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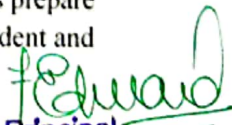
2020 – 2021

The academic year 2020 – 2021 started on a very unusual note, the never heard of pandemic, covid 19, had brought the whole world to a stand still including the schools and colleges across the globe. Initially it seemed as if everything is lost and schools all over India could not figure out how to manage the situation. The biggest challenge was to ensure that the student stays safe at home, yet, his/her academic continuity and growth remains undisturbed: it is said, “necessity is the mother of all inventions”. We although did not invent anything new but decided to make use of the digital technology to help us in making the school and teaching reach the safe confines of our student’s house. This is easier said than done, the schools were not equipped to go digital over night for all its student, the faculty, especially the elderly ones were not even trained and confident enough to use technology for teaching, at certain places internet facility was not available and some did not even have a smart phone. An urgent zoom meeting of the school management committee was called for and the following was discussed and decided –

1. Classes must go on so that student are kept constructively occupied and are not effective by the frightful situation.
2. All necessary gadgets, software’s and services be immediately, arranged and searched for.
3. Hand holding for those teachers who are not very comfortable and confident in use of technology for teaching.
4. Flexible time frame with proper breaks and gaps so that the student does not remain on line/on screen for long stretches of time.
5. Provision for siblings with just one phone so that no one loses on their academic work.
6. Provision for poor internet connectivity.it was decided that the existing ERP software be used for these problems. The teacher will record the whole class and upload the video on ERP is the same class group so that those who have missed the live class due to internet problem, non-availability of two smart phones or any other reason will be able to view it at their suitable time. The initial response from the parent’s side was lukewarm, however, the help of PTA was sought and their efforts finally helped us in bridging all the challenges and online classes for all our students began on the 1st of April, 2020.

The first hurdle was over but there were more challenges and the biggest two among them were the examinations and co-curricular and extracurricular activities; how to conduct these online?, and here again the PTA came to our rescue and it was decided that all the activities will be announced online and parents will help students prepare for the activity / competition; a recorded audio/ video will be sent by the student and


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the event / activity/ competition in charge will evaluate the students' performance accordingly - competitions and activities like the following were conducted online

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- International tiger day was celebrated
- Rakhi making competition was conducted.
- Essay writing on raksha bandan was done.
- Matki decoration competition and palana making competition on Janamashtami were done
- Story telling competition.
- Acting competition.
- Speech and poem recitation competition.

The following were abjudged winners.

- Swayam Panda of 7th class in speech.
- Samraddhi Pathak of 3rd class in poem recitation.
- Vanshika Baghel of 2nd won in acting.
- Khushboo and Saniya of class 9th in essay writing.
- Aarti and Palak of 8th in story telling.
- Akansha Meena of 4th class in matki decorating.
- Garima of 7th class in palana making.
- Shrishti of class 6th in rakhi making.
- Lavanya of 2nd class in hindi essay writing.


The Sports Department did not lag behind and conducted some interesting and challenging competitions, hence helping the students to stay active and fit during lockdown.

The following competitions were conducted:-

- Balancing the book
- Hopscotch
- Throwing the ball at target
- Skipping
- Jumping jack
- Zig zag running

The following were abjudged winner: -

- Aryan Singh of 6th in zig zag running
- Swadha Panda of 5th in jumping jack
- Devashree Modi of 6th in skipping competition
- Ada khan of 2nd in throwing the ball at target
- Shiksha Jha of 1st in hopscotch
- Divyansh of 1st in balancing the book


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The school could organize some offline events and competitions like-


- Republic day celebration
- Shubhash Chandra Bose jayanti
- Science exhibition
- Art & craft exhibition
- Rangoli making competition
- Poster presentation

The school conducted all tests and examinations online via ERP software and everything went as smoothly as an offline examination barring a few initial setbacks. The overall attendance percentage for everyday online classes was approx. 76% and the attendance percentage for online examination was approx. 87% which, by all means and pstandards, was a very encouraging percentage.

The lockdown and pandemic helped our teachers to teach our students the ill effects of pollution with live examples. The sightings of Himalayas from Punjab and Saharanpur were real examples of the damage that we cause to our environment by our selfish, careless ways. The students understood and realized the importance of taking care of our environment for a healthy and long life.

Overall a wonderful year, yes I know it must sound strange anyone calling the year 2020 wonderful, well, there are two ways of looking at any given situation, for most the year was full of horror, fear, uncertainty, worries, loss and tension but for us it was the year that gave us the much needed time to be with our loved ones and spend some quality time with them, to re-establish contact with those with whom we had lost touch because of our excessively busy life. The year gave us the golden opportunity to spend some time with our creator, God, yes when crisis came, most of us remembered and prayed to our God. This was the year of new learnings, innovation and experiments, it gave our teachers the much needed time to think about our teaching methods and allow technology to enter the classroom and help our students learn and understand better. This year was the year that made us realize that no matter how much wealth, name, fame and power I earn but at the end it is only my family and friends who will help me in my time of crisis. My wealth, position and power will not gain me immortality and when I will embark on my final journey, only my loved ones will remember me, and cry for me, so it's better to have family and friends around rather than riches and power. This year helped me introspect and change myself to a better human being. I am sure you all also must have learnt a lot and benefited from this unusual year 2020.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!


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