Dear Parents,

We have already started sending out Classroom invites for the new academic year. You will see that your child has been added in a lot of new Classrooms this year. (Eager to know what all those new subjects are? More about that in a different email!)

We have also posted Orientation videos on the subject - wise classrooms, for you to get an idea of how each subject is taught over the course of the year, at Walnut. Sample assignments are being posted on the subject - specific classrooms too, to get you used to posting H.W assignments.

Over the weekend, you will receive the weekly schedule email, through which you will have access to all the academic material that teachers will be referring to over the coming week. Students will be assigned daily H.W assignments for different subjects, which they must solve and submit so that teachers can evaluate them.

This is the offline version of the school, in which students will have access to the printed worksheets + soft copy of the worksheets + blackboard presentations + teacher instructions + e-learning videos + homework and classwork assignments + schedule for the week in advance.

The "Live" teacher experience:

The students will have "live" classes with the teacher through Google Meet. The teacher will go through a 35 minute class with the students (like they do in school).

Classes will be in the mornings from Monday to Friday. There will be short breaks in between classes as well.

Students will have to sit with their textbook, worksheets, writing material etc. in front of the computer and watch the teacher and follow along. (We highly recommend a laptop or a desktop for this!) After the classes for the day are done, students can have a lunch break and then sit and finish the homework and submit it.

Here is your timetable. Make sure you have your textbook, worksheets and writing material with you before class starts. Sit at your desk in a quiet place. Make sure you are fresh and are ready to learn! (Finish your snacks, potty breaks, drinking water etc. before each class starts.)

(A customized timetable will be shared with you, based on the standard your child is studying in.)

Students will have to access this link for the live classes: (A customized link will be shared with you, based on the standard your child is studying in.)

Click on this link 5 minutes before the school day begins and wait for the first class to start! The same link will be used for all subjects, so do stay logged on.

The Reading class mentioned in the timetable will have a separate link, since the students will be split into smaller groups as per their reading levels. (Applicable for KG to Std. 4 only)
Students will have to access this link for the Reading classes: (A customized link will be shared with you, based on the standard your child is studying in.)

All live classes will be recorded and the recordings will be stored in a folder. You will be notified of the Recordings folder link in the coming week!

Remember: You have to be logged in with your Walnut email ID to get access to any Walnut Material — the recordings, worksheets, presentations, classrooms, Walmiki quizzes, Walmiki videos etc. You will NOT be able to access it through your other personal email accounts or your parents' email accounts.

SOME QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE

What happens if you miss a class or cannot log on at the time?

No problem. You can still access the material that is given to you which has all the instructions + after the session is over, you can access the recording of the whole live session. That way, even if you want a repeat of the teaching, you can have it whenever you want!

What if the call disconnects during a class?

This is most likely going to happen! Connections are not always good. Even when we are on the phone, calls drop so many times.

Again, don't worry. It's not a big deal. You can just use the same link and log back on. If you miss anything in the period between being disconnected logging back on, you can always check out the recorded class videos. All is well:)

What if my child prefers the offline method and doesn't really want these 'live' classes?

No problem. You can choose whichever way suits you. Independent and fast learners may prefer studying on their own, using the curricular material. That's absolutely fine. You may choose a mixture of methods to study too. For example, a student who has a good aptitude for mathematics may not need live teaching for that subject but may want it for Marathi. You can choose whatever combinations work for you. Just make sure that your parents know if you are

opting out of a live class and are okay with it. And – you must be responsible and do your assignments properly and submit them in time.