



The Great éclat of Online Success

Courage doesn't always roar, sometimes it's a quiet voice of a mentor, guide or an educator at the end, that says that you can do it. These are the words that encompass in them the brilliance of success Ivy World School has achieved through online teaching classes in these changed times. Our motto, Pathways to learn took on a beautiful hue as the educators came together to learn, understand and put forth innovation into the teaching learning process to help carry on our work as frontline workers facing the herculean task of continuing schooling despite the closure of schools. The reason we are successful is that we believe and showed it through action that schooling has not closed, only the buildings are.

When the doors of the buildings were shut due to nature's fury, the gateways of technology were opened to the pupils to learn and persevere. Our school launched a comprehensive E learning programme customized for each category of class. Educators sat down to create clear ways and means to help the students continue learning and the parents to be a part of it as well. Capsules of E learning were devised according to the age group, specific needs, parental support available and a common commitment towards imparting education. The younger students were put in class broadcast groups through the web to establish contact, send lessons, share experiments, customized audios, power point presentations and practical exercises to understand concepts. Educators are made available and at hand online to walk the students through such lessons which are organized according to a specific time table which includes waking up time, morning prayer, some exercise to freshen up, daily routine and being ready for academics. All this happens with continuous contact of educators with the students online.

The secondary level students have been divided into class groups and subject choices and given lessons through the medium of WhatsApp groups where educators post audios recorded for the lesson of the day, videos with explanation

and examples to let the student think beyond boundaries and books, power point presentations to highlight the major points using soft copies of the textbooks prescribed for their classes. This helps establish the all important connection between the syllabus, innovation and understanding of the concept. Lessons are planned meticulously keeping in mind the time for the class with consideration for concept clarity and solving of a problem to check the logical understanding of the topic by the student. Therefore every class has the introduction of the topic, highlighting the objective of learning, a practical to guide the mind towards the logic of the lesson, concept introduction, similar situation examples to relate to the concept and a problem to solve using the learning induced through the lesson. The student is encouraged to ask, share input and understand the topic from every angle. Sometimes innovative games are used to prod the active minds to connect learning to practice. This also helps generate feedback about the class taught and the level of understanding. The total concentration to task at hand in these classes where the students watch or listen to the posted aid, enhances the curiosity of the learner and they ask questions where they seem to require clarity, making the classes successful and alive.

Sometimes the educators ask the classes to prepare independently from material made available earlier and have a class discussion regarding the topic, asking students to share their understanding of the topic. For these comprehension texts, mind maps, practical experiments through given instructions are used and their conclusions are invited to be shared as inferences.

In these challenging times, the school, students and educators have stood up to the challenge of making learning available to the learner despite the building being closed. Technology has helped us keep our hearts and minds open to using innovation in the teaching learning process, the hallmark of our institution showing the great éclat of online teaching.



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