BAL BHARATI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Ganga Ram Hospital Marg, New Delhi -110060

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"Everybody's got the potential for great good and great wrong in them, but it's the choices we make that define who we really are."

- Charles de Lint

Dear Parents

On behalf of the Management and staff of Bal Bharati Public School, GRH Marg, I heartily welcome you onboard for a meaningful educational journey that will shape the future of your little toddler and impact your lives as well.

A school is the first structured institution that a child steps into from the protective confines of his/her home. It is said that 'decisions determine destiny' and we feel pleased that you have chosen to entrust your precious ward to our loving care. Fostering lifelong bonds with our learners in the safe and supportive environs of the school, it's our constant endeavour to provide them modern, aesthetically designed, positively oriented inclusive learning spaces that are intellectually stimulating as well cater to the holistic development of each individual child. You will be glad to know that the school that you have chosen for your ward is an epitome of educational excellence. It is a more than 75-year-old legacy that has continued to innovate, evolve, and progress with changing paradigms in the field of education.

The school was set up in 1944, under the aegis of the Child Education Society (Regd.) with the vision to perpetuate the rich cultural ethos of the Nation amongst its youth, as well as to imbue them with the right morals and values, and to engage and educate them, such that they become future-

ready, empowered citizens of the global society. The fruition of these efforts can be garnered from the brilliant noteworthy laurels and recognitions that the school, staff, and the students continue to be decorated with in academics, sports, and co-curricular activities, year after year. In the school ranking surveys conducted by prestigious institutions, the school is consistently being placed among the topmost schools pan India. To name a few, the school has been accorded the first position in Central Delhi consecutively for two years in the Times School Survey. In the Education World Grand Jury Awards, the school was ranked at the 6th position in Multi-culture Sports category, 4th position in Innovative Leadership, and 10th place in Library and Reading Culture - at the All India Level, during different years. Also, based on the high scores of Student Satisfaction Index, the school has been the proud recipient of the Great Place to Study Certification, which is a rare international honour. In the recently held Mathematics skill based global competition, Clash Of PI, owing to the excellent performance of students from class III to XII, the school won the first position in Asia, and was commended "...for being at the forefront of innovation in education technology and for embracing the latest methodologies to deliver lasting and impactful learning outcomes."

We attribute the stellar success of the school and the fulfilment of the individual aspirations of our learners to the remarkable collaboration amongst all the stakeholders – the ever-supportive Management, the brilliant and assiduous staff members, the diligent students, and the relentless and forthcoming support of the parent body.

The foundations of the child's learning are laid in their formative years, in the Montessori classes, and we believe that children should associate an overall feeling of happiness with their learning experiences. We promote individualized, fun-based experiential learning; and use the Montessori system of learning as well as theme based (rather than traditional subject based) learning. Each Montessori classroom comprises Learning Centres to hone the numeracy, oratorical, creative, and scientific skills of the young learners based on the pedagogy of imparting knowledge, skills, attitudes, and values.

Even during the academic session 2020-21, owing to the prior exposure to techno-pedagogy, we seamlessly shifted to the online mode of education and continued to engage our children of the Montessori to class XII, in thoughtfully conceived and carefully planned capacity building programmes, using varied platforms, such as G Suite, Microsoft Teams, CRISP, WhatsApp, etc.

For the Montessori classes, through a rich repository of online and self-created resource material - enriching story-telling sessions, vocabulary development activities, creative art and craftwork, performing arts, yoga, and simple scientific experiments, as well as virtual excursions were organized. The learners were also encouraged and guided to participate in virtual interschool competitions – wherein they excelled and won numerous laurels. In addition, Morning Assembly programmes, Fancy dress competitions, and Cultural Fiesta etc. were also held. Thus, due to the Pandemic, even though the school building was shut, we did not compromise with our commitment to facilitate holistic learning experiences for our precious and impressionable students of the Montessori classes.

Even as we usher yet another academic session amidst the threat of Covid-19, we continue to be hopeful that we shall soon be able to welcome our learners in the school premises. Until then, building upon our experiences of the previous academic session, we shall continue to engage our junior-most class of 2021-22 in a rich mosaic of fun-based, meaningful, and

relevant learning experiences. We are confident that with your support, together, we shall be successful in helping our little learners to embark upon their unique and momentous educational journey of self-discovery and lifelong learning. For any suggestion, concern, or query, I shall always be available. Kindly email to me at: bbpsgrh@balbharati.org

To conclude, I would like to share the poignant message contained in these lines by the renowned poet, Khalil Gibran

"Your children are not your children.

They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself...

You may give them your love but not your thoughts,

For they have their own thoughts.

You may house their bodies but not their souls,

For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow..."

Best wishes always,

Laksh Vir Sehgal

Principal