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Dear Parents/Students, Greetings from LFS Rapti Nagar!

During the past year, COVID-19 pandemic has turned our lives upside down and changed not just the way we live and work but also how we think and behave. Even the Academic year 2020-21 was a year of change, adaptation, adoption and evolvement. Having been hit by unprecedented times, our academic schedule was disrupted and it hindered the students' learning graph. We were hopeful of an uninterrupted academic year 2021-22 but the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of covid 19 hit our country the most and we are forced to shut ourselves again in our homes. We are now unsure about opening our school premises again for our students.

It is ironic that we often understand and appreciate the value of something only once it's broken. The daily rituals of school, playground, hobbies and mealtimes with the classmates and activities may appear monotonous and repetitive but they form the platform for emotional safety and stability that are fundamentals for any child's healthy growth and development. This is what our students miss most in this pandemic and as consequence, there is a deep sense of loss, hopelessness and despair among our children. It is as if the pandemic had snatched away our valuable connections, freedom and agency that bring pleasure and joy to our lives.

Every setback is an opportunity for transformation and adaptation. We need to continue our teaching and learning even in the midst of prevailing uncertainties. So, we shall resume our classes after the summer vacation from 1 June 2021. The arrangement of online classes is as follow.

Classes LKG to V- Recorded videos will be published in school websiteClasses VI to XII- Online live classes

Details to access the classes will be shared by the class teachers in the broadcast group of the class.

Class schedule effective from 1 June 2021 is attached herewith.

Dear Friends, the pandemic has shaken humanity and made us question the way we have treated nature and our environment; raised doubts about the meaning of success and our mindless pursuit of the material things. It has also given us a chance to reconsider our priorities in life. This situation has shown us that we are all the same regardless of our religion, culture, customs, social status etc. The virus showed us that we should all stick together. Let this challenging period teach us to live together as one family.

I wish all our students God's blessings and a very fruitful academic year.

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