

DSK SCHOOL

Parents Teachers Association 2021 -22

General Body Meeting

Date: 26th August 2021

Venue: DSK SCHOOL

Parents Strength: 1308

Time: 9am

Mode: Zoom (Online)

Present: 283

Welcome

1. The School Principal, Mrs. Sundari Jaishankar chaired the meeting, ascertained the quorum and declared the meeting was in order.
2. She welcomed the parents and explained the purpose of forming a PTA. She appreciated the parents' involvement in their ward's education and added saying that the present unprecedented times has brought a stronger and healthier bond between the parents and the school.

Achievements – Academic year 2020 -21

1. Ms. Jaishree Mulay the Secretary of the PTA Executive committee presented the report of various activities conducted for the students in the year 2020 -21.
2. She also presented the achievements made by the students in various National level science projects like Inspire Award, Raman Award and Jigyasa Science project, Homibhabha examination and the Inter school competitions.

Upcoming Events & Review – Academic year 2021 -22

1. Ms. Neha Kapoor, the Coordinator of Upper Primary presented the plans of school in conducting various activities like Inter-Class competitions, Virtual Field trip, Celebration of festival, observing National and international days , competitive exams, guest lectures and science project competitions.
2. She also briefed the parents about the activities conducted in the first quarter of this academic year.

Introduction of PTA Executive Committee Members

1. Ms. Shweta Shete, the Coordinator of the Primary section briefed the parents the process of PTA formation, the selection of Executive members by lottery draw.
2. She introduced the Members to the parents present for the meeting.
3. The Executive Committee members self- introduced themselves and shared the positive experiences they had with the school.

4. The members assured their support and cooperation.

Open Forum

1. Q. Mr. Prasad Kulkarni parent of grade 2 suggested to change the structure of the questions in the assessment papers so that the questions are slightly challenging for the students. He also requested to add art period for the students.
A. The Principal accepted the suggestion of preparing challenging Question paper for the students and added saying that the special activities like Art, music, Dance, Physical Education, Explorer lab, ATL lab and softskill were inducted in the timetable in the month of July.
2. Q. Mr. Sumit Sarkar parent of grade 1 opined that the weekly off should be on Saturdays and Sundays instead of Thursdays and Sundays. He also requested the school to arrange for vaccination camp in the school premises when vaccination drive will start for the children.
A. The Principal answered saying that Thursdays were given as weekly off as Pune city experiences Power cut on Thursdays. She also added saying that the school will consider this request in future. Regarding vaccination camp the Principal readily accepted the suggestion.
3. Q. Mr. Sachin Sable parent of grade 3 requested the school to introduce a foreign language for the students.
A. The Principal replied saying that the school has planned to introduce a foreign language in the academic year 2020 -21 but, unfortunately due to pandemic the plan was temporarily kept on hold it will be introduced once the school resumes functioning physically.
4. Q. Mrs. Prajakta Kawale, PTA representative of grade 6 has put forward a request shared by a 6th grader parent. The request is to start the library facility for the students.
Mrs. Kawale brought to the notice of the school that the students are spending additional screen time for completing the written assignments as they have to refer the file shared by the teachers in the Google classroom hence, request the teachers to give only the important questions to write and give an option to print the rest.
A. The Principal replied saying that the students can avail the school library facility and the parents can contact the Librarian.
The principal accepted the suggestion of the parent to minimize the written work at home but emphasized that the students need to have writing practice hence the home assignment can be partially handwritten and partially printed.
5. Q. Mrs. Asha Korana, PTA representative of grade 9 suggested to conduct career guidance session for the students of grade 9.
A. The principal replied saying that the school organizes such sessions for the students every year. Last academic year the school organized 'Career Insights'

session for grade IX and X students. This year too the school planned to conduct such sessions for the students.

6. Q. Mr. Gururaj Zunjarwad parent of grade 8 suggested to have more stringent methods in conducting online assessments for the students to avoid copying.

He also requested the school to go for online checking of answer scripts instead of parents coming to school to submit the answer scripts for checking.

- A. The Principal answered saying that the school has a well-defined system of proctoring during online assessment and will find technological solution to avoid copying during assessments.

Regarding checking of the answer scripts, the school has adopted online checking for classes 1 to 7 whereas, for classes 8 and 9 original answer scripts were told to be submitted to understand the students way of writing and to train them for better presentation.

Vote of thanks

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks proposed by the school principal

Management Representative

Mrs. Uma Panse, the Vice President of the school was present for the meeting.

Sundari Jaishankar
28/8/21

Mrs. Sundari Jaishankar

Chairman

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