

ONLINE LEARNING: THE JOURNEY SO FAR

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"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about Life - IT GOES ON" Robert Frost

Dear Parents,

As we all settle down to the life under Lockdown, we retrospect how different life was few weeks ago. As the world brought down to a standstill continues to wage war against COVID- 19 bravely, I wish to share my thoughts with you, our partners in all our endeavours.

Going back in time, I clearly remember how excitedly the school was getting itself readied for the new session 2020-21. The teachers were awaiting their children geared with galore of activities and strategies for another year of learning. As we were zealously engaged in incorporating latest innovations, organizing Teachers Training etc, we had no premonition that our continuous and consistent IT engagements will turn out be our biggest blessing during Lockdown times.

While closing down the school, my foremost thoughts were for our children who will be confined to four walls of their homes. They will be safe but they will be home bound. What will happen to their learning? How will they cope with such difficult times? How can we all ensure that these challenging times do not impact the learning and also, the lives of our children? At this juncture, the IT innovations and interventions came out as a boon to us. BBPS, Rohini is proud of the fact that it has developed its Digital prowess with able guidance and support from Tech Council, Child Education Society. With the kind patronage of visionaries in CES, hard work of teachers and support from parents, we were able to draft our Online teaching Plan along with logistics, behaviour protocol, schedules etc in a very short span of time.

At this juncture, I would like to put in words of appreciation for the effort and hours that the teachers have invested in adapting their entire teaching learning process onto digital platform. It is as much a learning experience for teachers as it is for children. With their passion & diligence, teachers have been able to overcome the initial challenges faced by them while using Google classroom & hangout meets for middle & senior Children .Online learning is in progress for all classes from PS to class XII through sharing of learning resources, online assignments, quizzes, podcasts, videos etc. I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Parents for being our biggest allies, supporting the child as well as motivating the teachers with highly positive and encouraging messages.

The words of Robert Frost, as quoted above aptly describe the need of the hour. Life goes on and even in the face of adversity; we must never lose hope and never give up. We are living through extraordinary times and it is our ability to collaborate, cooperate and connect that will be instrumental in coping with fears and stress.

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