

PTA General Body Meeting held on 18-04-2017

Minutes of the meeting

- The principal sir welcomed the parents and briefed the parents about the purpose of the meeting with respect to the new academic year.
- The principal said that we have already had the class wise PTA meeting it was necessary to have a general body meeting as per govt rules.
- The principal began with the first item in the agenda which was change in the academic year in April instead of June. He said that this was done so as to complete the 220 working days that is mandatory, which we couldn't complete in the previous years. There were 2 options either to cancel the holidays on second and fourth Saturdays or extend in April. After consultation with all the stake holders it was decided to extend in April.
- He spoke about the change in the school day schedule on request from many parents to cut down by an hour for the senior classes. From this academic year the school would function only till 4 pm. This change also brought some problems because management is keen on having all the activities as before. So, it was decided to have prep on some days and activities on other days with duration of games remaining the same as before. However, there would be a change in the games timings for some classes: Games will be in 2 shifts 2-3 and 3-4. Class 1-5 will have games between 2-3 and have prep for class 4-5 between 3-4. And senior classes will have games between 3-4. He said that there was minimum compromise on overall development of child with regard to activities for class 8-10.
- In view of the change in the school timings some changes were made in the groups for various competitions with in the school. The new groups will be as follows: 1st group - classes 1 to 3, 2nd group - classes 4 & 5, 3rd group - classes 6 to 8 and the last group - classes 9 to 12
- The principal spoke about the change in the exam pattern of class 6 upwards. There will be no CCE for (6-10) and we will have annual examination for 80 marks and 20 marks (10 marks for test, assessment in each quarter, convert it to 10 marks) and Classes 9 - 10 (out of the 3 best of 2 will be converted to 10 marks. Other 10 marks are split to 5 for note making, class work and home work regularly and punctuality. 5 marks are meant for subject related upgradation. In language, listening and speaking will be tested. Maths and Science:- Lab work and activities. Social Science:- Project and map filling. For co-scholastic discipline will be assessed. The principal briefed the parents about the exam patterns which is going to be followed.
- He spoke about the increase in fees to make payments according to the 7th pay commission. He said that the fee structure is placed on the school website. He said that CBSE and IT dept have insisted that all payments are to be made through cashless mode and through digital payment methods. He said that the school is looking at providing ways to implement the digital payment system.
- He spoke about the right habits to be inculcated in the children right from pre-primary stage and also to develop discipline among students.
- He spoke about the general behavior of the student. Discipline is all about having self control. The principal explained about how to develop discipline among children. Discipline is expected

to be continued when they go to secondary. They need to learn time management and to take on responsibility.

- He also briefed about the essence of CCE which our school is following for the all round development of the school. He said that the school was practising this even before CCE was introduced and will continue to do so.
- Apart from this, Principal said that parents can play a major role by sending their ward to school every day. He said that every child should attend the school every day. He spoke about the absence of children due to weddings, functions etc. Some children miss the classes for no good reason. He gave an example of one of the parent taking a child to watch IPL and miss the school.
- Also parents should make sure that the children come smartly dressed in complete uniform and no styled hair cut. Principal specifically said that tatoos and mehndi are not allowed.
- He also spoke that everybody is equal in school and so the children should not flaunt their wealth. For this reason we have rules like chocolates on birthdays worth not more than Rs. 3. Reason for such rule was parents used to send chocolates which were costlier. He said that he has come to know about some class 6 children wearing costly watches worth Rs. 8000 and more. There is no necessity of a watch in our school. The only time it may be required is during the exams. So, children will not be allowed to wear watches which are costly. If it happens it will be confiscated and given only at the end of the year.
- The principal conveyed about the class PTM's to form executive body which needs 1 member from each class as representatives. He also explained about the procedure to nominate PTA member.
- With this note the principal ended the meeting and asked for any queries to the parents to ask.
- One of the parent asked about the digital transaction of fees and principal answered him that we are looking at making provision for the same.
- One of the parent requested for reschedule of the third quarterly exam. The principal replied that calendar was discussed with the PTA executive committee members. Delaying the exam any further in January would further affect the preparation for the 4th quarterly exam. He said that the preparation for the Annual exam was more important as it carried 80 % weightage.
- The principal closed the session by thanking the parents.