



NOTICE

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Dear Parents,

The Covid-19 outbreak across the world has drastically impacted all our lives. The outbreak of this pandemic has forced us to radically change our way of life, and social distancing is one of the few ways to battle this deadly pandemic. Although schools across India and the world at large have been forced to close down for the time being, our teachers have stepped up to ensure that students receive their education.

In order to deal with this unprecedented crisis, the School has taken a number of steps –

- Online classes for students started as per the academic calendar (2020-21) using virtual means.
- We have launched a dedicated School App and are using it to conduct classes.
- E-books have been made available to parents via the School App and we are trying very hard to make more content available until physical books can be distributed.
- Teachers have been working very hard to ensure that maximum learning can occur during this period and that no child is left behind.

While we are aware of the financial difficulties that our parents may face due to this outbreak, we would like to elaborate on our financial position as well. The School has to pay full salaries to all teaching, non-teaching staff during the ensuing lockdown. Catering staff, Security staff, Cleaning staff, Admin staff, Maintenance staff and various outsourced activities also need to be paid in full. AMC's which are of a fixed nature, Statutory Obligations, ESI, PF, Gratuity, Insurance, and a plethora of charges need to be paid in full during this period. IVWS being a private, unaided institution, is completely dependent on the fees paid by the guardians to meet the expenses enumerated above.

Further with regard to the Bus Service. While the busses are not being used currently, Salaries for the drivers, male & female helpers, staff, mechanics, cleaners, and managers in the bus department need to be paid in full. Taxes, Insurance, ESI, PF, Interest, and rentals also continue unabated.

However, keeping the global crisis at the forefront, we have taken the following decision:

- The increase in the consolidated tuition fees for the year 2020-21 will be kept in abeyance till further notice. The fee structure for the year 2019-20 will be applicable at present. Revised fee bills are being uploaded online and a text message will be sent out once that has been completed. Parents who have made excess payments will have the same adjusted/refunded in the next quarter.
- Bus fees will be reduced by 30% for the Quarter April to June 2020. Revised fee bills are being uploaded online and a text message will be sent out once that has been completed. Parents who have made excess payments will have the same adjusted/refunded in the next quarter.



- The last date for fees payment of the first quarter has been extended from 15th April to 15th May without any late fees.
- In view of social distancing norms and the current lockdown, parents are requested to pay fees online through the School website (www.ivws.org) by clicking on the “Online Fee Payment” link and following the steps. The respective Student ID will only be needed to make the payment.

During such a time we have a greater responsibility towards our parents and students. However, we must also be responsible towards our teaching and non-teaching staff and the health of the Institution itself.

Our campus doors may be closed, but the School is truly open, and only together can we overcome this unprecedented crisis.

With our best wishes

School Management