

VIRTUAL LEARNING GUIDE FOR PARENTS

What is virtual learning?

This is learning that is carried out using a digital electronic medium and students do not have to assemble in classrooms. Students will get the same quality of live active teaching from their teachers while at home by signing in the school’s online accounts via **ZOOM** and **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**. In this journey of virtual learning, parents are co-educators and will be required to assist from home for the smooth running of the program.

Parental obligations for effective E-Learning

This time at home might feel like a vacation for your children, but it’s important to remind them that their education is equally important as their safety. Obligations like class sessions, assignments, and tests must be taken seriously.

In order for your child or children to effectively engage in Virtual Learning, please provide the following;

Laptop or desktop PC

Webcam and microphone (Headphone with microphone combination is recommended)

Mouse

Graphic (Pen) Tablet (Optional)

Active broadband Internet connection to receive the lessons.

Guide your child to **USE HIS FULL NAME AND PROPER PROFILE PICTURE FOR ZOOM**. They should also wear appropriate clothing for the Virtual Class at all times.

Prepare a quiet space for your child’s virtual class if you have more than one child taking the classes, it is advisable to have separate rooms or areas for each.

Ensure your child joins the virtual classroom 5 minutes before the lesson starting time to make a check if the camera and microphone are working effectively.

Remind your child to check his/her school email, and the google classroom frequently for notifications and further assignments. You can link his or her email addresses to yours. Our technical team can assist you in this.

Ensure your child follows the timetable that is provided by the school and this time table is always posted in your child’s home class in **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**. i.e. S.1 Home class, S.2 Home class, S.3 Home class etc.

All the Virtual Classroom recordings and the instruction materials that are used during the session are the property of the school, that should not be shared on personal social media accounts or with third parties without the school administration’s consent.

Similarly, consent will be sought from the parents of students appearing in the recorded class before posting online.

Please note that by enrolling your child or children to take part in the virtual classes you are giving consent for the recording of his or her class sessions

Please note that there are recorded lessons for the virtual classes and that if the student wishes to review the recorded lessons, they can access them via the link which will be posted in your child's home class in google classroom.

While this is most certainly not a vacation, it's important to have some good time amid the global crisis with your children while they are at home. In this regard moderation is required probably not limited to the following ways;

Limit distraction

A “digital quarantine” might be necessary to keep your child's attention focused on their school work. You should limit their use of their devices, other than what is needed to complete their work, until their schoolwork is done.

Mix screen time with old school learning mediums

Your children will likely want to continue using a screen of some sort during their breaks, so it's important to limit screen time by mixing in old school mediums as well. They can read hard copy books.

Allow them to interact with friends

Your children are used to lots of social contact at school, so they will definitely feel the effects of being distanced from them. While it might not be safe for your kids to see their friends in person, you should allow them to interact with them online. And in so doing, let them have study peers that you know and approve of.

Maintain breaks such as snack time

Routines and schedules are extremely important for children at school, and this is no different in their virtual school at home. Children will function best if they maintain their routine as close to normal as possible.

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