

SANTA MARIA INTEGRATED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

NEWSLETTER FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY-SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Parents,

It's more than a month since school reopened after the summer break and all children are happily settled into their daily routine.

The school has started a collaborative "**Book Reading**" initiative. We are overwhelmed with the response we have received for this activity. We hope that you will continue the enjoyable activity of reading stories with your child.

Eid was celebrated in school, as always, with children helping in the preparation of "Meethi Sewaiyyan". Preps paid a visit to the **Mosque** while Kg's had a wonderful experience at the **Sanskriti Museum**. Santa Maria observed **Shraddhanjali Diwas** on Tuesday 25th July. **Exhibition of summer work by Prep students** was successfully held at school. Children presented work that they had done over the summer holidays with pride and confidence. There was a healthy and enriching interaction between the parents and children. Children are now gearing up for the **Independence Day celebrations** that is going to take place on **Friday the 11th of August**. There are other exciting activities planned in the month of August like the "**Food stall**" and visit to the **Post Office**.

We have a **Mobile library that visits every classroom**. The library stays in a classroom for a whole day and then moves to the next class. During the day children are free to choose books and go through them with friends. They also learn to maintain this library as the books are color coded and have to be kept back accordingly.

Special assemblies help to build confidence in children, as they have to speak in front of an audience. Please check the school's website for some glimpses of the assemblies and updates of activities held in the school.

We have tried to ensure the safety of our children by issuing I-cards to all those who collect or drop children. While we have found that the program is not perfect we are thankful for your continued cooperation and for making this system work. We hope that you remember the points we had mentioned in the circular which was sent in this context. We also want to bring to your notice that the system of I-cards exists **only for the safety of our children**. Therefore it should be seen in that light and perspective. The bus teachers and conductors are now gradually getting familiar with you and other family members, however please continue carrying your I-cards. Please inform the bus teacher about any new person that you would be sending with the I-card to collect your child. We request you to kindly understand and help the teachers in implementing the program.

Please feel free to share your feedback with us.

Warm Regards

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Head