



G.D. GOENKA PUBLIC SCHOOL, SARITA VIHAR

PARENTING WORKSHOP

THEME: Parents' Enrichment Program

REPORT: Digital Parenting

DATE: Saturday, July 8, 2023

CONDUCTED BY: Mr. Joe Kenny (ZEEKO)

ATTENDED BY: Parents of students of I-XII

EVENT REPORT

Being a parent is no less than bliss; however, there can never be a more daunting task than to find a perfect way to parenting. Quoting, Hodding Carter – “Two great things you can give your children: one is roots, the other is wings.” And we believe this requires not just the parents but also the teachers' contribution.

Parents and Teachers of classes I - XII attended a workshop on Digital Parenting at

G.D. Goenka Public School, Sarita Vihar as part of the Parents' Enrichment Program.



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The word digital has engulfed our lives so much that technology and us have become inseparable. While we as equipped adults provide the best access to technology to our children, we fall short of preparedness to help them handle its adversities and challenges. We look for adequate guidance ourselves to guide our children to concerns around privacy and digital security.

To create this awareness and equip our parent community to support their children we invited Mr. Joe Kenny, an expert on Internet Safety, who hails from Ireland and has established a very successful company called Zeeko. Mr. Joe has also written a book on Internet Safety and published several papers. He has trained over 55,000 primary and secondary school students in internet safety and entrepreneurship skills.

He has surveyed over 91,000 students on their digital habits and conducted numerous seminars to create awareness amongst parents and students alike.



The school Principal, Mrs. Seema Sahay, felicitated Mr. Joe with a small token of appreciation and addressed the audience to set the tone of the day. Ms. Urvashi Sareen, the school counselor moderated the session and helped the parents understand the deeper meaning of digital parenting.

Mr. Joe's presentation was very well researched based on the surveys conducted and his experience on internet safety and what he spoke about was that the solution is not technological but lies in conversations between parents and their children. As long as elders are able to put things in perspective, children can grow on to become responsible adults. Using technology is not bad, however, making extreme choices that it turns into an addiction is risky. Therefore, we have to teach our children the right values to strike a balance and make informed choices.



With interactions and discussion, the parent – teacher community together felt empowered to take charge and help their children in this digital age to stay safe on the internet.

Parents shared an encouraging, positive feedback about the workshop and appreciated the school's effort in involving the parents in overall child development.

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