**Announcement for English Essay Writing Project for Class V to VIII**

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, the schools have been closed for over two months now. This has severely disrupted the academic calendar of the schools and children have missed out on valuable learning time. In order to reduce the negative impact of school closure and to improve English Language skills, this platform is being created for children to express themselves creatively. The details regarding the English Essay Writing Project are as follows:

**Duration:** 12th May to 12th June, 2020

**Topic: Students may choose their own topics. The following are some examples of topics for each class.**

**Class V (a paragraph of minimum 100 words)**

1. Games I play with my friends
2. What I like most about my mother/father
3. My favourite story

**Class VI (one to two paragraphs of minimum 200 words)**

1. My favourite game
2. Cooking my favourite food with my father/mother
3. Why I like to read

**Class VII (three paragraphs of minimum 300 words)**

1. Students should not be allowed to play PUBG
2. Helping my parents with household chores
3. If I could invent a new toy

**Class VIII (three to four paragraphs of minimum 400 words)**

1. A personal habit I'd like to change
2. Should students get limited access to the internet?
3. What if I were a teacher?

**Awards and Certificates:**

1. Top five essays from each class will be awarded an excellence certificate and a cash prize.
2. Students writing more than 10 essays will receive participation certificates. The name of such students should be submitted to the details given below.
3. The three best essays from each class will be posted on the official Facebook Page of DoE.

**Important Instructions:**

1. Students should write their names, class and name of school at the end of the essay.
2. Submit your essays to the English Language Teacher of your class.
3. English Language Teachers of each school will select three best essays from each class and will be forwarded to the contacts given below:
4. TCV Schools: Mrs. Tenzin Pelmo, English Language Mentor

Email: tenzinpelmo@gmail.com

1. STSS Schools: Mrs. Tenzin Choedon, English Language Mentor

Email: stss.englishmentor@gmail.com

1. THF Schools: Ms. Sonam Zomkyi, English Essay Coordinator

Email: tenzomge@gmail.com

1. The English Language Mentors of each school system will forward five best essays from each class to the Department of Education, CTA.

**Last Date for Submission:** The essays should reach DoE on or before **12th June, 2020.**

Date: 11th May 2020 Secretary

 Department of Education

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