

ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL



Dear parents and my dear children,

Greetings of peace and good! The summer vacation is coming to an end and I know you are waiting for a new beginning of life. Trusting in the Providence of God, we all look forward to the day when we are back on our school ground.

Our physical school building was closed for almost two months and our School Office resumed to work from Monday, May 11, 2020. Even as the campus remained closed, our teachers were reaching out to you with motivational messages nearly for the past one month. I hope you all must be recipients of their message in your WhatsApp. I am extremely proud of our teachers for keeping themselves connected to the children during the lock down period. I thank the teachers and office staff who are keeping our school community moving forward.

When and how to reopen schools is still uncertain for the department of education as the pandemic still continues to evolve. In the light of such situation, surrounding Covid 19, we continue to follow all the appropriate guidelines from the Department of Education with regard to school re-opening and how our school administration should handle the current situation once school is re-opened.

Decisions concerning health, hygiene and other safety requirements of children should be carefully thought out and planned. In this difficult time all of us will have to make joint efforts to relieve stress and do everything possible for our children. Therefore we need to be

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patient with our Department of Education and school administration during this period. The government is exploring a new system for opening schools.

I know there is nothing more important to you than the education of your children and this is the concern of humanity all over the globe. Children should not wait for the school to be re-opened but they should know how they must keep themselves engaged in learning at home. Learning is continues and remember, school is not the only place for learning.

Life as encountered today caused by Covid 19 pandemic has helped the parents to become more responsible towards the future of their children. A parent is a child's first teacher. Therefore, parents play an important role in their child's learning. I repeat that learning is continues and remember, school is not the only place for learning.

I used to tell the children during the school assembly to become self-responsible, self-directed and remain always motivated in life. I hope and pray that every child remains focussed and spends minimum three hours totally engaged in learning. This is my request because I know prolonged school closures and not paying attention to the directions of parents and teachers will only deepen the learning crisis. Our teachers have been motivating how the children must keep themselves engaged in. I request the children to kindly listen to our teachers' message again and again.

Children, I believe we all will be stronger when we come out on the other side of the COVID-19 Pandemic! We hold the pen! Together, we will write the best story for humanity today and tomorrow!

I pray that we all be blessed with peace over panic and faith over fear and remain a hope-filled school community. See you very soon! Until then, I pray for your family each day and thank you for keeping our School Mantra alive in your home. The Lord bless you!

Brother Sanil Tharayil
Principal

