

*Dear all,*

*At the very outset, I would like to take a moment to ensure that, in this extraordinarily demanding and stressful time, you all are taking care of yourself, specifically as it relates to your emotional well-being. We are going through an unprecedented global predicament for the past few months. Each one of us and the entire world is affected by the corona virus pandemic; all our ways of life are adversely affected by the scare of infection and contagion. I would like to share your anxiety and preoccupations and express my solidarity with you and your family.*

*I request all of you to place on record the brave hearts who have been working tirelessly putting their own life at risk all over the world. Nothing is enough to commend their selfless service. Let us in spirit wish and pray for all the people who have been affected by the virus directly and indirectly. As you all are aware about the virus and its impact on our lives, especially our students, I request all the parents to keep your wards at home till an official intimation is sent from the School via the School Website along with the date of re-opening. We will keep you informed about the School procedures regarding classes, admission and results in the School Website well in advance.*

*Our dedicated and co-operative staff, both teaching and non-teaching, have been showing their care and concern for the School and students, working from home preparing notes and engaging classes online for the benefit of students. I appreciate their concern for the students and commitment to academics. They have been lending their hand in crucial administrative duties by going beyond the call of duty to meet the deadlines. I would like to acknowledge their commitment and care for the institution. In fact, this is an extraordinary moment and it calls on all of us to support each other with great care and compassion.*

*This is the moment we are expected to be our best selves in harmony with the vision and mission of Railway H.S.School, Alipurduar to be men and women for and with others leading a life of patience, empathy and compassion. The virus has prompted all of us to sustain a heightened self-awareness. I am sure all of us have been observing social distancing, physical distancing and coming together on digital platforms for mutual morale boosting conversations and sharing. This is the best way to counter the pandemic.*

*‘Stay home - Stay safe’*

*Raj Kamal*

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