ACCEL Formal+ Aspiration School

Newsletter 2020-21











- "The child is endowed with an unknown power and this unknown power guides us
- towards a more luminous future. Education can no longer be the giving of
- knowledge only; it must take a different path. The consideration of personality,
- the development of human potentialities must become the centre of education.
- When to begin such education?"

THE \ ABSORBENT \ MIND

- Maria Montessori -



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Dear Patron

The 17th Newsletter is being presented to you with great pride and satisfaction. We are very appreciative of the coordination and cooperation extended by all of you throughout the year .

We would like to present you the salient features of the activities performed successfully at ACCEL Formal plus Aspirational School.

JUNE 2020



1. Online classes started on 2nd June 2020. During the most challenging period of our life we adapted to Online classes @ ACCEL. During confinement online teaching offered teachers an efficient way to deliver lessons to the students. It not only took care of Accessibility Of Time And Place, but also improved Student Attendance. It suited a Variety Of Learning Styles too.

Though there were Technology Issues that we were faced with and also a sense of isolation, however, adapting to the resources available and training the teachers in a short time, we did develop a wonderful resource for Online teaching and classes crossing all odds together. Hence, having invested so much of time and effort in the virtual classes we look forward to utilize it in the new times to come.

JULY 2020

- 1. <u>Gurupoornima Celebration</u> on 4th July 2020, Saturday. This was one of our early events in this virtual world of education and celebration. Children for the first time started interacting in a virtual group.
- 2. <u>Varsha Mangal & Vrikhsharopan</u> was celebrated on 26th July 2020 colour coding with green and blue to bring some happiness in our confined lives. In our various creative endeavours, some of the teachers and students did the classes from the greenery outdoors. Vriksharopan was done by the children in the terrace and balcony gardens. The spirit of the festival was kept alive.



AUGUST 2020

1. Independence day celebration on 15th Aug, Wednesday - Music Fest by the ACCEL 1 & 2 combined students was held. The children took the initiative of recording their pieces with props in the house in the tricolours of India Flag.

Two special events followed in August 2020.

- 2. Remembering Maria Montessori and Rabindranath Tagore on 31st Aug.2020 This event is always held on 31st of August which is the birthday of Maria Montessori . Rabindranath Tagore's Birthday falls in the beginning of May. The school children do not have school during that time and we remember him along with Maria Montessori on 31st of Aug. through a very artistic rendition of songs , poems, dance & drama . This year we had a unique session of reading aloud from 'The Absorbent mind". By this time the little children had started enjoying the virtual programs and they became very deft in synthesizing their voice with pre recorded background music . A new style of production started from this event.
- 3. <u>Shreya's Piano Recital</u>. International Audience exceeding 80 numbers including our International Resource Pianist Takafumi Mori and his sister Violinist Yuko Mori. Our other teachers like Mathilde Perkins, Mentors Sunitha Subramanium participated in <u>Shreya's Piano Recital</u>.



SEPTEMBER 2020

1. <u>Teachers' Day Celebration</u> on 5th Sep. 2020. ACCEL Teachers group in 2020 - 21 has been a new group with 75% of the teachers joining new in this Academic year. Teachers day party was a splendid get together of the teachers and an ice breaker.

We warmed up the new teachers Anupama Kaushik (Pre primary), Sunalini Ramesh (Pianist), Ashish Ramnani (Piano, Keyboard & guitar), Meenakshi Swamynathan (Elementary), Kirti Dwivedi (Hindi Language teacher and Chief Officer In Charge.Marketing, enrolment and student affairs) and the teachers Anil Singh (Fine Arts), Tanusree Basu Sarkar (Indian Vocal), Amartyya Chatterjee (Kathak), Anish Dasgupta (Violin) and our Dear Founder, Principal Mrs. Sreela Deb to make the education at ACCEL a Premier one.



OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2020

- 1. Term 1 Parent Teacher Engagement (PTE), "GROUP" was held on Friday, 16th Oct. The Kathak department staged a small presentation and student Dhanya Marath, an IT professional, presented her certification programme ending presentations.
- 2. PTE 1st Term ws held on 18th Oct. 2020, Friday. 1st term PTE helped both parents and teachers to see that the students were on track, adapted well to the new system, and also helped us to have valuable feedback to develop on the areas which had the potential to be developed. On the whole a great way to look at ourselves and the little children. It gave us a lot of confidence to go ahead with our plans.
- 3. <u>Children's Day Celebration</u>: Partied with snacks, goodies, and Art Show. The game Antakshari was introduced during this celebration.

DECEMBER 2020

ANNUAL SHOW of <u>Cosmic Education</u> and <u>Performing Arts recital</u>: 18th Dec, 2020, Friday & 19th Dec., Saturday followed by <u>Encore event</u> and <u>Art Show</u> on 6th Jan. 2021.



JANUARY 2021

- 1. Please open the link for <u>FOUNDER'S NEW YEAR NOTE</u>.
- 2. New Year Event PRACHI Morning Ragas.
- 3. PTE 2nd term: Jan 23rd, Saturday & Jan 25th, Monday 2021. We took feedback from the parents to adapt our teaching methods to the requirement of the day. Thus giving us the confidence to be fully equipped with the new challenge. The method developed could very well be blended in the contact classes as well and the time, money and effort that got invested by all of us in this new method should be utilised in the best possible way.

FEBRUARY 2021

The most important highlight of the year <u>exceptional scorers</u> of ABRSM Exam .

Arnav Jabulee , Grade 8 : 131/150
 Anna Lahon, Grade 7 : 134/150
 Abhinaya Unnikrishnan , Grade 1 : 148/150

Amidst the complete online Piano education, Ms Sunalini Ramesh guided the students in the new recorded Piano Exam to achieve exceptional distinction grades to make the school proud of its piano department.

FEBRUARY 2021



- 1. Advent of spring and ACCEL children celebrate Basant Panchami with traditional songs and Saraswati Aradhana trained by Mrs. Tanusree.
- 2. February is the month for wrapping up the year . This year has been different from all other years in all respects. The highlight has been the "Faculty Development program" through distance education by Sr. Montessorian & Teacher trainer MS. Sunitha Subramanium. This program marked the start of the new structure of a year long facility of self development by the Montessori Teachers at ACCEL.
- 3. ACCEL also wanted a similar development towards understanding the philosophy among the parents. Ms. Sunitha Subramanium is conducting 4 such sessions in February & March 2021 called "The parent development Program." Accel has plans to take it forward throughout the next Academic Year.

March 2021

- 1. The festival of the Spring season "Holi" is around the corner and will not be left out in our celebrations. Children are eagerly looking forward to a musical performance for the occasion.
- 2. A school like ACCEL which promotes Adaptive thinking has been successful in bringing joy to the children in education making the teachers happy and proud and the parents relieved. Looking forward to the final PTE and wishing success!



Now is the time to talk about the year 2021 -22 commencing from April 1st 2021 with new energy, plans and vigour. It is also the time to remind one and all that the first installment of the fees is due and should be paid immediately for a smooth functioning of the school.

Please find attached the Proforma invoice and payment plans . You can pay by cash , cheque ,card or funds transfer.

Our Final PTE will be held on 26th & 27th March 2021 and report card distribution will be done on Saturday, 10th April 2021.



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