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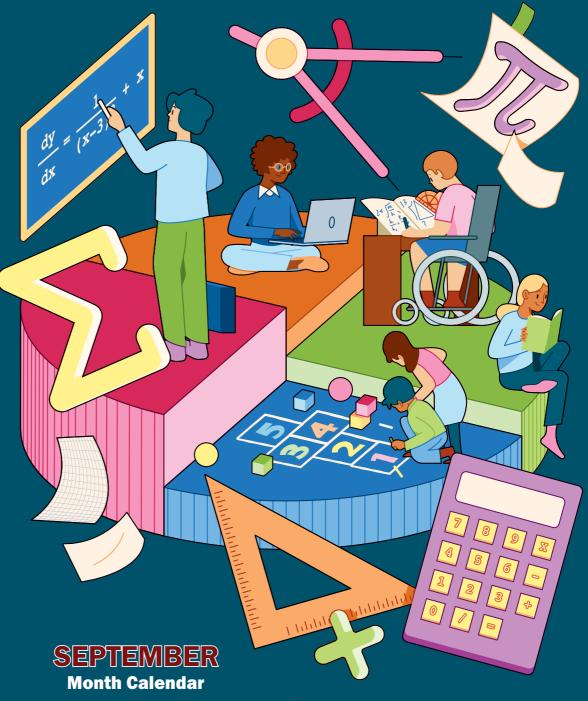
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# Welcome



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#### Greetings of the season to all our readers!

- In my first year as an administrator, I was directly involved in working with students when they messed up and helping them grow through the experience. It was something that I really enjoyed doing because I often got into trouble as a student, and I now could be the person I needed in that office for these kids.
- But it is not only the students we have to consider in this situation, but also their families. I remember distinctly in one situation, I had worked with a student who had really slipped up, and I always called home to communicate with their care givers. I can't even remember the student, the incident, or the parent that day, but I do remember the advice the school's amazing Principal, Mr. Prathip K.Doss, gave me before I walked Into my office to make that first phone call.
- Mr.Doss said to me (paraphrased), "This might seem like a simple phone call to you, but understand that you have the ability to destroy this parent's day because their child is everything to them, as it is with all parents. Make sure they know you care about their child and that they are valued during that call. It will make all the difference."
- That moment stuck with me not only in that initial phone call but in every single call I made home after a negative incident. I made sure that I highlighted what went well, how much I appreciated their child, and that we all make mistakes, including myself and the other adult on the phone.
- This past month, I reconnected with a parent from that school. She had shared with me that she still remembered to this day that although her son had some behaviour issues while in school, my belief in him and positive outlook moving forward actually helped shape how she parented her own child, and she still thinks about it to this day as he is about to finish college. Writing this brings me to tears because there are so many times we have a positive impact not only on our students but also our communities, and we never hear about it. To hear that feedback meant everything.
- But that feedback was not only a reflection of what I did but of what Mr.Doss told me before I walked into my office to make that first phone call. I am not sure I would have been so thoughtful and empathetic if it wasn't for his advice.
- I often hear comments about support staff in schools about how they logistically run the building, but for me, that is only one part of their role. Like so many others who work in our school communities, Mr.Doss has shaped how we work with kids and families every day, and I just wanted to acknowledge how I still think about his words to this day as not only an educator but now, as a dad. I have always said this; "No matter your job in education, your number one role is to serve children, and everything else is secondary." I learned that by working with so many great people in so many different roles in our schools.
- Make sure you take the opportunity to acknowledge the positive moments in your career. Our lives are often a collection of things we learned from our amazing Parents, Students, and Colleagues, who taught me such a valuable lesson that I hold onto to this day.
- We are always interested in hearing your views. We invite articles on the topic 'Teaching Children Through Outdoor Activities' for our next issue of the newsletter. If you have any comments about the newsletter, or if you'd like to tell us about what's happening at school, please email us at principal@jpschennai.org.





Tr. Saravanan Thiyagarajan Principal Jain Public School





Great pleasure to share the happy news. Good word Academy of innovative studies and research has awarded have been to our beloved teachers Mr. Raghu and Mrs. Vijayalakshmi as "inspirational teachers". It's a double honour for our teachers to receive this prestigious award from the hands of our honourable Chennai Mayor Priya Rajan.



We are happy to share the News that Chennai Sahodhaya South Clusters has awarded Ms. Radha Anand as the BEST TEACHER for the year 2022-2023.

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# ' What School Should focus in 2030'

#### Ms.Gayathri,

Parent of J. Kiruthiga sri of Grade IX & J. Nardanesh of Grade V

"What school should focus in 2030?" A crucial subject to talk about. The focus comes from being clear about what we need more and what needs to change. So let's examine the limitations and issues we currently face and determine how to improve or overcome them.

Most schools today operate like factories, producing students who can score high marks, which is creating an unhealthy competitiveness among people and immense pressure on the children. Though there is a maximum mark, parents and children tend to be more concerned with the marks of their peers. Also, it is pathetic that, student's capability in any field of talent is judged solely by their marks.

Peer pressure, on the other hand, is brought on through social media. People today view those who are not active on social media as aliens ("Oh god! This creature is not a part of our fake and uncertain virtual world!"), and they are really being observed that way.

Another issue with the current generation is that social and moral fear are gradually dying out. As parents and teachers insisted, it was prevalent among kids even a decade ago. But now, backbiting & bullying has become a common occurrence, and I see children from reputable schools throwing plastic wraps and juice cartons on the road. This shows kids are unaware of the consequences of their irresponsibility.

Where are we going? What is our destination? Just take a moment to pause, go back in time, and then resume. We may gain a great deal of knowledge from our past. The potential and efforts of our ancestors are still evident in the spectacular temples, great literature works, field of medicine (Siddha & Ayurveda), astrology and many fields. We are talking more about sustainability but they have succeeded in it.

What enabled them to achieve this? Both their occupation and life were always close to nature. Now let's think of us, our present lifestyle and occupation are mostly anti-natural.

The tremendous potential of our ancestors is still concealed in our DNA but without exploring it we are running behind something else. Oxford and Cambridge are keeping us engaged with their language, by introducing new vocabulary and changing the definitions frequently. On the other side, Technology companies are keeping us busy in updating their new version gadgets, games and software.

Even though we are painfully aware of the fact that the majority of the technology that is influencing this generation has negative effects on both us and the environment, we continue to rely on it more and more in our everyday lives. The uncertain Technology is driving us madly. If Google, Facebook, YouTube, WhatsApp and other similar services stop operating for a few days, the entire world may get damned stuck. To what extent do I believe in technology? For added safety, I'm penning down the identical material in my journal while I type it. However, the same technology is helping me for content rephrasing.

Hence, I think that schools in the 2030s should focus on:

- 1. Helping each and every Kid develop a sense of responsibility, morality & compassion.
- 2. Every child is unique. Encourage them to investigate their blind spots and help them develop that skill.
- 3. Knowledge alone will not be enough; they must be educated about the right & wise way to apply it.
- 4. Constructive communication must be taught and promoted.
- 5. They must learn to be aligned with the nature in their early ages.
- 6. Technology will unavoidably be a part of future generations, but it should work in harmony with the natural world.
- 7. Suitable career assistance must be provided. There are lots of options for both employment and selfemployment. If a kid is unable to catch up in one area, they must be encouraged to select alternative options that are appropriate for them.
- 8. Above all, be kind to them. A well-treated child will grow up to be a fantastic person.

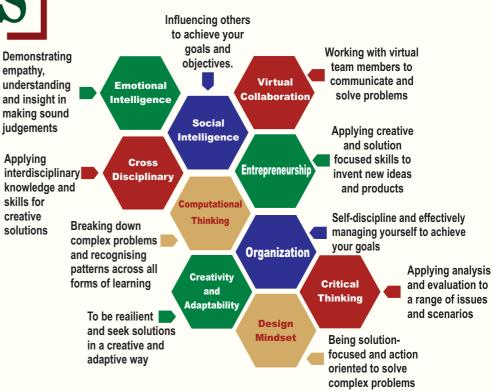
A conventional school will never emphasise advancement, while a high-tech institution will undermine values. Therefore, a blend of tradition and technology must be used in the future of education. I anticipate that the 2030 schools will produce knowledgeable, responsible, and confident students. Note: If you truly want to conserve our blue & green planet and the species known as humans, don't dismiss this as a conservative thought.

# **IN FOCUS**

#### ' What Schools Should focus in 2030'

#### Introduction

The child is father of the man, said Wordsworth, and for generations school were bound to the notion of making the child future ready. Education now point out that it is important to take care of the present and then the future will take care of itself. What should schools zero in on this year to make a positive impact on students?



**Essential Skills 2030** 

#### Shift the paradigm, Please!

Years ago, we realised that emphasis on pedagogy alone does not provide complete education. As a result, co-curricular activities and training programmes became a part of every school planner. But now it is time to make a new emphasis.

- Let the spotlight fall on values
- 1 Certain skills, hither to understand, should receive prominence.
- Parental involvement in school activities can make the school a real second home.

#### VHEM

The recent focus on STEM in education sometimes creates loop-sided individuals out of students. Along with STEM, school should ensure VHEM values, humanitarianism, ethics and morals.

- Let the child realize that truthfulness is an abiding value. Dishonesty is often seen as an escape route out of trouble. Teach him to be true to others as well as to himself. If a teacher can appreciate an honest child who owns up his mistakes, it is a valuable lesson learnt.
- A child develops into good human being through deliberate training of the mind. It is important to reinforce values right from a young age so that a child learns early that he should choose wisely between right and wrong. He will also understand how actions impact the greater good.
- The child can learn valuable lessons in VHEM from the world around. Children can be encouraged to discuss the people they know and the situations they have encountered. Each conversation becomes a lesson for life. Jean plaget's ground breaking work The Psychology of the Child states that the child understands that the concepts learned in one context can be applied to another.
- Community service teaches the child that one needs to be proactive along humanitarian lines and that values should be translated into a practical mode.

#### **Train the Heart**

The objective of education should not be limited to training the mind and the body; training the heart also demands equal emphasis. Contrary to popular belief, it is quite possible to train our emotions and feelings. A child with the right emotional balance will react to people and situations in and appropriate manner.

- The trend now is to do away with competition in a child's life. We avoid declaring prizes, we give gifts to all participants-in short, there is only applause in a child's life. How much do we equip a child to face failure?
- Support the child during unhappiness and failure, but do not take away those moments for they are precious lessons in life skills.
- It is a good strategy to let children verbalise their feeling. This helps them to externalise their feelings and provides them with an emotional vent. It also helps them to review the incident in question from a different point of view.
- It is important to teach them that feelings are temporary and changeable like the weather. This helps them to put their passions in the right perspective.
- Life skills are not always learned on the go. it is not advisable to assume that children will imbibe them automatically. It is essential to consciously provide them with a learning environment conductive to the inculcation of life skills. When students organize school activities let them experience the accompanying anxiety and tension-then the applause at the end will sound all the more sweet!

#### **On Big Happy Family**

The importance of parental involvements in education is now accepted. But the possibilites offered by this approach have not been fully exploited.

- Parental involvement should not be limited to PTA meetings or open house discussions. Encourage parents to participate actively in all aspects of the school. This gives more common ground between parents and children. It improves family relationships and helps them to connect.
- Promote active interaction between parents and teachers. This demystifies the educational process for parents and enables them to contribute to the child's academic training.
- When parents constantly engage with the school in a healthy manner. student discipline improves.
- At home encourage parents to make the child aware of his/her roots. Speak about old times, family traditions, customs and culture. When the child takes pride in family heritage, he/she will always try to live up to those standards.

#### The New Guru

The schools should empower the child with the right skills sets suitable for the new generation.

- Constructive creativity and innovative thinking are of paramount importance now. A child who can think along new lines has a definite edge over others. The framework of education should not be so rigid that the child's innate creativity is lost.
- Children cannot be divorced from social media, but it is extremely important to teach them to sit out the truth from the falsehood that is often projected. These days social intelligence is required not only in the real world, but the cyber world too.

#### **The Spiritual Ethos**

To a child the word spiritual often signifies religion and prayer. The school can help them realise that a healthy ming is the outcomes of practical spirituality. With the divine element active in our mind it is possible to be positive always. A cheerful disposition in the attitude that needs to be cultivated with the help of spirituality. optimism is faith; it is faith that leads to accomplishments.

Education is never a stagnant process. It needs are ever-evolving and school should keep pace with the requirements of changing times. The danger lies in turning a blind eye to the need of the hour. To agree with Jimmy Dean. We can't change the direction of the wind. but we can adjust our sails to reach the destination. **Summary** 

The article details the necessity of educators to think beyond academics. Schools need to change according to the needs of the hour, students need to hone new skills and practice new strategies to be happy in the present. Parental involvement in education can be promoted to new levels so that all stakeholders are satisfied. Values should receive emphasis in education and life skills seen in a new light.





# AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS







Freedom is something you have to fight for. We have fought hard to earn it, So let's celebrate our freedom. Never let it go and always carry it in your heart.



Yadhunanthan 7B TAEKWONDO



Amrithavarshini 7B SHOTPUT



Kushbu 8A BALLTHROW



Abinav Aarya 7B, Rithusai 7B, Elanthamizh 7A, Suriya 7B RELAY







#### JPS Rock's

"If you believe in yourself and have dedication and pride- and never quit, you will be a winner". The price of victory is high but so are the rewards. You were born to win, but to be a winner, you must plan to win, prepare to win, and expect to win.

### Sept 5 **"Teachers Day" "Celebrations"**



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JPS always feels proud and the thankful to all the educators for all their hardwork and efforts "Happy Teachers Day"

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## Onam Celebration@ JPS



The spirit from Kerala travelled on air and bent aromatic with the concentric floral decoration (pookolam) vibrant throughout the campus. Onam Ashamsakal .



The fraternity was tongue-tied with the different varieties of traditional ,delicious kheer.The rich sacrifice of the legendary king Mahabali's in the hearts of children.











































JPS intressed the beautiful coordination between the mothers and their children. The event took place for about an hour, but the taste will last forever.



























The children were explaining the delicate details of the recipes which made the judges awestruck. " Cooking is at once child's play and adult joy. And cooking done with care is an act of love".













To disseminate information on wild life and predicted areas, wild life instic conducted a session on cheetah population in the school campus on 14 th sept 2022. Dr.C. Arul vasu , addressing students of JPS on importance of "Cheetah" during out reach programme given by MOEF & C.C

# "Golu Fest 2022" ACTIVITIES









We witnessed the beautiful coordination between the mothers and their children. The event took place for about an hour, but the taste will last forever.

### STUDENTS' ACTIVITIES









#### What to choose? What to choose?

Sunrise? or Sunset? Town? or City? Swimming? or Running? Badminton? or Tennis? What to choose? What to choose? Confusing IIII What to choose?

Maths? or Science? Summer? or Winter? Dogs? or Cats? Studies? or Sports? What to choose? What to choose? Confusing IIII What to choose?

Train? or Bus? Ship? or Plane? Sarfing? or Riding? Classic? or Morden? What to choose? What to choose? Confusing IIII What to choose?

So. In a winter morning I went to see the sunrise from the cliff of hill in my home town. Practiced Running . Played Tennis .Went to a science exhibition. Adopted a cat. Went to a sports meet. Went horse riding in a beach .I wore a classic gown and Traveled through Train to reach the harbour to come back to my house in Spain.

Amirthavarshini Anand Grade VII





Alarice Caroline Grade VI



Vedhasri Grade IV

### "AKSHARA ABYASAM"





### "Ayudha Pooja Celebration" @ JPS 2022





JPS STANDS TALL IN CELEBRATING THE RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE. OUR JPS GOLU IN THE IS THE WITNESS OF IT. STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ENTHUSIASTICALLY ARRANGED THE STEPS AND DOLLS. EVERY DAY WAS OBSERVED ON A THOUGHT ON GOLU AND FEW DIVINE SONGS WERE SUNG FOLLOWED BY POOJA AND PRASAD WAS DISTRIBUTION.

Ayudha Pooja at the end of Navaratri was celebrated with great enthusiam. Our Beloved Principal honoured all the supporting housekeeping staff and drivers by giving them Tambolam with Prasad.

# "World Fruits day" ACTIVITIES



"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and faithfulness".



# **Social Media Trends**

# You Tube Trends

















