

**CIRCULAR FOR PARENTS**

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**To: Parents (Class 8)**

**From: The Principal**

**Subject: Factoid for Class 9, academic year 2016-2017**

**Dear Parents,**

It is a moment of achievement and joy to see our class 8 students graduating to the high school ( class 9) in the coming academic year. Hence we are sharing the factoid that contains the high school plans and details for the ICSE program preparation.

There will be an orientation for the parents in January 2016, on the same. The date for which will be informed later.

In case of any immediate query feel free to get in touch with the school at 9099900080 and meet the principal.

**With Warm Regards,**

*Mrs.Sutapa Mishra*

**The Principal**

**Redbricks Primary School**

**FACTOIDS FOR PARENTS**  
**CLASS 9 AND CLASS 10 ICSE - YEAR 2016-17**

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**1. ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17**

- Class 8 Semester-II exams for Academic Year 2015-16 will end on **19<sup>th</sup> March 2016**.
- Students will be required to attend school from **21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2016**.
- The report card of Class 8 will be shared with students and parents on **26<sup>th</sup> March 2016**.
- The new academic year for **Class 9** students will start from **28<sup>th</sup> March 2016**.
- The summer break will be from **23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016 to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016**. *(If required, students may be called for extra classes until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016.)*
- The Class 9 first term exams will be in **September 2016** and final exams will be in **February 2017**.
- The academic year for Class 10 will commence from **March 2017**.

**2. SUBJECTS- CLASS 9 AND CLASS 10**

The students will be required to undertake the following subjects of study for Class 9 and Class 10 ICSE.

GROUP	SUBJECTS
<b>Group I</b> (Compulsory)	1. English 2. Hindi 3. History, Civics and Geography
<b>Group II</b> (Compulsory)	4. Mathematics 5. Science ( <i>Physics, Chemistry, Biology</i> )
<b>Group III</b> (Any one)	6. Computer Applications or Art

- There will be an orientation session in the month of January 2016 for Class 8 parents to gain a better understanding of the ICSE Program.
- This orientation will also enable parents to think of the appropriate subject choice in Group III for their child.

- Students will be required to register with the ICSE board through the school. Further details regarding the charges for registration and dates will be shared by the school in due course of time.

### 3. CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR AREAS

High school students will be offered the following co-curricular and extra-curricular activities in addition to the above subjects-

1. Socially Useful and Productive work (SUPW) and Community Service
2. Sports and Physical Education
3. Visual Arts
4. Performing Arts
5. Self-Enrichment – A life skills development Program
6. House Activity and intra-school activities

Apart from this, students will be exposed to various activities in the following ways-

1. Field trips and industry visits
2. Apprenticeships and interactions with experts from various fields
3. Film screenings and discussions
4. Seminars on books and various topics
5. Celebration of various festivals, national and international days
6. Exchange with students of other schools/ institutes
7. Participation in external competitive and non-competitive platforms
8. Independent research projects

### 4. CAREER GUIDANCE

As students enter high school, it is important for them start planning their future career goals. The school will provide support of a career counselor who would orient students to various aspects of planning their careers. The counselor would also guide students to identify their aptitude and plan their further career steps.

The school will organize for some basic services from the career counselor, such as information sessions with students, etc. In addition, students may be required to contribute fees towards availing of specialized services from the career counselor- aptitude testing, individual career guidance, etc.

Apart from the career counselor, the school's teachers will be guides and mentors for high school students in making the career choices as per their interests and skills.

### 5. SCHOOL TIMINGS AND TIMETABLE

The school timings for high school students would be as under-

<b>DAYS</b>	<b>TIMINGS</b>
Monday to Friday	8 am to 3 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays will be holidays)	8 am to 3:30 pm*

*\*includes 50 mins of supervised practice time to recap various concepts and for clearing doubts with teachers related to various subjects*

Students may be called extra on 2<sup>nd</sup>/ 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays or required to stay back on selected Wednesdays in case of extra academic requirements as deemed fit by the teachers in consultation with the Principal.

## 6. TEXTBOOKS

The School will share the textbooks and notebooks list with parents in the month of February 2016. Parents will be required to buy the books before the commencement of Class 9 in March 2016.

## 7. ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The school will be required to follow the assessment system as defined by the CISCE board for ICSE examinations.

### Assessment for Subjects at the end of Class 10

Subject Group	Subjects	Percentage External Examination	Percentage Internal Assessment
<b>Group I and Group II Subjects</b>	1. English 2. Hindi 3. History, Civics and Geography 4. Mathematics 5. Science ( <i>Physics, Chemistry, Biology</i> )	<b>80%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Group III Subjects</b>	6. Computer Applications or Art	<b>50%</b>	<b>50%</b>

The assessment in “Socially Useful Productive Work and Community Service” will be made by the school, and the result will count towards the award of the ICSE Certificate.

### Assessment in Class 9

- Class 9 Students will have two semester-end examinations conducted internally by the school.
- Promotion from Class 9 to Class 10 requires the students to have obtained at least 35% marks in five subjects including English on the cumulative average and a minimum attendance of 75% of the working days.
- Apart from the semester-end examinations, students will be assessed internally and continuously through graded assignments, practical work, cycle tests, classwork and homework performance.