

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28Th July, 2023:

The first AGM of the academic year 2023 - 24 was held on Friday 28Th July, 2023.

- Mr. Rajendra welcomed all the PTA members and introduced the new panel of the committee members. This was followed by reading of the agenda for the meeting.
- Heeding the norm, he read the minutes of the previous PTA meeting. It was the 1st PTA meeting for the academic year 2023-2024, which was held on 6th June, 2023
- The minutes of the meeting were seconded by Mrs Gosrani, Mrs. Shaha and Mrs Shetty.
- Mr. Rajendra now requested the principal, Dr. Roy to address the august gathering.
- Sir Roy welcomed the parents and thanked them for their presence in the meeting as he mentioned that in spite of the heavy rain, they had braved the odds and come in such large numbers.
- Sir Roy mentioned that the aim of Greenlawn's school is to foster a strong character which will help them to tackle the challenges of the world and manifest a strong intellect that will help them to tide over the changing economic set up of the world
- Sir Roy also said that the basic essence of any education system is to create good human beings for the society, besides developing a sense of empathy, sensitivity and a deep sense of loyalty towards his/her mother land. He further added that a child who is honest, hardworking, and sincere will always stay humble, rooted to his values, respecting his or her family, achieving success along the way.

- It is with this aim that we at Greenlawn's strive to bring out the best in each child. I do believe that if the roots are strong, it does not matter as no storm in the world can uproot the tree or bend or break its branches. We intend to make the children emotionally strong so as to create future citizens who have nerves of steel and can shoulder any responsibility with elan. The child will stand strong unfazed in the upheaval of times. A strongly rooted tree will not wither even when acid is being poured, I mean the detrimental effect of social media. This includes the fake news and every other nonsensical thing that is fed into the young and innocent minds of our children. These children are very naive. They just don't understand. They use certain words which they do not understand the meaning of, they do certain acts without realizing its consequences.
- Sir Roy requested the parents to give their children at home, the right set of values, to teach them to be honest, to be disciplined, to respect their elders and to be just, fair and sympathetic to every other human being or every other living being around them.

- **If they are sensitive and kind, they turn out to be better human beings. Ture to his/her her profession be it a doctor or engineer his/her professional achievement surpass all expectations. I feel that as he or she is strongly rooted in their core values. The engineer will make a strong and sturdy bridge which will not deteriorate even after 10 years. As our children, the bridge will also weather the storm and stay un ruffled in the trying times**
- **Sir Roy said that he strongly feels that as an educationist, as a strategist and as a leader, his duty is to make each and every child resilient and happy.**
- **He said that we need to keep the children happy and it is for this very reason, we decided to take our children out for a movie on 28th July,2023 at the PVR theatre. The movie was produced and directed by one of our ex-students, Karan Johar, who had requested the school to send the children to watch his blockbuster movie. It was sponsored by the school and the IIMUN.**
- **Sir Roy in his speech thanked our ex-pupil, Karan Johar for making such grand family entertainers as these movies instill a sense of awe, respect and love for our own families, which are valuable virtues that we much cherish and uphold.**
- **As reiterated by Dr. Roy, the children learn from these movies, as these movies are a reflection of our society, they get an insight as how to blend the old with the new, the tradition and culture of the old with the values of the new. Dr Roy stated that before he begins with the first agenda of the meet which is the Terminal Examination, he must share some great news; He had sent it across the school portal as well. People say that Greenlawns School is a small school, but they do not know that in David and Goliath's fight, David was confident of his victory. As he was asked about the monster, David replied that he is huge so he will not miss any of his shots and that will result in his victory.**
- **Similarly, we at Greenlawns believe that we are the David and can defeat any Goliath from anywhere in the world as though we are a small school, we are powerful. I am saying this with great pride as one of our students from grade 7, Kian Desai has represented India in the International Taekwondo competition held at Bangkok, Thailand. He has been selected for the Asian Championship. Very few schools in the city can boast about having someone who represents India.**
- **He continued his speech and said that he was very proud to announce this in front of all the lovely and responsible parents. The very next day, it was another thrilling news, as one of the students, Arnav Shinde from standard nine had won the gold medal in the Maharashtra Boxing Championship. Now he is going to represent Maharashtra as the next round will be in Orissa.**
- **Sir Roy informed the parents that at Frank Anthony inter-school debate competition Master Pulkit Agarwal and Miss Hrisha Jain from grade 10 have won the First prize beating the top most schools of Mumbai. They are now going for the national levels which will be held in Bangalore.**

- **Sir Roy thanked the parents for their faith in the institution, and their unwavering support. He further added that the children are like wet clay. Parents on one side, just like a kumbhar, a potter, using both his hands to carve out that beautiful pot. So, the children are the wet clay that have been handed over to the school with so much of trust. The parents on one side and the teachers on the other side, with the right amount of pressure, we can create the beautiful vase which has the utmost value in society.**
- **Dr Roy said that the unwavering support and trust is what is needed the most. Since 1959, the school stands strong keeping our faith and principles at the highest level to train the students to be the global citizens of the future.**
- **Sir Roy continued about the exams as they are approaching soon. The timetable has already been sent last week. The reason he had sent the timetable so early is that the children should be aware and be ready for it, to give them enough time to prepare. The portion has also been declared by the teachers well in advance. Now, it is time for them to sit and prepare.**
- **He further added that he is aware of the parents shouldering many responsibilities, but they must not forget that there is a small 14 year old or a 12 year old, a 15 year old waiting at home. Maybe he or she may not say anything but they wait for your guidance and crave for your attention That small pat on his back saying that I am there for you will go a long way.**
- **Sir Roy stressed that the parents make a big difference and requested the parents to encourage their children and motivate them to do well. He advised the parents to prepare for the exams without any stress as done during a festival. Let us not unnecessarily get them into the rat race.**
- **A race where you have to come first, you have to come second. You need to have 100 on 100 in math. In turn we should train them to be good in whatever field they are in . Some children might be good in sports or athletics. He/she may not be very good in academics, they are trying. All that a child needs, is that little bit of motivation saying that it's okay, you do your best, I am there with you.**
- **Sir Roy then cautioned the parents that some children may try to take advantage of the situation as well. When they see that the parents are kind, they try to find a way out. At times, the parents must have a firm hand.**
- **Sir Roy insisted that the parents must prepare a study schedule for the child and make sure that the children follow it.**
- **Sir Roy expressed his concern on how kids are spending their time in going from one tuition to another. He wants the children at this tender age to do only two things, study and play & be happy. He insisted that the parents must stop tuitions as far as possible, If any child needs any help, he/she can wait after school and clear his/her doubts.**
- **Sir Roy said that without tuitions the child will get into the habit of self-study and this will make him independent.**
- **Dr. Roy advised the parents not to spank the children, the child should have fear of the parents eyes, and must not pressurize the child.**
- **Dr. Roy said that if any child is found copying during the exam, the child will be getting a Zero.**

- According to NEP guidelines the school has organized, training workshops on CPR for seniors by doctors from KEM hospital and also organized a talk show on management and awareness of diabetes.
- Sir Roy announced that every Friday the school will be conducting a skill developing workshop for children.
- Dr. Roy advised the parents to keep a check on the remark section of the dairy and informed them that for every 10 negative remarks, a pink card will be issued to the child. On two pink cards, the child will be issued a leaving certificate.
- All the test papers sent should be signed and fixed or attached in the book. Dr Roy told the parents not to send any fake doctors' certificates.
- if any child is selected for any inter house or inter school competition, the child cannot back out. In case of the rain and emergency holiday, the scheduled test will be taken on the following day.
- Sir Roy thanked the PTA for - 15,000 rupees for the support staff.
- He requested the PTA to take active part in organizing the fun fair, dandiya, and grandparents' day-The Grandparents Day will be celebrated on 11th August, 2023. He invited the PTA members to be a part of it.
- The canteen money has been donated in the form of giving away 700 kgs of grains to the blind school- NAB and a music system for they have requested the same this year.
- His office is always open to any query or complaints or even positive feedback as at the moment we are among the top 5 school in the zone we aim to be at number 1. He concluded by thanking every one for attending the meeting.
- Mr Rajendra thanked everyone and offered refreshments to the parents as they departed with gratitude.

Regards,
Mr. Rajendra Madipelli
(Secretary)