

Dear Parents/Guardians

Warm Greetings!

The beginning of a new academic session is always considered propitious. Nature works in a beautiful rhythm and cycle: sun rises and sets, earth spins on its axis, different seasons come and go. In fact, the whole universe follows a certain pattern. In the same way, we have also completed a cycle (academic session 2019-20) and started another one (2020-21) with new books, new activities and online classes. We express our sincere gratitude for your whole hearted cooperation in our endeavor to give quality education and guidance to all our students.

With the outbreak of the coronavirus Covid 19 pandemic and the government orders for extended lockdowns across the country for all educational institutions, the conventional method of teaching has undergone a radical change. The social distancing norms and other precautions have forced schools to go online and our school is no exception. Not to let the students suffer academically, Presentation Convent Sr. Sec. School, Delhi has also taken a proactive approach and geared itself to take online classes. All the teachers and staff have worked tirelessly and in a short span of time prepared lessons & assignments accordingly and acquainted themselves with the new methods of teaching. Since then, regular classes are being taken and the feedback received from the students and the parents has been overwhelming.

We are aware that children are very vulnerable to cyber predators and the internet can be a dangerous neighbourhood for everyone. Hence, in addition to the regular online classes, special programme on Cyber Security was also arranged to familiarize students with the prevalent internet threats. This session was taken by Mr Gurpreet Singh for classes IX & X. Another cyber safety workshop is planned for parents and students of classes VI to XII on 23 May, 2020. The resource person, Mr Rakshit Tondon is a renowned speaker in this field and highly sought after for his guidance and recommendations.

In order to combat the issues related to the current pandemic, a few special counselling sessions were organized as under to educate the students:

Classes IX&X (12 May, 2020): Dr. Madhumati Singh

Class VIII (13 May, 2020): Ms Avnita and Ms Anna Pinto

Class VII (14 May, 2020): Ms Avnita and Ms Anna Pinto

Class VI (15 May, 2020): Ms Avnita and Ms Ann Babu

To motivate and also to reintroduce the students & parents to the academic and social aspects of the institution as they transit to the higher classes, class interactive sessions were also arranged. Online classes were evaluated and other relevant information was shared. The sessions were well received by both the students and the parents and their recommendations/feedback would definitely add value to the existing school curriculum.

The School Management also held two online staff meetings to review the efficacy of ongoing online classes and to find ways and means to further improve upon the methods of imparting education. The recurring issues faced by the students were discussed threadbare to make the online teaching more effective and meaningful.

It is for the information of all the parents that the Date sheet for Periodic Test 1 has already been shared with the students. Exams started on 18 May, 2020 and would be concluded on 23 May, 2020.(classes VI, VII and VIII will have their last paper on 26 May) The school will remain closed from 27 May, 2020 till 30 June, 2020 for summer vacation. There is lot of uncertainty right now about the reopening of the school, we would be strictly following the Government directives in this matter. However, till further order from the Government, the online classes will resume from 01 July, 2020.

It is our constant endeavour to impart quality education to our students in the best possible manner in this challenging time. However, suggestions, if any, on the part of the parents and students to further finetune the teaching methodology is always welcomed.

Last but not the least is the point regarding timely payment of the fees of your ward. The economic impact of the lockdown is unparalleled and distressing for all of us. Even with all the calculations gone erratic, online classes have been made possible for all the students. Hence parents are requested to ensure the fee is paid timely (as per schedule) so that the financial health of the school is sustained for meeting various obligations/commitments of the school. The fees could be paid through campus care parent portal ([pcscampuscare.org](http://pcscampuscare.org)). Your continued support in this regard is highly solicited.

The corona calamity has already become a lesson in unity, solidarity and fundamental equality of all human beings. Let us remember this and help one another in coping up with the current crisis. Stay Safe, Stay Blessed!

Wishing you and your family a very Happy Eid! May you receive all the joys of life on the occasion of Eid. Eid Mubarak!

God Bless!

Regards

Principal

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