

September 5, 2009

Dear Parent,

We are happy to inform you that after much deliberation and research, the school decided to adopt a new method of assessment for Classes VI, VII and VIII with immediate effect. Henceforth, these classes will have continuous assessment for all the three cycles. *We shall send the reports in September, December and March.* For each subject we have identified a set of specific skills and certain common requirements. The students will be given grades for each of these skills and requirements. The teachers will arrive at these grades through a variety of assessment techniques using various types of written assignment every term. We expect that this will help us recognize the various strengths and weaknesses of the child in a detailed manner and it will also encourage more creativity and initiative on the part of the student to be an independent learner. *This will also eliminate excessive comparison and competition. The stress on the students will be far less, though the academic rigour and regularity will be greater.*

We invite you to visit the web-link (<http://www.scindia.edu/announcements/announcements.php>) to look up the details of the skills, explanation of the grades and proposed assessment techniques.

We take this opportunity to inform you that we have planned a set of serious consequences to curb the tendencies of students to be late to class and with submission of work and for absenteeism. We request you to support our stand in your communication to your ward.

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These classes will have an annual examination at the end of the year.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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JAYANT TENG SHE
VICE PRINCIPAL

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SAMIK GHOSH
PRINCIPAL