## **School Annual Report 2020-21**

Life has got all those twists and turns. You have to hold on tight and off you go as you are the Pilot of your Life. Keep your face always towards the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you.

A warm good evening to the esteemed Guests, Members of the management, Executive Members and all members of the PTA, Beloved Colleagues and dear Children.

Be Courageous, challenges are Orthodoxy, when you look back down the lane of your life, make sure you have a good story to tell. Last one year has been a year of perseverance, patience, hard work, trust and above all the will to succeed. It was a year of turbulence due to Covid Pandemic, but at the end of the day, we are here contended with what we have done and with a smile on our face.

Our Classes for Class 10 and 12 started little earlier but the pandemic forced us to close the school leaving us in despair. Initially we were little confused and blind. But with a fortnight, we regained our power and started our online classes. We learned about different online platforms for the teaching and learning and restarted our classes by the end of March itself. We also supported our outgoing batches with full spirit and enthusiasm.

In the beginning we provided links from different educational resources in Google classroom like Diksha and You tube. Higher Class Students were asked to watch the video lessons, prepare notes and send them in classroom itself. Gradually teachers prepared their own video lessons and took live classes for the students everyday according to a fixed time table. For this, teachers from all sections have had to equip themselves with new skills in the realm of technology to make seamless transition from physical to digital classes. Class 11 started on 11<sup>th</sup> June. Lower classes started on 18<sup>th</sup> May itself. Initially, some activities were given to lower classes to make them prepare for the next class since there was no annual exam for them. We even gave them some revisions and a small bridge course as students were not in acquaintance with their books for more than two months. For the KG section, we started the class in the first week of June itself.

According to the time table, students were given subject wise video/audio lessons every day. From Monday to Friday for classes one to five one hr live session was taken separately other than video lessons where doubt clearance,

dictation, oral questions, reading etc were conducted. For classes 6 to 8, apart from everyday video lessons, live sessions have been taken on Saturdays and Sundays where all subjects of that particular week were covered by the subject teachers. This was done to support the working parents as every one was confused and not equipped to face the challenges posed by the Covid.

We had parents and students down with Covid. Class teachers, Coordinators and Principal tried to call them and enquired their wellbeing, motivated them and gave them the courage to face the pandemic. At this time, let me regretfully inform the sad loss of parents of some of our students due to Covid. Many parents came back from the gulf and other countries as they lost their job. We always showed an empathetic heart to every parent and children. We consoled them and supported them with patience to recover from their turbulent phase of life.

We conducted unit tests, dictations, problem solving work sheets, grammar exercise etc from time to time and evaluations were done. PA1, PA2 and PA3 were also conducted in time through online mode and published the results to the students and parents. We even conducted special practice sessions for all students of classes from Class 1 to 8 for Maths and for Grammar practice. Special period was also allotted for smaller students to improve in their reading skills in the languages. Class 10 and 12 portions were completed in November. Apart from PA exams, 4 model exams were conducted for them. From January 4<sup>th</sup> onwards we have taken offline revision classes for class 10 and 12 but school closed again in the month of April. We could conduct annual exam for class 9 and 11 at school and could promote them to the new class successfully.

Co-curricular activities like art integrated activities, Physical Education, Art education, English Communication, Abacus etc were been conducted with due importance. We also encouraged extra-curricular activities like video making, cooking, dancing, singing, craft, painting, and cycling. Stay Fit programmes and self-defence classes were taken. Special days were celebrated with due importance. Digital evidences of all activities of students have been collected by concerned class teachers and appreciations were given to students each time.

Parents were asked to submit the notebooks and exam papers to school from November onwards. We collected all note books and cross checked to make sure that every child completed their specified work. We conducted Class PTA

meetings for all classes from KG to Class 12 minimum four times last year. Even though, GC conducted most of the meetings, Principal/ Vice Principal conducted at least two PTA Meetings to ensure effective communication with Parents. Open houseswere conducted in January and March. We even conducted two PTA Executive Meetings last year.

It has been a challenging year for both students and teachers as they transformed their mode of teaching – learning virtual. Live sessions were hindered due to network issues. Teachers had to take care of those students who didn't have an android phone at home. But those teachers called the students every other day, discussed the topics and asked questions through audio call, leaving no one behind. There were instances where teachers had to take the same classes repeatedly for those who were absent due to inconsistent power supply. Online examinations and corrections were a big challenge for every teacher.

Parents were a great help for the teachers during the pandemic. They supported us by acting as helpers, invigilators during exams, messengers to transfer ideas to students etc. They communicated regularly with the concerned teachers and shared their ideas and suggestions.

At the end of the day, we are very proud of our actions and accomplishments. We know the reward for all our well-done work is the opportunity to do more and we are looking forward to yet another fruitful year.

It is good to test yourself and develop your talents and ambitions as fully as you can and achieve greater success; but I think success is the feeling you get from a job well done, and the key thing is to do more work in the most desired way.

## Thank you

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