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*“The students of the future will demand the learning support that is appropriate for their situation or context. Nothing more, nothing less. And they need it at the time when need arises. Not sooner, not later. Mobile devices will be a key technology in providing that learning support.”*

*-Dr Marcus Specht, Professor of Advance Learning Technologies,  
Open University of Netherlands.*

## **REPORT ON THE BEST PRACTICES UNDERTAKEN DURING COVID PANDEMIC**

The COVID Pandemic brought in a myriad of unexpected challenges and changes in the professional and personal lives of the administrators as well as the teachers. The thoughts of Principal and teachers in the Vidyalaya were transformed into searching the best for the students and the best ways to reach out to them. The teachers received a blow to the concept “what is school without children!”

### **Special efforts made for Online Teaching**

- The online classes were introduced to the children through recorded Videos by the subject teachers send through WhatsApp, YouTube links, Audio recordings. Later Zoom App, Google Meet, DIKSHA App, Regional Blogs, SWAYAM PRABHA Channel and E-Library added to our resources. The students cooperated at every stage, downloading these Apps and making the best use of it. Joyful learning activities such as crosswords, quizzes and online games were taken up in the beginning to grab the students’ interest. Music classes are made interesting through Instrument Learning Apps and screen recording of how to use these apps. Online library periods saw the children posing with the books they read. They are engaged in online activities on Special days. The library and Sanskrit blogs are being made use of by the students. Work experience period is filled with encouraging activities at home. ‘Best out of waste’ is the new formula for the students. The IT classes are linked to the real-life situations outside. Interesting and educative videos are shared at every juncture. The students are given such activities which they could do with the help of their parents and in their immediate surroundings. Efforts have been made to build up the confidence in students and keep them positive.
- Through online teaching, we have been able to equip the children with new technology, self-learning, and renewed curiosity, new ways of reading and learning and exploring the new arenas in the contents. Moreover the parents have been made active participants in the teaching learning process and have now learnt how to assess their children and enjoy their developments and achievements.

## Practices/Stories of teachers

- As we fell into the concept of Online Teaching, there was the desperate search for New Laptops, New Mobile phones, Teaching Apps, Online meeting Apps, tripods, white boards, solving security issues, Network/connectivity problems, working off and online to present yourself in the best possible manner to the students and to the parents! Those who were reluctant even to make video calls were now seen working with confidence in front of students and their families. We have dedicated ourselves to fight this time of Pandemic with the best in us. We are doing the best we can.

## Efforts for reaching out to children with no devices and practices for continued learning and seeking help of Community

- The slow learners were identified through online tests using Worksheets and Google Forms and Oral tests. They are provided the opportunity to interact with the subject teachers individually and in small groups of 4-5 students. Parents are contacted and motivated to support their wards. PTM is being conducted with the parents of those students who were irregular for the online classes. Those students with poor connectivity are provided Xerox of notes by the subject teachers. The recorded videos of Classes are being shared to all class WhatsApp groups. So that no child is left out.
- Undersigned himself handed over his personal smart phone to one of our needy student who could not afford it. Teachers were seen paying the fees of those students whose lives were challenged during this pandemic. Continuous efforts are being made to incorporate the support of Community and Alumni for reaching out to those students who are still not benefitting from the online mode to the fullest.

The teachers have become learners, we are making ourselves resourceful to be the best facilitators. We have all done admirably well in online teaching without any prior experience or training in the same. We were forcefully changed overnight to online tutors. We all miss the classes that used to jingle with the laughter and mischiefs of our dear students. We are left without those inspiring curious eyes waiting for words of encouragement from us.

Hope this time also pass and we are back to our comfortable platforms along with our students bringing the energy and joy back in our lives as teachers. We all look forward to that bright day. Till that day we will work with zeal and enthusiasm to give our children the best.

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