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Dear Parents,

I, Nupur Agarwal, on behalf of the entire team would like to extend a warm welcome to you all for the new Academic Session 2020-2021. I shall be the Rep for class X, for this session. I have been teaching physics and I have been part of the Sanskriti family since 2003.

As you are aware the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has been declared as a Public Health Emergency and the virus has now spread to many countries and territories. While COVID-19 continues to spread, it is important we all must take action to prevent further transmission, reduce the impacts of the outbreak and support control measures. The protection of children is particularly important.

According to Unicef, "...children and young people are global citizens, powerful agents of change and the next generation of caregivers, scientists, and doctors. Any crisis presents the opportunity to help them learn, cultivate compassion and increase resilience while building a safer and more caring community." Now it becomes our duty to keep our students occupied productively. We know that the school and parents are together in this endeavour. We would like to share strategies that have been planned to keep them busy and ensure that learning is happening, even if it means through the virtual world.

Continuing with our practice during the extra classes, the students will be kept engaged through online and offline activities conducted by respective faculty members from the 8th of April, 2020. These online activities include teaching-learning using different modes - assignments, tutorials, quizzes, sharing of learning material, project based tasks etc. Please, remember, these lessons are designed to reinforce and enrich student skills while schools are closed. They are NOT meant to add stress to an already very difficult time in our lives. Further the faculty members would be using Google classrooms to share the hangout links and support material for the lesson. We would be having **four slots of hangout sessions** each day from **8:00 am to 12 noon**, the details of which will be reflected under the heading "**Class VI- X and XII schedule for Remote learning**" on the school website. As the children share a special bond with their class teachers and counsellor, every Friday we would have a slot for CTIP or Counsellor's period to facilitate students to communicate with their teachers if they have any questions or concerns. Also, please find below some of the e-learning platforms recommended by MHRD to facilitate learning.

1. <https://diksha.gov.in/cbse/>
2. <http://epathshala.nic.in/>
3. <https://nroer.gov.in/welcome>
4. <https://swayam.gov.in/>
5. <https://www.swayamprabha.gov.in/>

So, at our end we are trying our best to do whatever can be done under the current situation. A very significant aspect of this is to make our students understand what is expected of them during these days. These remote learning etiquettes should be conscientiously followed to ensure effective and meaningful learning.

REMOTE LEARNING ETIQUETTES

For Students

1. To start with, punctuality and regularity are the key to any learning-real or virtual. Hence, we would appreciate it if the students log in at the time given to them by their teachers.
2. Students should understand that they are accountable for every action. Therefore unlike a real classroom; the teacher will not be able to check if someone leaves the class in between. The child has to understand that it will be his loss, if he chooses to do that.
3. There will be zero tolerance for students who try to disrupt the class or create nuisance, because we have to understand that teachers are working extremely hard to plan every lesson and utilize every minute of each class.
4. As far as assignments are concerned, at our end we are trying that students are not overburdened, but submission is totally their responsibility. They will have to comprehend that there will be deadlines and they have to adhere to it. Teachers will not be pestering them to submit, as it happens in a real class.
5. All users are expected to follow existing copyright laws and educational fair use policies.
6. Students are expected to notify a staff member immediately if they come across information, images, or messages that are inappropriate, dangerous, threatening, or make them feel uncomfortable.
7. Students who identify or know about a security problem are expected to convey the details to their teacher without discussing it with other students.
8. Students will not share their password with other students at any time.

Suggestions for Parents

1. To ensure that classes are effective and meaningful we will require the support of parents. Please ensure that children take responsibility for their own learning, follow a routine and ensure that they clarify all doubts on their own.
2. The parent/guardian must agree to monitor student's internet use at home (if applicable) and away from school. The best way to keep students safe and on-task is to have a parent/guardian present and involved.
3. Kindly allow internet use only in the common room (Living Room).
4. Ask questions and see their work often.
5. Monitor children using the network and making them aware of the consequences of providing addresses or volunteering personal information to others who may use it inappropriately.
6. Refrain from any activity that may harass, threaten, defame, slander, libel, malign, or abuse another (individual or group).

In these trying times children may respond to stress in different ways. Common responses include having difficulties sleeping, being anxious, withdrawn, angry, depressed or disruptive. Respond to children's reactions in a supportive way and explain to them that these are normal reactions to an abnormal situation like this. Listen to their concerns and take time to comfort them and give them affection, reassure them they are safe as long as they are indoors. If possible, create opportunities for children to exercise and relax. We will be sharing some routines to stay fit on the website. These have been specifically designed by our own PE teachers. Keep regular routines and schedules as much as possible. Discuss what has happened, explain what is going on and give them clear examples on what they can do to help protect themselves and others from infection. You may also involve them in daily household jobs to keep them busy and involved with family. This is the time to train them in life skills which will be of great use in their future life.

We understand these are difficult times and we are all trying to adjust in our own ways. But at the same time we cannot let go off so much time. We need your cooperation to make use of this time in the best possible manner for the betterment of our children. We would like to end by saying how much the students are being missed. We are concerned for our students' health and well-being, as well as their families. This is not a time for us to panic. This is a time for us to come together. We are all in this fight together.

The Grade X class teachers for the academic session 2020-2021 are as follows:

X-A	Ms. Sharmila Malik
X-B	Ms. Jaya Mathur
X-C	Ms. Saroj Mangain
X-D	Ms. Minakshi Khemka
X-E	Ms. Monika Marwah Adarsh
X-F	Ms. Aditi Acharya
X-G	Ms. Astha Chopra
X-H	Ms. Rekha Sharma
X-I	Ms. Shuchi Mishra

For any further assistance or concern, kindly mail the class teachers or me at nupuragrwal@sanskritischool.edu.in

Thanking you,
Warm Regards
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