

Teachers and Technology: Pillars of our Community

From physically meeting and interacting with peers, to the immediate shift to e-learning, children have stepped into a world of uncertainty. During the course of the pandemic, schools have learnt to use new technological tools to create and develop opportunities for students.

It is incumbent for teachers and families to help children navigate through this uncertainty where 'maintaining a distance' is the only solution. Creating a space where students feel connected and comfortable is imperative and crucial. They might be physically distant but teachers have worked hard to ensure that they are not socially distant. In order to inculcate the purpose of education, we need inculcate the spirit of communication, and pay attention to doubts, worries and questions from students and parents. This is key to creating well-rounded global citizens.

Teachers have learnt to develop a sense of connectivity between the students in a classroom and the ones online, they have seen friendships progress and confidence levels improve.

Although teachers cannot solve every problem, through this pandemic teachers have created exciting learning spaces, encouraged unique interests, uplifted talent and seen progress in the personal, social and educational lives of students.

As teachers have stepped up and taken on the challenges of virtual education head-on, schools have also worked tirelessly to realign to a new mode of education by providing resources, support and training to students, teachers and parents. Educational digital platforms, IT teams and remote learning resources gave schools, students and teachers the transitioning tools they required to get learning on track. Schools continue to focus on the future of education, while also creating safe, conducive conditions and educational learning experiences that help teachers and students interact, connect and succeed.

Innovation in technology must be encouraged and alternative paths should continue to be used, to make learning exhilarating. The experience has surely taught us that what one finds in the dark can never be found in the light.