

Dear Parents,

As our generation is passing through a once in a century crisis and anxiety of uncertainty, brooding over it is not the solution. As we try to get back to normalcy we will feel better. Keeping this in mind we are sending this circular to answer most of your questions which are listed below as FAQs

1. When is the school reopening?

As per the schedule school reopens on 1st June 2020 for Grades I to X, on 8th June for Grades UKG, LKG, Montessori Fresher, Junior, Senior. In the present circumstances, it depends on the policy announced by the state government which we all have to abide by.

2. If the reopening gets postponed what will be the status of classes?

Every year we begin the academic year in May itself for Grades IX and X. When the lockdown was announced we worked on conducting virtual classes. They turned out to be successful and we have completed about 15% of portions for them as we do every year. For Grades I to VIII and Pre-primary, every year, classes start in June and so we haven't started virtual classes for them, yet.

3. Will there be virtual classes for every grade now if the school doesn't reopen as per plan?

Yes, and you will be informed with all details much in advance about the link and modalities. You need to have good internet connection and at least a smart phone. With pre-primary and primary school children you may have to sit until they get used to it. The portions completed in virtual classes will not be repeated when real classes begin at a later stage and lessons will be continued and exams will be conducted as usual.

4. How will we get the timetable and schedule for the virtual classes?

The timetable and schedule for the virtual classes will be uploaded in Microsoft Teams app. You can also download the **NPSTJ** app from Play Store to view all details for your ward.

5. If live classes start as per govt. policy and still we don't want to send our children to school because of the possible risk, will the school conduct virtual classes for such students?

If reopening happens as a policy framed by the government, no virtual classes will be made available. Attending the classes in school alone will be acceptable.

6. If for a few months or for longer period, only virtual classes happen, will there be a different fee structure announced?

The management has already announced the latest fees structure. The overhead expenses for the school in various forms don't change much. All expenses have to be incurred by the management as the previous years. So there will be no change in fee structure. The school already provides sibling discount of 25% for the younger child studying in our school.

7. Can we pay the fees in monthly instalments?

No. As in the past, fees will be collected in two instalments.

8. Is it safe to get parcels of books and uniform or visit the vendor's store?

Maximum precautions will be taken there for safety and to prevent infections. However, you are advised to sanitize the parcel when received and keep out of reach for a couple of days when received like we are doing with other articles/parcels of provision etc. bought home from outside. The vendor's store is open on every working day from Monday to Saturday, you may visit the store at your convenient time and purchase the items.

9. Can we place order for books and uniform now?

Yes, orders can be placed. The vendor's store is open on every working day from Monday to Saturday, you may visit the store at your convenient time and purchase the items.

10. What about transport fee if real classes do not happen?

You have to pay the first installment now. This will help us to bear the fixed expenses towards transport like driver's salary, attender's salary etc.

11. If the real classes happen how are you going to ensure issues like hygiene, social distancing etc. both in school and school bus?

For the chances of real classes happening any time, strategy is being worked out as per govt. directives, which will be applicable to all the Schools. At school level we shall take all precautions possible with children to follow safety norms.

12. When the real classes happen, will the activities like sports, hobby classes etc. be continued?

All such decisions as to conduct will be taken based on the prevailing situation and in the larger interest of students. Since we are experiencing a global problem we can overcome it only with understanding and when we work in total faith. We look forward to your complete cooperation to make our future brighter.

With regards,
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