

Timeless education for the new world

Dear parent,

As you would be aware, the situation with the COVID-19 outbreak continues to evolve rapidly, impacting the lives and routines of communities worldwide. In India, the Government has announced a slew of guidelines to contain the outbreak, which includes social distancing norms and a 21-day national lockdown till April 14th 2020.

I request that we all pledge to join hands with the governments and the healthcare professionals to effectively combat the pandemic, through coordinated efforts. And this is achieved by appreciating the spirit of the guidelines and the regulations prescribed by the government and ensuring that we wholeheartedly put the same in practice. The paramount objective in these circumstances, needs to be the safety of each one of us.

Even though isolation or lockdown can be challenging, let us resolve that we use this time to encourage our young learners to pick up new skills, to be constructively engaged in learning new concepts and to explore new vistas for developing their PQ, IQ, EQ and SQ. To this end, the academic team of BWIS will be sharing activity sheets starting from next week, which will help your ward to work on age-appropriate exercises, assignments and projects. Our team will keep you posted on this.

## Update on the school commencement:

Our project team is at an advanced stage of completing the school building infrastructure at BWIS Gunjur. We have also completed a significant chunk of masonry blockwork in the school building and are looking to take up the finishing work at the earliest.

- a) In the situation where the central and the state governments lift the lockdown and allow normal activity to resume from April 15th 2020, we are prepared to commence the school from June 2020 as per the intended plan. This is a situation that is definitely desirable for all of us and a scenario that we hope would pan out.
- b) In the case where the lockdown gets extended further, this could be something that can impact the commencement of the schools across India and in Bangalore. In any case, we will work with the Karnataka Education Board and the government to commence the 2020-21 academic year as per their recommendations. We are also putting in place a platform to enable the virtual delivery of academic sessions, in case the status-quo continues and if an unforeseen situation crops up.

Hence, we wish to update you that BWIS will ensure the continuity of learning for your child in all possible scenarios that may emerge in the near future. Please feel free to write to our parent relations team or to me, if you wish to seek any clarifications on this.

Best regards, Shailaja Appanaboyina Head of School – BWIS Gunjur