

BBPSRH/Parent/2021-22/06

"Que sera, sera Whatever will be, will be The future's not ours to see..."

- Jay Livingston and Ray Evans

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Dear Parents

On behalf of the Management and staff of the school, I extend my sincere congratulations to your ward/s on the successful completion of the academic session 2020-21. Even as we looked forward to ushering the new academic session with innovative methods of transacting curriculum, such as hybrid teaching etc. to cater to the individual needs of the learners, the grim situation created by the rising trajectory of corona inflicted cases, forced schools to shift to the online mode of teaching, yet again. Thus, the academic session, 2021-22 was initiated as per schedule, on 5 April 2021, but through the virtual platform -using GSuite, Snap homework and Whatsapp etc. - in the safe precincts of learners' respective homes.

During the previous session, despite a variety of challenges posed by the unprecedented situation, we were able to shift to the online mode of transacting curriculum in an overall seamless manner owing to the school's progressive policies, which also included prior exposure to techno-pedagogy. In fact, we were largely successful in providing holistic learning experiences to our learners, focusing on their scholastic and co-scholastic aspirations. The honours and awards chronicled in our records of 2020-21, bear testimony to the school's excellence even during the adverse circumstances prevalent last year. To name a few, the school was accorded Rank 2 in the prestigious Times School Survey, among the top 10 schools in the 'Leaders Category' in the north region. In the prestigious survey conducted by Education World Ranking, the Co-Ed Day schools of Delhi & NCR, the school got All India Rank 120. In a significant survey conducted by Indian Institutional Ranking Framework (IIRF) 2021, BBPS RH has All India Rank 29 in Academics and 43rd in Overall School Performance. It is indeed a matter of great pride that the school got All India Rank 1 in the category Top CBSE School for Co-Curricular Education by Education Today.

For the fourth time in succession, the prestigious International Dimensions in School 2020-23 (IDS) Award by British Council was bestowed upon the school for adding international dimension to the curriculum. Ms Mridu Mawah, TGT Biology and Ms Purti Khanna, PRT English have been honoured with the prestigious CBSE Teachers Award 2019. The Students have received various meritorious positions and prizes in prestigious competitions and events. The school also ranked 9 in Asia and 4 in North Zone in the Global Online Mathematics Competition: Clash of Pi.

I attribute the stellar success of the school to the remarkable collaboration amongst all the stakeholders – the ever-supportive Management, the brilliant and assiduous staff members, the diligent students and most importantly, the relentless and forthcoming support of the parent body.

Endeavouring to build on the experiences of the previous session, as we continue our journey forward, we are presently engaged in devising newer and more meaningful activities, and capacity building programmes, to enrich the virtual learning experiences of our students. We continue to focus on facilitating student-centric holistic learning experiences, catering to scholastic as well as co-scholastic development of each learner. Year round morning connotative virtual assemblies were organized to promote the spirit of socio-cultural, scientific and environmental sensitivity among the students and most importantly to uphold the vigour of celebration and the snippets were shared each time through posts and videos circulated on various platforms. There has been an overwhelming participation in Interschool competitions throughout the year with commendable results. The school club activities have also been actively organized to keep the students engaged in innovative and creative tasks pertaining to the SDG Goals and 21 C skills. A novel activity in this regards was the execution of Ziar Kala Project: a self- sufficiency building task under the Entrepreneurship Club. Skill development initiatives such as ATL Kidex Interschool Challenge, HT Junior Codeathon & Artificial Intelligence Club, #WeRise Up4 SDGs: an International Collaborative Programme, Project Based Learning and Art Integration Projects etc. were included in the curriculum to widen the scope of holistic growth. It is quite evident that participation in these programmes, in addition to attending the classes regularly, would help students to have purposeful and structured routines, besides keeping them positive and motivated, amongst the negativity that prevails in the macrocosm. Also, while the children are confined within the houses, we urge you to include physical activities, such as aerobics, yoga etc. in their daily routine to promote physical fitness. Subsequently, we shall be organizing the Creative & Constructive Collaboration Programme during the summer break.

Dear parents, while the online interaction with our recently admitted junior- most batch of 2021 -22, has already started, you would certainly appreciate that we have conducted Preboard Examinations for the outgoing batch of Class XII session 2020 -21 for the impending Board Examinations, besides teaching the present Class XII batch of 2021-22. Soon, the students of Class X, will be allocated varied academic streams, and start with their Class XI curriculum. Thus, in this way, we have been trying to ensure that no class of the school is neglected in any way.

Even as we make all these efforts, we would welcome any feedback/suggestion you might want to share with us, since you must have closely monitored the online classes during the previous academic session. Your letters of appreciation last year boosted our morale, while the numerous suggestions, whether pertaining to screen time, or online annual assessments in addition to the planned offline assessments etc. were mostly heeded by us. Yes, your opinion matters to us, so does your whole-hearted trust and support. Keeping this in view, I would like to share with you the Fee-Structure and Billing for academic year 2021-22.

As you know that for the session 2020-21, though an increase in fee over 2019- 20 was proposed, but it was not charged considering the impact of the pandemic and the long lockdown. Therefore, in the session 2020-21, varied components of the fee were charged as per the fee structure of 2019-20 only, and Activity fee, Computer fee, Science fee, Computer aided learning fee, Specific Activity fee and Transport fee were not charged at all. Due to these measures, it was with great difficulty that we barely managed to continue the functioning of the school.

For the Session 2021-22, the School Managing Committee has approved of a Fee Structure, which is available on the school's website https://bbpsrohini.balbharati.org However, to mitigate the immediate financial burden on the parents we have decided to take the following measures:

- a) In the First Quarter, only Tuition Fee will be charged
- b) Annual Charges will be charged in 2 instalments in Q-II and Q-IV

- c) Development Fee for the year will be charged in 3 equal instalments in Q-II, Q-III, and Q-IV.
- d) No Activity fee, Computer fee, Science fee, Computer aided learning fee, Specific Activity fee etc will be charged until the school functions physically.
- e) No Transport fee will be charged until the students actually start using the transport.
- f) Against the present quarterly fee bill which is being issued, the parent/guardian will have the choice to pay the fee for a month at a time, by the respective due date(s). ECS will also be run as per monthly tuition fee.
- g) Fee bills are being made available through the parent portal. Procedure to access the parent portal remains the same as earlier. Detailed instructions regarding different modes of payment will also be mentioned on the fee bill.
- h) While making the payment online, one may change the amount payable, if fee is to be paid on monthly- basis. However, those who wish to pay the bill in full are not required to edit the payable amount.

We are hopeful that the measures outlined above will be appreciated and followed, as they are essential to ensure the smooth and consistent functioning of the school. Here, let me add that the school is more than an edifice. It represents the vision of its founding fathers; the consistent efforts of the Management to help it evolve timelessly; the zealous diligence of the staff members who innovate to empower learners indiscriminately; and most importantly, the rich mosaic of learning experiences of generations of students, which establish learning to be a continuously ongoing process. The previous academic session 2020-21, verily testifies the same. Thus, even as virtual school goes on, the staffmembers and I, eagerly wait for the learners to return, and bring alive the silent and still school premises, with their mirthful laughter, endless chatter, and energetic playfulness. Until then, let us all continue to follow Covid appropriate behaviour, stay safe, and pray together for the well-being of humanity.

Best wishes

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