



PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, Kalkere

CBSE Aff. No.: 831082

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Dear Parents,
Greetings from PIS, Kalkere!

As our generation is continuing to pass through a once in a century crisis and anxiety of uncertainty, brooding over it is not the solution. As we try to get back to normalcy we will feel better. Keeping this in mind we are sending this circular to answer most of your questions which are listed below as FAQs

1. When is the school reopening?

As per the schedule announced earlier, school reopens on 20 May 2021 for Nursery, G I-IX and on 24 June for Jr. and Sr. KG. In the present circumstances, it depends on the policy announced by the state government which we all have to abide by.

2. Will there be virtual classes for every grade now if the school doesn't reopen as per plan?

Yes, and you will be informed with all details much in advance about the link and modalities. You need to have a good internet connection and at least a smart phone. With PJK and grade 1 children you may have to sit **until they get used to it only**. At the same time, we request you to not disturb the ongoing class in anyway. We are also planning to share recordings of the classes done by our teachers where ever required. The portions completed in virtual classes will not be repeated when real classes begin at a later stage and lessons will be continued and exams will be conducted as usual.

3. What about the details of online classes?

Mode of class: google meet (link for each class will be shared both in google classroom and whatsapp group for grade 1-9. Apart from google classroom, please check for resources on betweenus portal as well. PJK will get notification on whatsapp/betweenus portal

No. of classes: **pre-primary**: 3 sessions of 1 hour each per week

Grade 1-2 : 3 classes per day (30 min. each) (Mon, Wed and Fri) One of the days can have Upto 4 Classes.

Grade 3-5: 3 classes per day (30 min. each) (Mon to Fri) One of the days can have upto 4 Classes

Grade 6-8: 4 -5 classes per day (30 min. each - Mon-Fri)

Grade 9: 5-6 classes (Mon-Fri)
3 classes (Saturday)

Grade 1-9: a session on Life skill/PE/Yoga on Saturday

Note for Parents of grade 1: Teachers have already created class groups in google classroom for grade I-IX and will be sending some activities for grade 1 just to familiarise children with its usage. They might also conduct one/two live sessions for grade 1 before we actually start off. You are requested to help your children and ensure they participate in all prescribed classes and also submit their work in time.

****With the current decision of CBSE waving off grade 10 board exam and declaring the result based on performance of children in grade 9 and 10 in all school based activities and assessments, to avoid any inconveniences at later stage children of all grades and specially of grade 9 are advised to be serious and regular to classes and also in completing and submitting all their assignments/activities/assessments in time without fail.**

4. How to communicate with teachers/admin staff?

Our primary means of communication will be our school portal: betweenus.in

Please write to us on it. In case of emergency you can reach out the teachers on whatsapp as well.

5. Where to order for books and uniforms?

Please log into shopforschool.in for the same.

6. Can we place order for books and uniform now?

Yes, orders can be placed. However, delivery might be a little delayed as the lockdown is prevalent all over the country.

7. What about transport fee if real classes do not happen?

We will keep you informed on bus fee payment schedule based on whether the real classes will happen or not as per plan.

Before that we request you to keep the office informed if in case you want to opt for school transportation. This will help us plan accordingly.

8. If the real classes happen how are you going to ensure issues like hygiene, social distancing etc. both in school and school bus?

For the chances of real classes happening any time, strategy is being worked out in our HO, which will be applicable to all Podar Schools. At school level we shall take all precautions possible with children to follow safety norms.

9. When the real classes happen, will the activities like sports, hobby classes etc. be continued?

All such decisions as to conduct/continue with the mentioned activities will be taken based on the prevailing situation and in the larger interest of students.

10. Dos and Don'ts of online classes

- ❖ Children to log in at the right time for the class (preferably 1-2 min. before)
- ❖ Stick to a dedicated place for the class
- ❖ Ensure you have a clean background with no noise around
- ❖ Be presentable- with hair done and neat clothes-preferably school uniform to bring in the seriousness about ongoing learning activity
- ❖ Wait for your turn to speak
- ❖ Keep your system muted unless asked to switch on, raise your hands when you want to speak.
- ❖ Parents to refrain from interacting with teachers during class hours even if they feel tempted for whatever reasons

For any further details/clarifications please call us on 8884495236/8291691773/8217464458(PJK wing). You can also write to us:

betweenus.in/ admin.bengaluru3@podar.org / bengaluru3@jumbokids.com / principal.bengaluru3@podar.org

Since we are experiencing a global problem we can overcome it only with understanding and when we work in total faith.

We look forward to your complete cooperation to make our children's future brighter.

Until we meet next time please stay indoors, stay safe.

NOTE: 5% discount on whole year's fees if paid in one instalment before 15 June 2021.

Regards,

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