

## **Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan Senior Secondary School, K K N, Chennai - 78**

### **Swagatham !! Std XI**

A virtual welcoming session to induct the students into Class XI took place on 24th July '20. The students were given an insight into the new technology-driven approach to learning that is in practice this academic year.

Invoking the blessings of the Almighty was a recorded version of our regular school prayer, which set the perfect ambience of closeness to the school premises.

Our Dean and Director, Mrs. Sheela Rajendra, extended an ever so warm welcome to the students while also indicating the need for them to embrace and accept the unique experience of the remote classroom scenario. While she was confident about the students' tech savviness and adeptness, she expressed the need for the students to imbibe a systematic and disciplined self-study approach for a seamless transition into this online e-based learning. She also hinted that the teachers can only facilitate learning for the pupils considering shorter screen time schedules and lack of face to face personal interactions. She wanted them to take advantage of the e-learning to make it the most constructive, effective and meaningful method.

Mrs. Indira Vaidhyanathan, Senior Mentor, appreciated the students for the wonderful performance in their 10th standard board exams and prompted them to stay focused on achieving better results in two years.

Our principal, Mrs. Geetha Govindarajan, insisted on how crucial the concepts that they learn in their 11th standard will be for all the competitive exams they may face going forward and therefore encouraged them to achieve in-depth learning with all the facilities available, but in a stress free relaxed manner.

Mrs. Malathy Santhanam, Senior Vice Principal, asked the students to count their blessings and feel grateful to this virtual mode enables them to interact with teachers and friends. She also insisted that the students be accountable for the discipline it takes to recreate the class room environment.

The students got an opportunity to express their excitement as well and most of them registered their longing to hear the magical words "Sri Gurubhyo Namaha" and how this one session satiated this need. While some of them miss dragging themselves around the corridors and feeling 'at-home' with the touch and smell of their wooden benches, they are quite focused on rising to the situation and making the most of the infinite opportunities ahead of them. That they are looking forward to two exciting and enriching years of Junior College at PSBB was evident from their gleaming and expectant looks.

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