

## **Report- Wellness Webinar Series-5.0**

Delhi Public School, Sector-45, Gurgaon organized the fifth edition of the Wellness Webinar Series, 'Let's Talk' on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Ideated by Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra, the webinar witnessed educators from around the globe, offering a multidimensional perspective to questions related to teaching and learning in the new normal. They felt that while learning must go on during the pandemic, a paradigm shift is crucial to have a meaningful remote learning experience.

The panel of international educators constituted of Mr. Reno Schwedl from Germany, Ms. Keri Benta from France, Ms. Anna Krzeminska from Poland and Ms. Sapna Dhawan, Dean Student Welfare, from DPS Gurgaon. While moderating the session, Ms. Aditi Misra asked the panelists' views on how the lockdown has impacted the relationship between children and parents, the reaction of all the stakeholders of the school community towards E-learning, the shift in the methods of assessment around the globe, consequences of uncertainty in relation to the future of high school children, and adjustments made by the teaching fraternity to reduce their anxiety levels, thus setting a platform for a meaningful discussion.

Mr. Reno emphasized on the concept of personal space for strengthening the family bond. He further stated that shifting to digital space was a challenge, so testing the students was kept minimum. Curriculum, on the other hand, was eased, but the only concern was to establish how much learning had taken place. On the other hand, Ms. Keri from France opined that the change was effortless, as her school had already been holding online classes for senior students. The teachers became inventive in their task by incorporating various tools like podcasts, videos and power point presentation to make virtual learning enjoyable.

Ms. Anna spoke about how collaborating with other teachers on a global platform helped in exchanging ideas and content. She called student webinars a kind of a storytelling platform to communicate effectively. Ms. Sapna Dhawan said that DPS Gurgaon was well prepared for shifting teaching from the physical classroom to the digital one. Initially, there were challenges in the form of availability of devices in families which was taken care of in due course of time. She shared that the school had conducted online assessments, which were optional for the students. She also said that even the special needs learners were provided support in the form of extra classes to cope with the new normal.

Answering the question about the problems that will be faced when schools will resume working, all panelists echoed concerns regarding safety and security, integrating and assessing digital learning and the challenge to put the learners back into the routine of a physical classroom.

In this world, when change is the only constant, the teacher and the taught are looking forward to the blended model of learning, engaging and evolving.



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