

Mahatma Education Society's Pillai College of Education and Research

Sector 8, New Panvel 410206

Webinar Series

The following Webinar sessions were conducted for the student teachers:

1. Ethical Teacher Behaviour Modifications for enhancing professionalism on 24th July 2020. The resource person for the session was Dr Anuradha Jaiswal, Academic Director, Gems group of schools, Nasik. The session was streamed live on



YouTube for the participants. Dr. Anuradha spoke on the various aspects to enhance professionalism. Her talk had immense insightful inputs on managing self and relations at school. She spoke on the various code of conduct for a teacher.

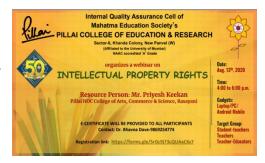
2. *Integrating soft skills in online teaching* on 31st
July 2020. The resource person for the session was
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Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari, Navi Mumbai
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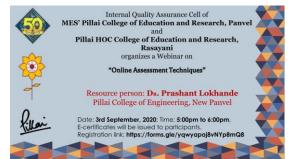
3. *Creating and editing video lessons* on 1st August 2020. The resource person was Ms. Neetu Pillai, Associate professor, Pillai College of Engineering. She explained the use of Open Broadcaster Software (OBS) a free and open-source software for video recording and livestreaming. This software is the need of the hour. Videos for teaching and learning form an important part in the online education process during pandemic. With the help of this software the students can make free videos for students to study.

4. *Intellectual Property Rights* on 13th August 2020. The resource person for the session was Mr. Priyesh Keenan, faculty, Pillai HOC College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Rasayani. He threw light on the various aspects of Intellectual Property Rights like: The meaning of Trademarks, Patents &



Copyrights, Fair Use guidelines in India, how can teachers get copyright for the materials and learning resources created by them, the process to be followed, and the laws related to IPR.

5. A webinar was organized by the Internal Quality Assessment Cell of MES' Pillai College of Education & Research, Panvel on 3rd September 2020 on "Online Assessment Techniques". The resource person was Dr. Prashant Lokhande. Assessment of students



seems to be most affected due to the online teaching-learning. Even though we have found ways of online teaching-learning assessment techniques have to be accepted and used effectively. Dr. Prashant demonstrated the use of KAHOOT, which enables a teacher to make assessment lively, engaging and helps him/her understand learning in students. The session was effective and engaging and was concluded by a Kahoot quiz for all the participants.

6. *Integrating Soft-Skills in Online Teaching* on 31st July 2020. The resource person for the session was Dr. Vandana Mahajani, Educator and Columnist, Vivekanand Kendra, Kanyakumari, Navi Mumbai. Dr. Mahajani started her session with grooming tips for



teachers of today in the global world which created a lot of interest among the participants. She spoke in length about the dressing style, hair, footwear and personal hygiene for teachers. The tips were for both physical classrooms as well as the ongoing online sessions teachers are engaged in now. Tips on personal hygiene and its impact on the personality of the teacher was discussed in detail. Many participants had interesting insights to share, and it was a well-received session. The next part of the session included another very important soft-skill very essential for teachers and that is the communication skill. She dealt upon the barriers of communication and each aspect was well connected with examples from everyday classroom situations and gave tips on how to remove these barriers that can come

between what the teacher wants to say and the students understand. There was a questionanswer session which saw lot of interesting and practical questions by the participants.

 Teaching for Perspective Change: Transformational Learning on 12th September 2020. Our expert for the session was Dr. Anne Grey, Professor, Faculty Chair, Concordia



University, Wisconsin. She shared how Transformational theory aids educators in understanding and developing the necessary skills and processes of critical self-reflection, which encourage them to challenge the status quo. Transformational theory aids educators in understanding and developing the necessary skills and processes of critical self-reflection, which encourage them to challenge the status quo. More than just a study of a unique, transitory movement in education, the session explored the hidden structure of meaning, how people learn, and how transformative learning leads to change at personal, classroom, organizational, and societal levels. It was a wonderful learning experience for all!!!

8. *Critical Thinking: Tools and Techniques for Teachers* on 26th September 2020. The resource person was Dr. Chetan Date, President,



Business Quality Systems, Tempe, Arizona. The session focussed on some of the tools and techniques that Dr. Date has found useful during his career in Aerospace industry and academia. Critical Thinking is a structured and disciplined process that enables collection, synthetization, analysis, and interpretation of information to make inferences, provide explanations, solve problems, and make decisions. Every human being thinks- thinking is a natural act. But most of the thinking is also ad-hoc and emotional. It is based on personal experiences, biases, beliefs, prejudices, and in many cases subject to human irrationality. Critical thinking, on the other hand, is deliberate, disciplined, structured, and self-guided. It challenges the status quo; it explores motives and reasons. The deliberations on these aspects were very useful for the teachers.

9. One Step at a Time:

Making the Switch

with a One Minute

Habit: A famous

quote by Fiona Apple

says, "Home is where



my habits have a habitat." As humanity grows and evolves, the impact of this evolution is seen and felt by not just those around us, but by nature and biodiversity as well. Most of us may think that our behaviour and action is too small for it to add to the bigger picture, but that's not the case. Even the smallest of our actions has a lasting impact on everything around us. To celebrate World Habitat Day, a webinar was organized by PCER Panvel in collaboration with PHCER Rasayani and Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC) to find 1-minute habit formation which can converse and preserve the habitat and environment on 15th October 2020. The theme was "One Habit. One Decision. One Change. Everyday.

"What is the worst that can happen if you do something positive? Just one thing. The net result will be something positive. Then if you multiply this by everyone, the consolidated effect is massive." This was the agenda of the webinar: to bring to our minds the various habits we can develop that can help bring about a positive impact.