BAL BHARATI PUBLIC SCHOOL SECTOR- 14, ROHINI, DELHI - 110085

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Dear Parents

Warm Greetings to you all!

Festivals are a harbinger of goodness and positivity and their celebrations are known to fill human heart with cheer and hope, even in adversity. Amidst this festive season, it was with great joy that we were looking forward to welcoming our learners in the school premises. As per the guidelines obtained from WHO, MHRD, etc, we have prepared an exhaustive SOP for safe reopening. The school is well prepared with installation of sanitizer machines, arrangements to sanitize classrooms twice a day, signages to facilitate smooth movement in staircases, classrooms etc. while ensuring social distancing, provision of disposable masks/rubber gloves, and creation of a dedicated isolation room, etc.

However, the prevalent pandemic pandemonium with the escalating numbers of Corona positive cases, has yet again led the State Government to defer opening of the schools until the 30th November 2020. Dismayed as we are, the safety and well-being of the learners is our priority too, as is our firm resolve to ensure that their learning goes on uninterrupted. Therefore, we shall continue with the online classes with our characteristic adroitness and zeal. We also thank you for your positive suggestions, which have helped us to streamline the classes, making learning more effective and effortless for the students.

A sound partnership between the school and home of the learners is very important for achieving learning outcomes, fulfilling aspirations of each child, and for the overall progress of the school. Indeed, the school and the parents, as responsible stakeholders, have nurtured this mutually symbiotic relationship very carefully. This is substantiated by the fact that the school has yet again been acclaimed as one of the topmost schools in Leaders Category in North Delhi in the prestigious Times School Survey 2020. Moreover, like all previous years, with guidance of teachers even if virtual, and the support of parents, our students have been winning accolades in numerous online interschool competitions. We are sure that you would commend the school's efforts to provide uninterrupted holistic education even during these adverse circumstances.

School has continued its functioning, irrespective of the lockdown. These classes endeavoured to engage children in structured meaningful routines, which helped them to cope better with life, amidst the uncertainties overwhelming the global society. Therefore, it is expected that parents should also support the institution, by paying the fee dues timely, to enable the school to continue its multifarious activities for the welfare of learners.

To ease the burden of fees on parents, the school management unanimously decided to charge the fee at the same rate as 2019-20, even though a 5% hike was already approved. Further, in the present academic session, only tuition fee has been charged, on monthly or quarterly basis during the lockdown period, as per each parent's choice.

The school has not charged Activity fee, Laboratory fee or transport fee. However, parents have been requested to pay the Development Fee and Annual charges, in instalments, along with the tuition fee of the second and subsequent quarters. In this context, I would like the parents to note that while the tuition fee is required to pay the salary of the staff members; Annual charges help to meet the administrative expenses, such as Security, Cleanliness, Electricity, Water charges, besides the other fixed taxes payable to the government etc. The Development fund is necessary for the upkeep, development, and maintenance of the infrastructure of the school campus. To name a few works undertaken at Sector – 14 Rohini, the boundary wall has been strengthened, the play field has been developed, RO plants have been installed, Medical Room has been renovated. Also, considering the present importance of technology in the learning ecosystems, lease line has been procured and firewalls have been installed. Thus, just as you would, we too, are doing our bit to enhance the facilities and learning spaces where the children spend at least one-fourth of their day, every day, for almost 14 most impressionable years of their life.

The Government guidelines provided that Annual and Development charges shall be charged after completion of the lockdown period. We believe that since lockdown has ended, charging these components of fee are within rules. All businesses, professional and other establishments have 'opened' and are functional even if, with restrictions. So, even as we await orders from the Court, we urge you to pay these charges in instalments, for it indeed would be burdensome, to pay the entire amount all at once later. Moreover, we too need these funds, to complete the developmental work while the children are still away from the school campus. It is therefore our request, though not mandatory, that you pay these charges at this time.

Dear Parents, we are sure that by paying the fees timely, you would extend your support, as you constantly do, in numerous ways. Indeed, you have always been our pillar of strength and proactively contributed in making the school a premiere progressive 75 year-old legacy that represents excellence in education. It often occurs

to me, a school really belongs to its learners, while all other stakeholders are merely its custodians. It is indeed the children, who most fondly remember their alma mater and the magical days of their childhood and early youth with nostalgia. So, I urge you to pay the fees and help us to create educational havens for our children to thrive and script heart-warming memories to recount them in later years of life.

As we revel in the spirit of the festivities, let us also remember and teach our children to celebrate life, for that helps to keep alight the flame of hope in our hearts, and gives us the courage to create rainbows whenever storms beset our lives.

I pray that this festive season marks the beginning of a beautiful year that helps the world to heal, ushers positivity and brings immense joy and happiness to all!

Best wishes to you and your family.

Geeta Gangwani

Principal