

ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL, DORANDA, RANCHI

INVITATION TO WRITE FOR THE NEW ISSUE OF ECHO 2020-21

The world shook due to the newly declared pandemic Corona Virus Disease 2019. The only alternative to flatten the rising curve of infection was by isolation and social distance resorting to which India declared a complete lockdown. The education sector was affected by a sudden closure of schools which made the academic curriculum difficult to carry on. Life has to go on even with threats and difficulties around, as a journey to achieve happiness as its ultimate goal. The process of teaching and learning has to continue even if the world is exposed to the perils of the newly found fatal virus. As John Dewey has said *“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.”* Educational front is always ready to face the challenge which requires changes in order to make learning continued and adaptive with positivity. The transition from the chalk-and-talk to tech, the shift of blackboard to the digital boards were few of these developments which made the teachers and the students adapt to the sudden closure of schools. Carl Rogers has rightly remarked - *“The only person who is educated is the one who has learned how to learn....and change.”*

We are happy to announce that our school has tried well to adapt to the new mode of learning and is continuing well with the journey together in this tough time. The tremors of the shock are still there but the silver lining of hope and positivity also pervade in our life. **To celebrate this togetherness in isolation, St. Xavier's School, Doranda has planned to publish the new issue of ECHO 2020-21, a quarterly magazine on the theme *Bliss of Solitude.***

Here are some suggested topics that you may take to write your own articles. You may also have your own topics for your articles if you want.

1. Moving from blackboard to white screen
2. A shift in the mode of education
3. Togetherness in isolation
4. Immunity boosting tricks
5. New modes of living in Lockdown
6. Teaching and learning from home
7. From chalk and talk learning to tech
8. Flux in lifestyle
9. E-commerce
10. Friendship
11. Nature reclaiming the past
12. Quality time with the family
13. Physical and mental health
14. Challenging lifestyles
15. Quarantine and its pricks

16. Greeting and meeting
17. Fears pervading our lives

18. Migrant Labours and daily wage earners
19. Economy and its crisis

We invite your creative write-ups, art-pieces, prose pieces, poetry, one-act plays, newly tried recipes with attractive photographs, reflections, reveries and thoughts reflecting on the difficult times and the positivity that have made the light still burning in us. Send your entries to us on something that has given birth to a sapling of optimism in you, **latest by 25th of March 2020.**

Guidelines for Submission of Articles for ECHO 2020-21

1. The articles written in **English** have to be typed in **Microsoft Word Document**.
2. Kindly use **Times New Roman** FONT with font size 12.
3. The articles written in Hindi should be typed in **Microsoft Word Document** with **Walkman Chanakya** FONT with FONT size 14.
4. If your **Hindi** articles are not typed, please click a clear photo of your articles and send them in the email ID given below.
5. All articles are to be sent to this email ID - frfuldeo@stxaviersschool.com in the JPEG or PDF format.
6. Please mention your **name, class and section** clearly on the **left-hand side** on the of the page.
7. Your work must be **original** and **NOT copied** from some other sources.
8. Attractive pictures on the theme **BLISS OF SOLITUDE** can be submitted through the mail. Kindly give a catchy title to your articles, drawing, photographs and piece of arts.
9. The **last date** for the submission of articles for **ECHO 2020-21** is **25 March 2021**.

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