

CIRCULAR FOR PARENTS

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To: Parents (Class 1-Satellite, Class 1 to Class 10 Santej)

From: The Principal

Subject: Online Schooling Update due to COVID

Attachment/s: Online Schooling- Google Meet Links (Updated on 1st August)

Dear Parents,

Thank you for extending your cooperation in conducting classes online today. This circular is to update you on the COVID situation and further decisions taken by the school.

As shared in our message yesterday, quite a few of our teachers have tested covid positive or developed covid-type symptoms over the last few days. In addition, we have also observed many students being sick during the last week with some staying at home while others coming to school despite symptoms.

It is very important for us to maintain a safe learning environment for our students. We would not like for teachers with infection/symptoms to teach physical classes, and for our sick children to feel pressured to attend physical classes.

Keeping in view the safety of everyone and to ensure learning continuity despite high incidence of sickness amongst students and staff, we have decided to continue with online schooling for this entire week i.e. until 6th August 2022, Saturday. We are positive that many of our staff and students will recover within this time frame, and we can arrest the spread of infection before it can further spread in our school community.

Please note the following:

- Some parents have requested that the school share the names of teachers who have tested positive. We have decided to not share the specific names to maintain their privacy. In any case, parents should be vigilant about their children's health by monitoring their symptoms and by seeking the right treatment at the right time.
- We also recommend that your children do not meet other Redbricks students outside school during this week, to avoid getting further exposure.

Some guidelines regarding online schooling:

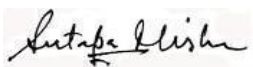
- The following subjects will not have online classes. Students can choose to self-study at that time:
 - Reflection Time
 - Assembly
 - House Activity
 - Football
 - Library (*encourage students to read a book of their choice during this time*)
 - Outdoor Free Play/ Indoor Free Play

- Homeroom Time, Community Building Time, Chess, Karate, and Athletics will be conducted online during this week. Students should plan to attend these sessions.
- On 6th August, online school will follow the 3rd Saturday timetable. Instead on 20th August, physical school will be conducted with the 1st Saturday timetable.
- For Class 5 to Class 8, the “Self-Enrichment” and “Enrichment Clusters” sessions will be conducted not in their class groups, but in their mixed-age groups like physical school. The Google Meet joining links for these sessions have been added to this document:
 - **Google Meet Links for Online Schooling (Updated on 1st August):** <https://bit.ly/3QdmpXZ>
- For Class 5A, separate Google Meet links for “Gujarati” and “French” are also added in the above document. For Class 9 and Class 10, separate Google Meet links for “Art” and “Computer Applications” are also added in the above document.
- Students who have left their notebooks in the school, will need to use an extra notebook at home (can be common for all subjects) for making notes during the online classes.
- The UEA tests (Class 5,6) and Cycle Tests (Class 7 to Class 9) will be conducted online from **3rd August, Wednesday** onwards.
 - **For Class 5,6** - Students will follow the same UEA timetable as shared before in [Circular No. 24](#) and [Circular No. 25](#). The test will be conducted between 8:00 am to 8:50 am - students should log in 5 minutes before the scheduled time. Regular sessions will continue after the UEA test as per that day’s timetable.
 - **For Class 7 to Class 9** - The Cycle test scheduled for 1st and 2nd August is postponed to a later date. Cycle test will be conducted 3rd August onwards as per the original test schedule. More details will be shared tomorrow on the Homeroom GC.

If you have further questions, you can send a private message to the HRT using the Homeroom GC for clarifications.

Together we can weather this covid wave as true partners while balancing safety and learning needs of our children. Thank you for your partnership.

Best regards,



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Principal

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