

Green LIVING

One step into the Aurobindo Society at Adchini and you quickly hasten your steps to feel and know more of this beautiful lush green campus in which nestles *Navakriti*. There cannot be better pre-school for children, each child is treated with tender loving care and at the same time given the respect of an adult which is rare with most of us dismissing them as too little to have their own identity.

Nandita is the heart of this school, I have to mention that she is the principal, a fact one misses to notice as she is dancing, playing, gardening, hugging, giggling and singing with little children. Here is a beautiful easy going woman you may think, just hang around and you glimpse into her inner strength which has made her build a strong dedicated team, trying to learn and practice the challenging education system of integral education: the philosophy



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and practice of education of Aurobindo for the whole child including body, emotions, mind, soul, and spirit. She believes that she is just an instrument of the Divine and it is He who brings the work to her.

Here is a school where you will see little children as young as two plus filling water in a bird bath,

gardening, taking mud baths, walking bare feet — connecting to nature.

Nandita believes that children become what they experience and connecting to nature not just makes them healthier but also develops in them a sense of respect for mother Earth and all its creatures.

Learning with nature also develops all the little ones sensory perception and sharpens their faculties of learning. Here to Nandita who is laying the foundation for the future saviours of our home: Earth.

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