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The new Bangalore schools are located in Manyata Tech Park, Mahadevpura and HSR Layout. Pune has its new schools in Magarpatta, Kharadi and Wakad. All these schools are resplendent with a lot of space, light, play, colour and life. Children attend the pre-schools in the morning and stay on for child care through the rest of the day if required. Our newly created support structure works intimately with parents to become an extension of their home environment.

On another equally important note, I am pleased to announce that we have further enhanced the quality of our curriculum to include cutting-edge current research and developments in the field of early childhood education.

Grounded in the work of The Centre on the Developing Child and HGSE at Harvard University; the International Baccalaureate (IB) and, the Infant and Toddler Centers of Reggio Emilia, the first of our ground-breaking programs, The Technology Studio provides a platform to create 21st century–enabled children. This specialised curricular program was developed and designed in collaboration with Apple Inc. We aim to seamlessly integrate technology as a tool to create rich, differentiated and powerful learning experiences. The second program is called The Entrepreneurship Program. It is designed to develop

entrepreneurial and enterprising elements in our children and prepare them for a whole new world of future full of challenges and opportunities. We look forward to your continued patronage, collaboration and participation in making our children lifelong learners, confident leaders and responsible global citizens.

Dr. ARUN ARORA Chairman, Edvance Group

# **Mentor Corner**

# **Updated Curriculum to Enhance Learning**

At Vivero and Serra, we do not teach 'classes', we teach individuals. Teaching is not a one-size-fits-all automated process but an intentional and purposeful endeavor. The cornerstone of our approach is respect for each child. Our teachers observe each child and tailor instructions to suit the individual needs of that child.

The curriculum at Vivero and Serra is grounded in current research and developments in the field of early childhood education. In particular the work of The Centre on the Developing Child and HGSE at Harvard University; the International Baccalaureate (IB) and, the Infant and Toddler Centers of Reggio Emilia.

Fundamental to our beliefs is the importance of all round development of the child - emotional, physical, cognitive and social.

Our curriculum establishes broad developmentally appropriate learning goals for each learning area and age-group. Our educators then access a child's knowledge and structure specific learning environments and experiences, which support that child's progress towards identified goals.

These experiences are play-based, hands-on and experiential in nature. They ensure deeper enjoyment, with an understanding of concepts and ideas. These further aid in helping children realize their full potential as intelligent, creative, whole persons. Children grow in competence to

symbolically represent ideas and feelings through any of their "hundreds of languages" (expressive, communicative, and cognitive)-words, movement, drawing, painting, building, sculpture, shadow play, collage, dramatic play, music, to name a few-that they systemically explore and combine.

As the curriculum is a constantly evolving one, newer ideas and initiatives are periodically added to upgrade and further develop the syllabus. Few of the newer developments at our schools are -





Project Based Learning and Culmination Day

Project Based Learning offers children opportunities to explore concepts independently and follow their own interests. Projects provide the backbone of the children's and teachers' learning experiences. They are based on the strong convictions that learning by doing is of great importance and that to discuss in group and to revisit ideas and experiences is the premier way of learning. Children are given an opportunity to display and showcase their work to parents and community in the form of a 'Culmination Day'.

#### Leadership Initiative

At VIVERO we believe that children have the innate capacity to lead in their own lives and affect those around them by making positive choices. The Leadership Initiative is intended to provide opportunities and planned engagements to prepare young children for taking on leadership responsibility. Through the engagements the teachers will facilitate the children to acquire broad interests, self-esteem, confidence and skills that characterize leaders.

#### **Tech Curriculum**

Children born in the 21st century are digital citizens and it's only natural to speak to them through the language of technology. Through the Tech Studio initiative, we aim to seamlessly integrate technology to create rich, differentiated and powerful learning experiences for the learners. The purpose of integrating technology into our curriculum is to further enhance-

• Communication: of ideas and of consolidated learning to the broader community

- Collaboration: among members of our learning community
- Visualization and Thinking: Using technology to visually demonstrate thinking process

#### **Entrepreneurship Initiative**

The Entrepreneurship Program in Vivero aims at developing enterprising traits in children to prepare them for the variety of experiences they may face in their future. Entrepreneurial values such as empathy, creativity, ambition, resilience, self-belief, imagination and independent thinking are valuable traits in themselves, the development of which will have a positive impact on the way children view themselves, the world they live in, and the opportunities and challenges they will inevitably face in the years ahead.

Our child entrepreneur initiative has been interwoven into the curriculum to help build the foundation of essential entrepreneurial skills that will help children lead successful and fulfilling lives



# Serra Update



Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) UK and Eton House goals that establishes broad, developmentally appropriate learning goals for each learning area and age group. Our model of early childhood education fulfils individual learner's potential and also ensures overall growth of children. This model provides an inspirational physical and emotional environment that promotes a sense of community and possibility. To ensure deeper understanding of concepts and ideas, specific learning experiences are structured that are play-based, hands-on and experiential in nature.

# The cornerstone of quality infant and early childhood education

At SERRA International Preschools, we have introduced a new program called "Preschool Transition Program" for children in the age group 18 months onwards. This is an opportunity for young children to step into a comfortable learning environment at an early age.

Remembering the bedrock of Serra, the Italian word for a place where life is nurtured, the cornerstone of our approach is respect for each child. The inspiration comes from the Reggio Emilia Approach that allows a child to use all their senses and languages to learn. The curriculum leverages "Early Learning Goals" from the

#### Focused Curriculum

The curriculum is also enhanced by adding the "Serra Phonetic Awareness and the Serra Reading & Writing Program". The Nursery children are introduced to the letters of the alphabet through touch and feel letter books that have real images and not animated ones. The Kindergarten I and Kindergarten II children begin to write in the Serra Literacy, Numeracy and Hindi journals. We also ensure continuous assessment of our pedagogy that focuses on learner performance and development. Moving with times, we have integrated and used the power of technology through ICT to improve the learning outcomes. To facilitate constant growth

and development amongst teachers we have begun a "Teacher exchange program", which enhances ideas of environment enrichment and provides a platform to exchange ideas and opinions and ways to troubleshoot ground situations. Teachers learn to make decisions about learning experiences, explore resources, design and location of the learning environment. Group interactions help understand routines and strategies for assessment.

At the beginning of the academic session there is an Orientation Training conducted to help teachers understand the Serra Philosophy, ways to execute the curriculum and a brief synopsis of the upgradation done each year.

Experienced and senior Serra Teachers who have a better understanding of the philosophies and strategies become "Mentor teachers", to guide, support and assist other teachers to execute the curriculum more effectively.

Serra celebrates partnering with parents for better growth of the children and as a part of the preschool curriculum we invite the parents for "Culmination day". Culmination Day marks the closure of a Unit of Inquiry, and on this day parents visit the school to get a glimpse of the children's journey and engagements. Each child's work and progress is documented in a special Portfolio that is shared with the parent, allowing them to be a part of their child's life at school.

At Serra International, we cherish our role to deliver joyful, holistic, child-centric and developmentally appropriate learning experiences at this critical stage of a child's life.

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As part of the Entrepreneurship Program children undertook a variety of Projects:

#### 1. Shopping Centre



The children of K2 at Whitefield, Bangalore were engaged in a "shopping" role play assignment wherein they designed their own credit cards and used both paper money and cards to purchase goods from the Shopping Centre. Play shops with pretend food, cashiers, shelves and money ignited a great deal of excitement in children as they acted out being shop assistants and customers.

This designed activity strengthened the concept of money and introduced business literacy to the children. Role play enhanced their decision making and problem solving skills through both verbal and non-verbal communication.

# 4. Saving Money



Financial discipline and management is an important entrepreneurial skill. Children at Vivero Whitefield, Bangalore, were introduced to the concept of saving for the future through a piggy bank activity. They were encouraged to make a wish list of things that they want to do with their savings. The teachers helped them to prioritize cost and value. The topic of the less privileged around them was introduced and a discussion on this ensued. They then made a piggy bank for themselves for collecting money, a part of this will be used to aid the less privileged.

#### 2. Vegetable Market



Introducing concepts of negotiating a market scenario was another activity, and children were engaged in activities that combined health, science and nutrition lessons with business skills. The children from Vivero International Preschool, Indiranagar, Bengaluru, were provided with eco –friendly grocery bags, play money, paper, pencils (for shopping lists), etc. Teachers played the role of vendors and encouraged them to value, negotiate, choose and weigh their vegetables. Through this entrepreneurial activity, children were able to discover direct methods of selling food and understand how food is produced, distributed and sold.

#### 5. Resume Making



The K2 children at Vivero International Preschool, Koramangala, Bangalore, used their creative skills to develop their resumes describing their strengths and skills. A mini-book titled "All about me" was made in the shape of each child's handprint individually. The children took turns describing their achievements, revealing their growth of self-esteem and confidence. Entrepreneurs take time to reflect on their skills and weaknesses, and thus the children were encouraged to assess and understand their strengths and limitations in order to achieve their goals in future.

#### 3. Buddy Interview



The K2 children from Vivero International Preschool, Whitefield, Bangalore, were guided through the process of an 'interview'. Children interviewed their friends, learning new things about them. This activity gave each an opportunity to appreciate their similarities and differences - in terms of hobbies, likes, dislikes, games, food etc. One of the goals of this entrepreneurship activity was to set up a democratic environment at school where children feel free to express themselves. It is directed at the children to take pride in being unique and equal contributors to the team. Working in small groups and approaching classmate for engagements helps create opportunities for open ended play activities that boost self-esteem and confidence.

#### 6. Waste Management



Children from Vivero International School, Koramangla, Bangalore, were taken on a field trip to a park nearby. They spoke about waste management and helped clean a part of the park by picking up dry twigs and leaves and putting it into the garden's trash can. The aim of this engagement was to encourage their problem solving skills by providing opportunities to start finding or creating solutions for themselves in their day to day lives. Through the course of this engagement children came up with great ideas to resolve the waste management and garbage issues in the cities.

# The Inside Scoop





### Serra International Preschool, Magarpatta, Pune

Serra International Preschool, Magarpatta, went live on June 13, 2016 with 67 children on its first day. Three months down the line they are at a strength of 92. The preschool is set up in a beautifully landscaped 7500 sq.ft. house, at an unobtrusive location within Magarpatta City. It is a perfect blend of modern architecture with naturally lit, safe, hygienic and spacious classrooms. Keeping in mind our purpose of shaping lifelong learners, we provide a warm and nurturing environment that facilitates inquiry based learning.

This includes a "Tech Studio" equipped with developmentally appropriate software, a music room where children have a hands on experience with various musical instruments, a science atelier and atelier of art for children to explore media and material. The children have created a vegetable patch and herb garden outdoors. The sand play and a traffic park also constitute the outdoor play area.

"The school ambience has been set up for optimum learning"- Serra parent, Harry Alexander

In the short span of its existence, facilitators at the school have conducted a few events and workshops that has given an opportunity for the parents and teachers not only to interact but to bond and partner in the learning journey of the children.

Our children enjoy French, Salsa dance sessions too. Karate sessions and a UK based sports program, Zoomer, helps focus on their physical development.

# Vivero International Pre-School, Mahadevpura, Bengaluru

Vivero has launched a brand new International Preschool & Childcare at Mahadevapura in Bengaluru. Spread over 7000 sq.ft, the pre-school offers comprehensive educational as well as childcare programmes for children aged between 6 months to 10 years. Vivero follows an Inquiry based approach that is inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy and is a joint venture with Eton House, one of the finest pre-schools in Singapore.

The school's niche programme offers an integrated model - a perfect blend of excellent quality pre schooling and exceptional child care services. The school has different learning corners set up in the atelier to facilitate experiential learning through the entire expanse of the space. An ideal adult child ratio is maintained to ensure proper attention to all children. The school has a tech studio set up in association with Apple to introduce technology aided learning.

Safety of the child is of supreme importance at Vivero and the pre-school has 24 hour security, CCTV monitors in all areas of the school, daily temperature checks for children, child friendly furniture and resources. The schools environment is set up with the child's interest in mind hence the school is child friendly, safe and hygienic.

The team is committed towards care and development of the child and fostering a safe and exciting environment. Children are provided hot, fresh and tasty meals cooked at the school. The menu is carefully planned to offer a well-balanced meal made in a hygienic environment. The outdoor space has an open play area, sand boxes, green walls as well as a traffic park.

# Vivero International Pre-School, Manyata Tech Park, Bengaluru



Vivero International Preschool & Childcare at Manyata Tech Park in Bengaluru offers a world class pre-school, personalized and professional infant care and thoughtfully-planned after school care program. The Pre-School program ensures the academic rigour that children need, to comfortably transition into mainstream schools.

Spread over an area of 5600 sq. ft., the school is completely air-conditioned and has a secure single entrance manned at all times. Apart from maintaining strict health, safety and hygiene standards, CCTV surveillance and daily health checks ensure the child's safety and well-being.

At Vivero, we believe that creating a positive learning environment enhances opportunities for young children to feel safe and supported. With an approach

that focuses on the integration of knowledge, critical thinking, problem solving and other skills, our teachers encourage children to exercise their inborn curiosity. The after-school care is a "home away from home", nurturing young children into independent, strong and confident individuals. Unique corners are designed to facilitate different aspects of a child's development. Learning corners like the light & reflection corner, Math investigation area, Discovery of Life table, and the construction and home corners offer holistic engagement of the child. Foreign languages, theatre, music, sports and cookery are part of the enrichment program. Our staff is committed towards the nurturing and development of your child. Constant personal and professional development and training of teachers ensures that your child is secure and enriched.

### The Tech Studio





We assume that our life and the lives of our children will be similar. Wouldn't education be more interesting if we connected what students learn, to the future?" -Harvard's David Perkins The world is changing at a fast rate, and the way

The world is changing at a fast rate, and the way we lead our lives and conduct business has been transformed by technology. We are moving at hypersonic speed into a global knowledge and Information Age, and our children are the hall-bearers of that Information super highway. At Edvance, we facilitate the children to get ready for the future, and are committed towards providing world-class 21st century education that fuels their development.

We launched a new initiative called 'The Tech Studio' to prepare and educate our children today to face the challenges of tomorrow's world. Our 'Tech-studio' is a collaborative space with state- of- art and age-appropriate technology tools such as the iPads and Apple TV that enable

children to engage in meaningful and powerful learning experiences. The pedagogical practices are focused on integrating 'Technology' with the curriculum in a seamless way.

Using technology for exploration and creation, the children undertake a variety of projects across the domains of Numeracy, Literacy and Knowledge and Understanding of the World. From delving in the realms of 'Artificial intelligence' with apps like 'Quiver', creating Books using 'Book Creator' and 'Story Maker', expressing their creativity with apps such as 'Garage Band', 'Doodle Buddy', 'Draw' and 'Amy's coloring book' or learning through gaming with apps such as 'More or Less', 'Even or Odds' etc., children embrace interactive technologies to express themselves, their environments, their learning, with confidence and their interaction with the world and its people.

### Culmination day for Tech Studio

The excitement of the new Tech Program was palpable in the classrooms. As a culmination to the introduction phase of the program, the eager beavers proudly presented their learning to the parents highlighting new skills and information.

The Tech Studio initiative culminated with Grade K2 children putting up an E-book that showcased their grasp of the technology, its working and the information that was presented. How technology transforms learning in children through high-speed, high-touch landscape was evident as they showed their learning of all the countries they had read about in their KUW engagements via an E-book presented on an Apple TV. Our proud parents were amazed and thrilled to find their children so knowledgeable about the iPad and the other Tech Studio tools. What was admirable was the skill and confidence of the children presenting their report.

'Tech Studios' has been successfully implemented at all company owned Serra International Schools in Pune, and Vivero International Pre-School, Powai. Next in line are all Vivero International Schools in Bengaluru, Pune and Mumbai.



# **Event Report**

# Being a Masterchef Daddy





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According to Psychology Today, 'Fatherhood turns out to be a complex and unique phenomenon with huge consequences for the emotional and intellectual growth of children.'

Vivero and Serra embrace this approach and encourage and promote the involvement of

fathers in every activity that their child is participating in

With this in mind, Serra, Sopan Baug hosted a special event called 'MasterChef Daddies' that brought fathers and their kids together on a single platform, working towards a common goal. Planned as an innovative salad making event, Masterchef Daddies contributed in cementing extra bonding between children and their fathers

#### Masterchef Salad

The school provided for basic salad ingredients while each Father brought an ingredient of their

choice from home. Every father collaborated with his child to create a salad for the family – an event that challenged the child and father like, giving rise to many moments of accomplishment, happiness and laughter. Mothers played an equally important role in creating a chef's hat for Daddy with the help of their child.

Besides being an excellent collaborative and partnering activity between father and child, the children got to witness a gender role reversal, an important facet of a healthy family.

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Research confirms that children who have spent time in high quality child care environments and education have lasting benefits from the experience, including better math, language and social skills as they enter higher school.

Clear systems and processes set at Edvance Pre-Schools assist facilitator and supports staff teams to continuously monitor service and training quality and look for constant improvement. This responsibility lies with each and every person who is connected to the school  from the school head to the cook and security, who ensure quality is uppermost in their daily checklist.

Quality processes are set in place in each centre, and with each adult in a position of responsibility, and these coordinated activities reflect our organizational goal to deliver the objectives/mission to benefit children. Each quality control process governs our actions from the moment a child walks in the gate, at study or play or meal time, until the moment the child is safely at home. Often, the quality process continues to govern the adults at home, in their interactions with their child.

At all Vivero and Serra centres, a 360-degree check is maintained by collecting objective feedback from all stakeholders. Keeping to the open door policy, a confidential bi-annual feedback is collected from parents and teachers. This is further analyzed and synthesized by the back end team to support improvement of the

product. A daily quality check is conducted and shared with the Head – Quality Assurance. They aid effectiveness and eliminate inefficiency by ensuring all aspects of operations are run optimally.

Self-reflection is built into the system, which helps in a culture of ongoing assessment and improvement. A 'Quality Audit' taken every trimester marks a blanket seal of excellence to the Pre-schools.

Edvance Pre-School is an ISO certified company which is yet another reassurance of quality in processes to the parents of young children at School. Both Vivero and Serra International were the proud recipients of the Global Awards for excellence in education (Outstanding Pre-School Award) bestowed by The World Education Congress.







## **HR Movements**

- Ms. Sharayu Thampi Transfer to Koramangala as its 'School Head'
- Ms. Chandani Ramnane Transfer to Koramangala as its 'Parent Relationship Manager'. She assumed this responsibility from Ms. Zainab Pradhan who is on Maternity Leave.
- Ms. Srijana Sachdeva Appointed as 'Parent Relationship Manager' of Vivero Whitefield in place of Ms. Chandani Ramnane
- Ms. Sowmya Belliappa took over from Ms. Sumithra Sen as School Head of Vivero, Whitefield.
- Ms. Archana Singh joined as 'National Manager Child Care'
- Ms. Ritika Kataria designated as the Parent Relationship Manager of Serra Aundh in absence of Ms. Dhara Sanghavi, who is on Maternity Leave
- Ms. Bhakti Bhatia designated as 'Vice Principal' of Serra Aundh
- Ms. Shivani Mehrotra appointed as 'Vice Principal' of Serra Kharadi
- Ms Harpreet Arora took over from Ms. Priti Joshi as the newly appointed 'School Head' of Vivero, Manyata
- Ms. Nikhat Javed joined as 'Parent Relationship Executive' at Vivero Manyata
- Ms Richa Bhatia took over from Ms. Jasmine Shah as 'School Head' of Vivero Powai
- Ms. Jolene Fernandes took over from Ms. Monika Gaikwad as Parent Relationship Manager at Serra, Sopan Baug
- Ms. Brinda Fidvi was appointed as 'Parent Relationship Manager' at Vivero, Kalyaninagar in place of Ms. Mansi Sathe Anson.

#### **New Schools**

#### A) Serra, Magarpatta

Ms. Hemangini Salukhe was given charge of Serra, Magarpatta , in addition to her existing role as 'Centre Head' of Vivero Magarpatta

Ms. Sejal Oswal took over the responsibility of Parent Relationship Executive at Serra, Magarpatta.

#### B) Vivero Mahadevapura:

- Ms. Chandralekha C was appointed as 'School Head' of the upcoming school at Mahadevpura
- Ms. Aishwarya Kalyanram joined as 'Parent Relationship Manager' of Vivero, Mahadevpura
- C) Serra Wakad:
- Ms. Radhika Srinivasan was appointed as the school co-ordinator of Serra, Wakad.

# **Parent Chronicles**



Asher is a very happy and calm child but like every other person, he has his own inhibitions and fears. When it was announced that the pre-nursery children are going to perform on stage in an auditorium, I had my doubts. I had seen him getting extremely fearful and uneasy in closed, dark, and loud spaces. But every day he would come home with a star, owing to a stellar rehearsal, and his educator Ms. Sejal would assure that he would be fine if sent early. I couldn't help admiring her confidence in my child.

While onstage during the event, he went on to do the whole piece feeling safe that he was standing next to Ms. Sejal. He may not have performed what he practiced, but for us, it was his biggest day! He overcame few of his biggest fears that day and is now capable of being in spaces, which are not very comfortable for him. Thank you once again.

Neha Kanaujia - Asher's mother Vivero International Preschool, Pune



I would define Serra as, 'Outstanding care, heaps of fun and great activities for children'. We Choose Serra for our little angel because everyone seemed friendly and enthusiastic. We feel it's a wonderful place for Rudra. He has become independent and confident.

As a first time mum I was nervous at leaving him at such a young age to go back to work. But the staff at Serra put me at ease and was very good at catering to my child's specific needs. I find that the entire staff is very helpful and friendly. The nursery provides a wide range of activities to keep him occupied throughout the day. He loves going to Serra and often has so much fun that he does not want to leave!

I would definitely recommend Serra.

Latika Bhatia- Rudra's mother Serra International Preschool, Pune



Vivero has been a beautiful journey for Varnika. She has grown, learnt and enjoyed every moment. I thank you Vivero for building a strong foundation for my little one. She has evolved into a beautiful human being who is compassionate and thoughtful towards her family, friends and society.

A special thanks to her Educators and to Kashmira for always being extremely patient and resolving everything for us. Vivero will always hold a special place in our heart.

Upasana Mathur, Varnika's mother Vivero International Preschool, Mumbai



Shravya (if I may say so myself) is extremely bright and probably a lot more mature than most children her age. She confidently answers when questioned directly, however she has always been a little reserved and not very forth coming. Ms. Anu immediately recognised this trait and has been encouraging her accordingly. In fact she has helped us, as parents to understand that being reserved is just another personal trait, which is not necessarily to be judged as a bad quality. This was something we had never earlier considered and it came as a huge relief to us. Over the last 2 years, we have seen an ocean of change in Shravya, she enjoys school a lot more and has started opening up and making more friends not only in school but also at home. Shravya, from an early age has always loved being read to but would never attempt to read herself. However, now we suddenly see her growing interests in reading. This is a direct result of the efforts put in at school. It means a lot to us. We are really reassured and feel that our child is in good hands. Thank you, Vivero.

Shweta and Tushar, Shravya's parents Vivero International Preschool, Mumbai



Over the last couple of years, we are witness to the tremendous growth of our daughter - a child confident of asking questions, bold enough for creative imagination, inquisitive to learn and never losing her childhood enthusiasm. This could not have been possible without the overall environment within the school, including fellow companions.

As a parent we are happy that our daughter is taught to be social, to respect elders as well as her classmates. Unlike in other regular schools where children are overloaded with homework here they are stress free and learn while having fun. We get weekly updates and monthly newsletters, which help us to understand what our daughter knows and how we can help. We whole-heartedly wish that you continue to help children reach their potential and keep spreading the joy of knowledge and discovery for many, many years.

Reshma and Praveen, Eeshanvi's parents Vivero International Preschool, Bangalore



We were finding it extremely tough to select a good preschool in Bangalore. We would ask around, go on interviews, and seek the advice of other parents. After visiting many schools we found one where our queries were heard and addressed patiently. After a detailed discussion with the Principal, Ms. Sharayu Thampi of Vivero International, we knew that we had finally come to the right place. Since her first day of school at Vivero, Charvi has been spending her days in an enjoyable and nurturing environment. All her educators seem to be interested in getting to know her and school has a welcoming, friendly atmosphere and stimulating curriculum. I would definitely be choosing Vivero as my younger daughter's preschool too:-)

Pooja Tyagi, Charvi's mother Vivero International Preschool, Bangalore

# Reach Out

### Close connection with parents



The Vivero and Serra App takes the communication and interaction with our parents to the next level with its concise and clear approach. It is designed to bring frequently accessed information to the front. Key areas of school communication such as newsletters, weekly updates, circulars, calendar, events, pictures and videos are just a click away.

The parents benefit from push notifications and gain information immediately, whether it is a special announcement, holiday alert or school safety related issue. Child or class specific documentation to parent can be sent quickly as image and PDF files.

During the Literacy week at one of the our preschools, the picture and a short write up of Pre-nursery children enacting the story of "The Hungry Caterpillar" was shared with the parents right after the class much to their amazement!



Effective planning of events is possible by using the invitation/participation question feature for RSVP. The social media platforms like FB/Twitter/LinkedIn are linked within the app to navigate to them directly for more information.

A prospective parent has easy access to the brochure, various programs we offer, FAQs, testimonials, address and the location of our schools. The app also has the facility of sending a quick enquiry through the enquiry form and applying for jobs through the career form.

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