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Leading Virtual Initiatives for ensuring Student Learning

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The School Context

Vidya Mandir is located in Bashachamola Village/hamlet in Bhudargad Taluka in Kolhapur District of Maharashtra. The school is managed by the local body. It is situated in a rural area. The school is a co-educational school.

Challenges faced due to School Closure

All parents of the school did not have smartphones available with them. Due to lockdown, as schools were closed, head teacher and teachers couldn't meet students during this period. The school Transformation Programme suffered in terms of completing the dream project of school development.

Innovative Leadership Practices for Mitigating Learning Gaps

School head arranged some innovative programmes in school through online and offline method. 'We are little teacher' is an offline innovative programme for students to provide education constantly. The program was most helpful in the corona lockdown period.

This programme 'We Are Little Teacher' has win in district level and was nominated for the state level in an innovation competition for teachers which were given by the government. Students have learned very peacefully and joyfully while school was closed for a long time. Many schools from Maharashtra followed this innovative program in their schools as great way in difficult situation. Some students played role as little teacher means teacher friend in such needy situation. Also started one online educational web series through YouTube channel named as 'MERI ONLINE PATHSHALA-HAPPY LEARNING AT HOME'. 'MY ONLINE SCHOOL' is a useful study program for students in lockdown period where students can get the best guide lesson and online test.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?app=desktop&list=PLN3xUBt2onnzAaGlsh6ljGqtYo_9Jm1QV

This is especially for 'Talent Search Exam Preparation. For this program, animated lesson episodes have been created and published on a YouTube channel. This is also much helpful in the lockdown period. Students can learn easily from their homes. Also, this project has been very helpful for students all over the country.

It is realised that the online education method is not suitable for 1st standard. One special programme for first Standard that is 'STRONG FOUNDATION- PAHALI PAKKI NIV' was conducted. This innovation program 'STRONG FOUNDATION' is for 1st Standard class teachers. Now when schools are closed one guide-based motivational program was started 'STRONG FOUNDATION'. In Marathi it can be called 'PAKKA PAYA PAHILICHA' Source Link: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLN3xUBt2onnzNRRI9glolHet06XTww1cr

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5Qnf7cP3Q&list=PLSiPjXQ11pfac7VJn9ya1_JxSjbU_p_zQ&index=1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=362vCWCxbgI&list=PLSiPjXQ11pfac7VJn9ya1_JxSj



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFpiIZtju64

Collaboration with Community and Parents to ensure Student Learning



Online connectivity was one of the best options in this situation for connecting students and parents. For the purpose, basic training using Diksha App, YouTube, Qr code app and participation of webinars to parents and SMC members was arranged. Parents fully supported all online and offline programmes during this period. All people also greatly supported the school development movement that was running at the time period. The school building was unused for 14 years, but it has been transformed into one ideal role model school. This change happened only last year (2020). School has succeeded in getting more than 12 lakh rupees of help from public support. Proudful thing is that all villagers spend more than 110 free working days for changing and standing school. Bashchamola School is known as a motivational and ideal example for teachers of the entire nation. Great infrastructure was also created in school by mobilization of society. I have published one motivational web series based on this unbelievable school development journey. Also taken other special activity programs for students.

The proud thing about SMC, community and parents is that they have brought historical change in this school, Bashachamol, by creating a great campus for school education. My present Bashachamola school is also an inaccessible area school. Because of infrastructure problem school building had been unused for the last 14 year. After joining in this school I have decided to change this situation. With the contribution of

villagers and social donations, we have managed to gain 12 lakh rupees. After motivation peoples they spent more than 110 working days as labour for developing school. Now this school is being role model for all schools in rural and small schools. This historical journey has been published on YouTube channel which has been motivating teachers in nation. One more proudful thing is, after watching this web series many teachers from country donated more than 2 lakhs to school. Head of school have succeeded in making a history.

Way Forward

To bring change in the school, school head plan to now make ideal digital and ICT centre for school. SMC and all parents always have supported and participated in every educational activity for sustaining quality in education during the period of lockdown. Along with collaboration with SMC, community and parents, conducted more innovative programmes like 'We are little teacher' and 'Strong foundation for first class' and plan to follow the same strategy for facilitating quality teaching learning.

Conference Presentation

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1xnJMCOsmBU2cgNSRgerfQiosdKQptHqB/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=103705547766060522301&rtpof=true&sd=true