



SANTA MARIA INTEGRATED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
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Dear Parent,

A very warm and heart felt greeting from Santa Maria. The school is physically empty of all the movement and laughter that we normally have, but the grass is getting greener and the birds are out in full force. We wish each of you health and safety. As we move on to new beginnings and new situations, we look for new solutions to face the challenges that life throws at us.

The new academic year is here and technology seems to be our only ally for any interaction. We plan to begin the year with short, online, fun interactions for all children. Please do remember that the internet, if not used carefully, can be dangerous. We look forward to a time when we can sit side by side and talk to each other in a more meaningful manner.

In order to be able to attend these classes, every child will need a device, which could be a desktop, a laptop, a tablet or a smart phone with internet connection. Definitely parental supervision and parental presence is a must during the time that the children are in the online class. This will help shield them from the many problems that the internet offers.

Teachers will be using both online and offline modes to transact the curriculum. A timetable for each class is being prepared and will be shared early next week on the website. Timings for the classes need to be strictly adhered to otherwise your child will miss part of the class. We do realize that we are at an experimental stage and we look forward to your cooperation in making these efforts effective.

Education does not take place only through interactions with a mentor or teacher. Specially for our little ones, education, in the true sense of the word, takes place through our everyday interactions and experiences. These are difficult days but if used constructively, through quality time with our children, reading, telling stories, listening to music, meaningful conversations, and exploring new games to play together indoors, we can realize not just our children's but also our own potential.

Let us remind our children that they are the privileged ones. Talk to them about the poor who are on the street, with no homes to lock-down in, hungry and without jobs and with no way to reach their villages, their homes, except by walking 100s of km.

We pray that 'God will make a way where there seems to be no way.....'

Health, Happiness and Peace

Deeksha Thomas

Principal

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