

Senior Secondary School, Affiliated to CBSE, New Delhi APS Avenue, Gadilam By-Pass Road, Thirupathiripuliyur, Cuddalore, TN, India



During Lockdown in COVID-19 Pandemic for Academic Year: 2021-2022

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#### **Dear Parents,**

Greeting from APS for Mid Term-1 Examination & Hope you all are safe at Home!!!

To face the challenges of 21<sup>st</sup> century, education should be competency based and we must create conducive environment for development of competencies among the students. Competency based Learning focuses on the student's demonstration of desired learning outcomes as central to the learning process. Learning outcomes are statements of what a learner is expected to know, understand and /or be able to demonstrate after completion of process learning and abilities that are expected, students will gain as a result of learning the activity. It is important that our students are able to think scientifically, mathematically or artistically to face the real-life challenges in an information and technology driven world and enhance their inherent potential.

All students have the anxiety and desire to do well in common exams. "Students must bear in mind that the boards are just another exam and a lot easier than home exams too. Getting good grades is not rocket science. There are simple things you can do daily like following a regular schedule, solving full length sample paper each day in order to get the habit of sitting, writing & doing time management. This will help and gear them to know if they need to concentrate on speed or accuracy. There is ample time for you to revise and to be prepared. Eating healthy, drinking lot of liquid, sleeping properly and exercising daily must be a part of your routine. Relax, paint, draw, listen to music or engage in hobbies. Do not let the exam pressure get the better of you. Believe you are a winner and go out and do your best."

Parents and kids need to work together in life and not to loggerheads with each other. Trust your child to do well and build their confidence. They need support and encouragement from you. Give it to them as regular capsules. "Children on their part must work in all sincerity and must take up the habit of writing. Key concepts and main points must be written down chapter-wise, topic-wise and subject-wise while you revise and prepare. Do not be obsessed with just books and cut yourself off from relaxation. Use it judiciously and conservatively." A bit of anxiety is good. It keeps you on toes, which must be used as a stepping-stone to success. Prepare with free mind. For a student, understanding alone is not sufficient. Understanding also needs to be recalled at the right time- the time of examination. For this to happen, long-term learning is the only way to forward in life.

Exams whether of school Mid Term-1 Examination and Term-1 End Examinations, or of any competitive Examinations have grown into heavy pressure-giving event, which makes students, go through a lot of stress and anxiety. This can cause major mental health issues if allowed to develop. The fear of these exams casts dire consequences on students. The time, which the students could have used in having a focused preparation, goes wasted in worrying for the exams. Hence, the solution to this problem lies in systematic planning followed by actually making the plan work by following it. Kindly make them relax during the examinations and understand the following points to overcome from exam stress and anxiety and to achieve centum in Future Board and Competitive Examinations as per the following schedule.

\***Plan an early revision:** *By now, students might have completed their curriculum and started revision. Practice, practice and do more practice by solving as much as questions and problems related to your subjects.* 

\*Plan a productive timetable: To start for a result-oriented preparation, formulation of a productive timetable is extremely necessary. Hence, the subjects that the students consider less prepared would rule their timetable. The students give more time to these disciplines. Draw plan for each day and each week. During their daily study, things like inclusion of breaks and their duration, addressing their other important jobs etc., will need students regulate them on daily basis. Hence, students must prepare themselves to deal with these each day. Also, students may try sticking to a schedule of fixing a few days or a week for each of their subjects. The approach will likely help them to complete their preparation in a timely manner.



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\*Consider incorporation of more subjects into daily studies: *Preparing for a single* 

subject for hours and hours may get quite monotonous for students. Hence, they can consider extending their devotion to a few more subjects in a single day.

\* **Prepare Notes:** Preparing notes while studying will help the students immensely. These would provide them the facility of getting support as and when they desire. Try to make notes of important facts, formulae, unit conversions in the form of table, flowcharts, etc. Moreover, you can also use a highlighting pen for attracting their attention to words/phrases or (parts of) sentences they need to prepare, more quickly.

\*Schedule regular breaks, have a balanced meal and sleep well: The students must consider the size, number and the ways to spend their breaks, when giving breaks to their preparation. They can fully avail this liberty here! They must only be mindful of the fact that they need to maintain a good balance between their breaks and study session. The duration of the sleep may depend upon the requirements from student to student. Still, a 7-hour slumber would be an ideal one. Students must take a healthy meal filled with all the necessary five nutrients-protein, carbohydrates, fats, minerals and vitamins. Students must not compromise with the outcomes of their efforts on preparation, come what may! So, keep the stress aside, and get down to work!

Thank you very much for your continue support for conducting online classes in this **COVID-19 Pandemic**. Our Teachers and students have to be remain at home to prevent its spread in the community. It's great support from you for engaging our own children in learning with the help of multiple alternative way of learning at home through interesting activities. It is necessary because in the present environment of stress we have to not only keep our children busy but also to maintain continuity of *Learning* and *Assessment* in the present grade in the running academic year. Kindly prepare your son/daughter for the upcoming Examinations in the academic Year-2021-22 by providing best atmosphere at home to make them strong in all the subjects as per Examination Guidelines of the CBSE Board, New Delhi and develop Skills- Knowledge, Understanding, Application Skills, Higher Order Thinking Skills, Analysing Skill, Creative Skill. Please prepare your ward for the Board Examinations conducted by the CBSE, New as per the new guidelines of Scheme of Studies and according to the following schedule. Kindly make sure that your ward is studying independently minimum 3 to 4 hours at home and preparing for the examination as per the syllabus given to your ward by the teachers. Speaking Skill (Extempore, Speech, Poem Recitation, and Story Telling etc.), Listening Skill, Reading Habit Skill, Commentary, Creative Writing and Elocution test for English and 2<sup>nd</sup> Languages and Practical & Activity based Life Skills project work, Viva-Voce, in Science & Mathematics, Map Work and Role Play in Social Science would be conducted during regular online classes as per the guideline of the CBSE.

Conducting classes and **Examinations** in a hassle free manner is serious responsibility. We have developed a system and processes to conduct **Examinations** successfully with utmost diligence. With the latest pandemic threat, every process needs to be redefined to ensure strict compliance to all the required norms of the Social Distancing as per the guidelines of the Government. **Amidst COVID-19 Pandemic**, we have drawn up a comprehensive plan for conducting **Examinations** as per the following schedule. We are aware of the challenges during **COVID-19** and will be able to address them in a timely manner with your support and collaboration.

We know that during the examination, children have some stress and anxiety about it. They are working hard for the upcoming **Examination** as per the syllabus given to them. You are required to take care of their health and they must focus on their study as per the "**My Day Planner**" given to you and improve their performance in the Mid Term-1 **Examination** and in the Term-1 End **Examination** that is to be conducted in the month of November & December-2021. Term-2 End **Examination** will be conducted in the month of **March**/ April 2022.

We know that during the examination/Test, children have some stress and anxiety about it. Kindly motivate your ward to perform well in the Mid Term-1/Term-1 End Examination & and submit the PDF file of the answer sheets to the class Teacher immediately after the examination in the Google Classroom and discuss the academic performance of your ward during PTM Meeting.



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Let us work together and create a new Academic way of learning and Assessment atmosphere at home by making your child appear enthusiastically in the Mid Term-1 Examination and Temr-1 End Examination as per the above Schedule for Academic Year: 2021-22. You are required to prepare your children for the upcoming Examination and in future for Competitive Examinations like NEET, JEE, NTSE, KVPY, CA, CS by providing best atmosphere at school and home to make them strong in all the subjects as per Examination Guidelines of the CBSE Board, New Delhi.

I request you to feel always comfortable to send your valuable feedback to us. We respect all our honourable parents and value their feedback to make our students best in academic performance and for the growth of our school in current academic year 2021-22.

I sincerely thank our respected parents for their continuous support to the ongoing transformation, adaptation and evolution of this institution.

Mid Term-1 Examination Schedule of LKG to Grade-VIII for Academic Year: 2021-22										
Duration of Examination			Mi	Mid Term-1 Examination:2021-22				<b>M.M.:40</b>		
01Hour 30 Minutes										
Date Mid Term-1		15.09.2021	17.09.2021	20.09.2021	22.09.2021	24.09.2021	27.09.2021			
&	Examination Timings		Wednesday	Friday	Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Monday		
Days	From	То								
Class										
LKG	05:00 pm	06:30 pm	LS Oral	Literacy Skill	NS Oral	Numeracy	GA Oral	General		
						Skill		Awareness		
UKG	05:00 pm	06:30 pm	LS Oral	Literacy Skill	NS Oral	Numeracy	GA Oral	General		
						Skill		Awareness		
Ι	05:00 pm	06:30 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	EVS	Grammar	-		
II	05:00 pm	06:30 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	EVS	Grammar	-		
III	05:00 pm	06:30 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		
IV	03:00 pm	04:30 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		
V	03:00 pm	04:30 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		
VI	09:30 am	11:00 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		
VII	09:30 am	11:00 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		
VIII	09:30 am	11:00 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.		

### **Tentative Dates of Term-1 End Examination Schedule Of LKG to Grade-VIII for Academic Year: 2021-22**

Duration of Examination			Term-1 End Examination:2021-22				M.M.:80	
03 Hours								
Date	Date Mid Term-1		22.11.2021	24.11.2021	26.11.2021	29.11.2021	01.12.2021	03.12.2021
&	Examination Timings		Monday	Wednesday	Friday	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
Days	From	То						
Class								
LKG	04:00 pm	07:00 pm	LS Oral	Literacy Skill	NS Oral	Numeracy	GA Oral	General
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II	04:00 pm	07:00 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	EVS	Grammar	-
III	04:00 pm	04:00 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.
IV	02:00 pm	05:00 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.
V	02:00 pm	05:00 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.
VI	09:30 am	12:30 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.
VII	09:30 am	12:30 pm	English	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.
VIII	09:30 am	12:30 pm	English	2nd Lang.(Tamil/Hindi)	Mathematics	Science	GND	Social Sc.





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## **Question Paper Blue Print for Mid Term-1 Examination**

**for** Academic Year: 2021-22

Duration of Examination 01Hour 30 Minutes	Mid Term-1 Examination:2021-22					M.M.:40	
Question must be based on	Multiple Choice	Very Short	Short	Long Answer	Total No. of		
following Skills	Question(MCQ)	Answer Type	Answer Type	Туре	Question	Marks	
	01 Mark Each	Questions	Question(SA)	Question(SA)			
		(VSA) 2	03 Marks	05 Marks Each			
		Marks Each	Each				
Knowledge Skill	04	-	-	-	04	04	
Understanding Skill	03	01	-	-	04	05	
Application Skill	02	01	01	01	05	12	
Higher Order Thinking Skill	02	01	01	01	05	12	
Analytical Skill	02	-	-	-	02	02	
Creative Skill	02	-	01	-	03	05	
Total No. of Question (Marks)	15(15)	03(06)	03(09)	02(10)	23	40	

## Question Paper Blue Print for Term-1 End Examination for Academic Year: 2021-22

Duration of Examination 03Hours	Term-1 End Examination:2021-22					M.M.:80	
Question must be based on following Skills	Multiple Choice Question(MCQ) 01 Mark Each	Very Short Answer Type Questions (VSA) 2 Marks Each	Short Answer Type Question(SA) 03 Marks Each	Long Answer Type Question(SA) 05 Marks Each	Total Question	No. of Marks	
Knowledge Skill	10	01	01	-	12	15	
Understanding Skill	10	01	01	-	12	15	
Application Skill	05	01	01	01	08	15	
Higher Order Thinking Skill	05	01	01	01	08	15	
Analytical Skill	05	01	-	01	07	12	
Creative Skill	05	-	01	-	06	08	
Total No. of Question (Marks)	40(40)	05(10)	05(15)	03(15)	53	80	

Kindly Note: Kindly motivate your ward to perform well in all the Mid Term-1 & Term-1 End Examinations.

- **Mid Term-1 Examination** would be conducted as per the Timings allotted to the class
- Kindly do not approach the principal for the preponement or postponement of any examination.
- No Examination will be taken either before or after the scheduled date.
- In case of Absence, no marks will be awarded and no exam will be taken later.

Sir/Mam, I request you please take care of the health of your ward during the examinations. They should also take proper sleep at night. Motivate your ward to perform well and avoid giving them pressure. Wish you All the Best...

Thanking you,

#### Regards

(Mathura Prasad Pandey) Principal ARISTO PUBLIC SCHOOL, Cuddalore