabad Gujarat, on 2nd December 2023. The book was unveiled by Ashok Chaterjee, Ex-Executive Director, Senior Faculty, Distinguished Fellow and Professor of communication and management at National Institute of Design and Br Juan Antonio Ojeda Ortiz, OIEC,

Academic Director, Spain.

I CAN Children's Global Summit



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I CAN Children's Global Summit (ICCGS) was hosted in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, making the city as the host for this global event of the children, by the children, and for the children. This groundbreaking summit was dedicated to the power of children and embodying the ethos of 'Local Change, Global Impact'.

Organised by Design for Change, a movement that originated at Riverside School under the visionary guidance of Kiran Bir Sethi in 2009, ICCGS stands as a testament to its expansive global reach, now extending across more than 70 countries. The summit brought together over 500 young superheroes and educators, representing 39 countries, to present 40+ local solutions aligned with the 14 Sustainable Development Goals.

Happynings

Audit: Review of RLC processes at DPS, Varanasi





Riverside Learning Center team recently undertook a comprehensive **three-day audit** at Delhi Public School (DPS), Varanasi, aimed at **evaluating and providing feedback on the implemented RLC processes**. The RLC team conducted an onsite visit to assess the efficacy of the operational practices and procedures. During the audit, the team engaged in **in-depth discussions**, **classroom observations**, **process evaluation and interaction with key stakeholders**, to provide constructive feedback to DPS Varanasi. The audits will further enhance the schools' teaching methodology and learning among students.

RLC trainers propel I CAN experience at Countryside International School, Surat

RLC trainers conducted a comprehensive process **audit and training** at Countryside International School in Surat, Gujarat, for the **I CAN Enrich programme** initiated in 2023. Witnessing the seamless integration of RLC processes benefiting over 1700 students, our

trainers provided detailed feedback to teachers on further incorporating Touch Point 1 methodologies and onboarded them on new processes by training them on Teacher Driven Observation and Citizenship, as part of the Touch Point 2 training.



Participants from 5 countries engage in inspirational I CAN EduTour at RLC



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Encompassing a transformative **three-day journey**, **the I CAN EduTour at RLC** brought together 16 enthusiastic participants hailing from diverse cultural backgrounds—**Brazil**, **Ecuador**, **India**, **Japan**, **and Taiwan**. This immersive experience showcased the unique I CAN approach, fostering rich interactions,

observations, and meaningful conversations among the attendees, alongside engaging with both students and teachers. The experience left a lasting impact, leaving participants feeling not just inspired but also moved by the immense potential they discovered in shaping the future of education for their children.

RLC hosts 3-day training for Frobel Academy introducing new processes and practices

The recent 3-day training session at RLC for Frobel Academy, Bangladesh, focused on revisiting key

processes such as the **Program of Inquiry** and **Zero Period**, while introducing new training modules on **Surplus** and **Planning with Purpose.**

The training was a refreshing experience, with participants expressing enthusiasm for the innovative processes introduced. Interacting with teachers provided valuable insights, inspiring them to reevaluate and enhance their teaching practices.



Teach for India visits for a retreat and an immersive learning experience



Twenty-five fellows and staff members from Teach for India recently engaged in a brief immersion programme involving classroom observations and discussions with Kiran. The primary goal was to **seek inspiration and explore innovative strategies and practices** to incorporate into their teaching methods.

The session placed significant emphasis on the integration of **content and character development**. Overall, it proved to be an enriching experience for the participants, offering valuable insights and learning opportunities.

Individual visits

Visits at Riverside provide a valuable opportunity to delve into the intricacies of our early years curriculum and explore the dynamic I CAN pedagogy, while immersing in an innovative school culture that fosters holistic learning and growth.







Shaina Singh visited Riverside to understand Riverside processes and delve into the deeper aspects of the practices for 5 days. She immersed herself in different observations and debrief sessions with the RLC team.



What would you like to see more in 2024?

As we gear up for an exciting year ahead, we're reaching out to you, our valued audience, for your thoughts and preferences regarding the content you'd like to see in our newsletters throughout 2024.

Your feedback matters immensely to us, and we want to ensure that our newsletter aligns with your interests and needs. We aim to provide insightful, relevant, and engaging content that enriches your experience.

Want to become an I CAN Early Learning Center?

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If you share the belief that children deserve a strong foundation for their learning journey, enabling them to become empowered, responsible, and empathetic global citizens upon graduation, we invite you to join us.

The Riverside Learning Center (RLC), the research and training division of The Riverside School, has introduced the I CAN Early Learning Center Franchise Model. This carefully crafted early years program is based on the principles of Play, Inquiry, and Skills, drawing inspiration from the successful practices of Riverside School's renowned I CAN Approach to learning.

RLC is seeking franchise partnerships with school leaders, entrepreneurs, and educators who share the vision for children. We encourage you to reach out to us to learn more about this opportunity.

To become an I CAN SCHOOL

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"A great leader doesn't only inspire us to have confidence in what THEY can do. A great leader inspires us to have confidence in what WE can do."
- Simon Sinek

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