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Dear Parents,

Greetings from DPS Hajipur!

I am pleased to bring the good news to all parents that we are Affiliated with CBSE. Our Affiliation number is 331110. Our grade 9 students will be registered with the Board for the Academic session 2022-2023.

As we commence the final leg of our journey into the academic year of 2021-22, I know that all our students and teachers are gearing up to give the one final push to ensure all learning outcomes and objectives that were set up for the academic year are being met. Syllabus completion and revisions are underway for the big jump towards the final examinations.

While our students are preparing, I know our parents are working hard as well in the background to support the children. While all this hard work is going on, I am reminded of an experiment that was conducted, which highlights what really is important for each of our students to remember in the gamut of experiences at their respective age and grade level.

The experiment was conducted to see if greyhounds could compete with the speed of a cheetah. When the cages opened, people were surprised to see that the cheetah didn't move. They asked the race coordinator what had happened and why had the cheetah not moved.

He responded by saying, sometimes trying to prove that you are the best is an insult to your self-worth. It is better to save your energy for more worthy endeavors. A cheetah uses his speed to hunt and not prove that he is faster and stronger than anyone else.

So in the same way my message for our dear students is, use all the potential you have within you, to bring out the best in yourself. Do not be blinded by how others are faring or spend time comparing your performance with that of your friends, rather work hard to prove to yourself how you compare to your own past performance. Set benchmarks and targets in each subject such that it is higher than your last performance. Parents can help children to prepare for the oncoming exams by working parallelly alongside children, and not having unreasonable expectations. Encourage children to climb the ladder slowly and steadily rather than taking long leaps and jumps, which may lead to frustration and dissatisfaction for both.

Let us as adults provide a nurturing cushion for our children to grow in confidence, accepting the academic and non-academic targets set by them, and allowing them to become confident like the ‘cheetah’ in the experiment. All that they have to do is know and believe in their self-worth and ability, and it is us who can gently nudge them and give them this confidence.

Wishing all our students the very best for the final exams scheduled soon. Work hard and soar high to reach your limits.

Elizabeth Joseph

Principal