# VISHWASHANTI GURUKUL WORLD SCHOOL



# Minutes of the 1st PTA Meeting held on 14th December, 2024 (AY 2024-25)

Venue:

Hotel Sheraton, Vimannagar, Pune

Date

Saturday, 14th December, 2024

Time

10.30 am to 12.00

Agenda:

Introduction of New PTA Members. Information about the school policies Points from the parents.

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- Overview of School Policies
- Discussion on school services
- Consent from PTA members to share their email addresses with other grade parents to facilitate communication and collection of suggestions.
- Discussion of the school's growth plan.
- Discussion of the students' growth at Vishwashanti Gurukul
- Discussion of the annual school fees for academic year 2025-26

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Additional points of discussion as shared by PTA members.

### Attendance (Staff)

Mr. Venu Gopal, Principal & Head of the School

Mr. Arpit Sharma, Vice Principal

Ms. Jaya Shahi, DP Coordinator

Ms. Shrishty Sehgal, MYP Coordinator

Ms. Priya D'Souza, LMS Coordinator

Ms. Dimpal Juneja, PYP Coordinator

Mr. Udayan Verma, CAO

Mr. Brijendra Bhargav, Bursar

Mr. Sandeep Vishwakarma, Admin Manager

Mr. Amey Gokhale, Account Manager

### Attendance (Parents)

Ms. Tanushka S Sarmalkar

Ms. Tripti Pandey

Ms. Swapnila Kawale

Mr. Milind Kawale

Mr. Gaurav Wadekar

Mr. Manojit Banerjee

Mr. Mukesh Jhedev

Ms. Rikmi Madhukallya

Mr. Rahul Sharma

Mr. Ashish Khandelwal

Ms. Antima Khandelwal

Points shared during the PTA meeting are as under :-

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1.	Principal welcomed all the PTA as well as the staff members, present at the meeting.							
2.	Principal introduced the staff members' alongwith their designation and job profile. A total of 11 parents were attended the meeting. Conveyed thanks to the parents community for their immense support provided to run the school smoothly.							
3	MIT is planning to setup 5 more IB schools across India by 2025. Further details regarding its location, classes etc will be communicated accordingly. The vision of MIT is 'Let the parents and kids happy and live in a healthy environment'.							
4.	1st term went well with full of joy and now we need to prepare our students for the 2nd term. No major problems / issues noticed during the 1st term.							
5	We are planning to conduct our Alumni meet on the campus soon. Large number of our alumni's are either working or settled across the world and are given their consent for the same. Our exfaculties such as Mr. Rohit Jain (Canada) and Ms. Evelynn Sheen Singh (Netherlands) are coordinating with our Alumni's for the same.							
6.	Planning to invite our parents to the campus and also to make their stay arrangements to enable them to see the academic and boarding environment. Also, in order to have proper boarding function we want to bring the boarding students under independent House Masters, House Mistresses and Wardens and are strictly advised to discharge their duties properly, incompetent team, if any will be removed immediately. Admin and Supporting teams are adequately trained to provide necessary support to the teaching and students in the school.							
7	Mr. Arpit Sharma, Vice Principal briefed about the importance, role and responsibilities of the PTA members, to run the school smoothly. Their support & guidance will always be taken care of. He has made a presentation regarding the scholarship policies as under :-  (a) Academic (b) Sports (c) Art							
8	Instead of giving different scholarships, should be given in two categories ie Academics & Sports.							
9	Vice Principal briefed about the existing fee policies and policy for the upcoming years. Fee hike is inevitable and it has been increased with the current market value.							
10	One of the parents told that the fee hike should be done in every alternate years instead of yearly one - Not accepted due to the market value.							

11	Mr. Namit Khandelwal asked why not the school combine day students pick up. It is not possible as we need to meet the school timing and parent's convenience.						
12	Why the school is not using Electronic as well as CNG vehicles in place of diesel / petrol vehicles, to enable to cut the fuel cost.						
13	Parents appreciated the school colander prepared for the AY 23-24 as it is very easy to understand, the month wise programme. Principal said the credit goes to the CAO, Mr. Udayan Verma as it is his creation.						
14	All the staff members are well trained and had also taken an undertaking from them on <b>NO touch policy</b> . Strict disciplinary action will be taken against the person(s) violating the instructions, in accordance with the law.						
15	Marathon was planned but could not be conducted it due to low participants. Planning to conduct the same in near future with proper advertisement and large number of participants.						
16	School will raise some funds for social purposes, specially to educate the poor and very needy people. Parents appreciated this initiative.						
17	Parents also appreciated the initiative taken 'Bharat Ko Jane' as it was a nice decision.						
18	Instead of sending students for the International trips school should send them for domestic trips to educate them about the Indian ethics, value and culture, preferably to the historical places (in MP, Eastern states etc The point noted and will be given focus on domestic trips. Vice Principal said that the International trips are planned based as CAS requirement, part of their IB curriculam.						
19	Old Age Home visit by students. Students were donated clothes, medicines, eating materials. Parents appreciated this initiative, by the school.						
20	School has contacted ISRO to deliver lecture to our students, the process is in pipeline. ISRO is also setting up meeting with our students where they can directly interact with the scientists. They will also conduct workshops for our kids and will award certificates in accordance with the student's performance. Parents appreciated the initiative and promised to extend their maximum support for the same.						
21	All the three excursions to Ladakh, Kerala & Paris – Switzerland went well, no major issues noticed. School appreciated the parents, students and the staff members who immensely supported to make this mega events a grant success. Parents are also happy with this excursions						
22	Mr. Arpit Sharma shared the experience in which the trip bus driver taught our students to keep the buses neat and clean.						



23	Classes missed out during the excursions will be compensated							
24	Reason for the extension of International trip to Paris – Switzerland from September to October end was due to delay in getting the Schengen visas and high cost of flights booking.							
25	We are strictly focusing on the professional fitness of the staff members. Planning to reduce summer breaks, to enable them to attend profession development. Otherwise all the staff members are very capable and trained. Apart from that an in house training for the teachers on every Friday will be conducted. Principal told that the school will not keep any teachers who are incompetent to teach.							
26	Colour code for the students.							
27	Statistical analysis is being done to ascertain the reasons for leaving students from the school.							
28	Parents asked to start collaborated data for PYP & MYP too. Brain is muscle which can develop to any extend, extra focus on weak students' needs to be given,							
29	To ascertain the efficacy of teachers students are given with feedback form.							
30	The students should not rate teachers collectively, it should be online and protected.							
31	Some parents pointed out that the teachers are leaving in the middle of academic year which is not a healthy sign and students should not suffer for it. Especially the teachers who teach Grades 10 & 12 should not leave at any cost. Point noted for strict compliance.							
32	Individual Students Development Plan format has been issued to MYP & DP students. Parent asked whether it can also be applicable for PYPians. Ms. Dimpal, PYP Coordinator replied that it cannot be done due to the PYP curriculum. Ans. Yes, it is implemented.							
33	Parents appreciated the IDP plan. However, the teachers/mentors should brief the weakness of the students and it should be endorsed in the report card. Mr. Arpit Sharma replied that it cannot be reflected in the report cards as it goes to the University and sometime it may affect the student's admission process.							
34	Evening prep for all the classes has started							
35	Sports achievements :-							



36	Parents shown their happiness over the sports method being used during rainy season.						
37	CAS initiative, street play, old age home visit by the students are appreciated.						
38	Value education calendar to be issued timely.						
39	Parents appreciated the students feedback system, being sent on every Friday.						
40	One of the PYP parents said that instead of the single HRT, multiple teachers should take care of their subjects.						
41	Day students pick up and drop should be done on similar time, should not wait for anyone who has not reported at his/her pick point.						
42	It has been noticed that the students are using their parent's email IDs for granting leave, early exist etc. Parents are advised to instruct their wards to refrain from such activities.						
43	Fee policies for the Day Scholar & Residential for the AY 2024-25 has been circulated to the parent's community. Discussion of the fee policy for the upcoming Academic Year (2025-26) has been done.						
44	Inspite of giving enough time and advance notifications parents are not paying their wards fees on time. We have been facing with regards to delayed payments of school fees. VGWS is a private unaided educational institution and operate with the support of the students' fees only, hence timely payment of fees is crucial for the successful operations management.						
46.	Parents pointed out that the students are not getting food as promised to them at the time of their admission. Junk food is being served, should serve food which is having rich nutrients and protein contents. Also the quantity of midday snacks served to the students should not be restricted, let them have enough food. Point noted, food committee will be constituted to resolve the issues at the earliest.						
47	Travel timing of day students should be monitored and make sure that the students are reaching their homes on time, and to leave the students those who are not reported on time. Point noted Mr. Sandeep Vishwakarma, Admin Manager will personally make sure that the transportation policies are being strictly adhered.						

PTA meeting ended with the consents of all at 2 pm.

Mr. Venu Gopal Principal & Head of the School

<u>Distr :-</u> <u>All concerned</u>





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