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THE ORCHID SCHOOL

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PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION- EXECUTIVE MEETING 2026-2027

Date: 10th October 2026
Venue: Conference Room

Time: 11:00 am

Agenda:

- Discussion on the upcoming academic session 2027-28
- Proposed Fee structure for the academic year 2027-28

Members Present:

School Representatives:

1. Ms. Namrata Majhail – Director-Principal,
2. Ms. Sonali Khambete– Vice Principal
3. Mr. Bhairavnath Godase – Chief Operation officer (Society)
4. Mr. Matin Shaikh – Admin Unit Head

Parents & Teacher representatives:

- Ms. Roshni Gupta - Lead parent
- Ms. Komal Pendhurnekar
- Mr. Aditya Ghotne
- Ms. Pankaj Sharma
- Mr. Jayash Jagtap
- Mr. Pravin Shinde
- Mr. Suvid Nadkarni
- Ms. Purva Gangrade
- Ms. Lekha Kulkarni
- Ms. Arti Singh
- Ms. Steffi Joseph
- Ms. Jacquelin Pawar
- Ms. Aparna Bapat
- Ms. Monika Gupte
- Ms. Rutika Bhatkhande
- Ms. Meenal Muley
- Ms. Bhagyashree Jadhav

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Minutes of the Meeting:

- **Welcome Address:** The Director-Principal, Ms. Namrata Majhail, welcomed all the members present at the Second EPTA Meeting and expressed her gratitude to the parents for their continued trust, support, and partnership with The Orchid School.
- **Agenda of the Meeting:** The agenda for the meeting was shared with all the members. The key items for discussion were:
 - Budget overview for AY 2026-27
 - Expenditure projections for AY 2026-27.
 - Proposed fee Proposal for AY 2027-28
- **Fee Fixation Act and Process:** The members were apprised of the provisions of the Fee Fixation Act and the procedure to be followed for fee fixation.
- **Rationale for Fee Revision:** Ms. Namrata Majhail presented the rationale for the proposed fee revision, taking into consideration the school's operational costs, academic quality standards, staff remuneration, infrastructure maintenance, and statutory compliance requirements. It was highlighted that the proposed fee structure aims to sustain the school's high standards of education while ensuring financial sustainability and keeping the fees affordable for parents.
- **Historical Perspective on Fee Revision:** The fee revisions undertaken over the past seven years were presented to the members to provide a historical perspective on the school's fee structure.
- **Proposed Income for AY 2026-27:** The projected income for AY 2026-27, based on fee receivables and excluding RTE reimbursements, was presented to the members. It was highlighted that the school had received approximately ₹4.02 crore less in the current academic year due to RTE-related provisions and compliance.
- **Expenditure Projections for AY 2026-27:** The proposed expenditure for AY 2026-27 was presented, based on actual expenditure incurred up to September 2026 and projected expenditure for the period from October 2026 to March 2027.
- **Projected Financial Deficit:** The members were apprised of the projected deficit of approximately ₹3.33 crore, calculated on the basis of the net income (excluding RTE reimbursements) and projected expenditure for AY 2026-27, with a permissible surplus of 15% taken into consideration.
- **Comparative Expenditure Analysis:** The proposed expenditure for AY 2026-27 was also presented with reference to the actual

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expenditure incurred during AY 2026–27, enabling the members to understand the projected financial requirements of the school.

- **Overview of Expenditure Heads:** The members were briefed on the major expenditure heads considered for the financial planning of AY 2027–28. These included employee costs, including staff fee waivers; repairs and maintenance; housekeeping and security; IT infrastructure and annual maintenance contracts; office administration and ERP systems; staff training and travel; infirmary; electricity; and teaching-learning materials, including textbooks and notebooks. Expenditure on paid programmes, field trips, curriculum enrichment activities etc.
- **Proposed Fee Structure:** The Director–Principal presented the proposal to adopt a **Progression based fee structure** for fee revision over **Class based Fee structure**. It was explained that this approach aims to make annual fee increases more consistent, predictable, and manageable for parents as students' progress from one class to the next.
- The proposed approach was discussed in the context of making the fees financially viable for parents and balancing the school's financial requirements with the objective of maintaining educational quality and ensuring greater predictability in fee progression for parents.
- Under the earlier class-wise, based fee structure, when a child moved from Grade IV to Grade V, the next year's fee was calculated by applying the annual increase to the current year's Grade V fee. As per the proposed student progression-based fee structure, the fee for that child entering Grade V will be calculated by applying the annual increase to the Grade IV fee paid by the child in the previous year.

Eg. Explanation of the Two Fee Calculation Methods:

Comparison	Earlier: Class-Based	Revised: student progression
Base used	Grade V fee: Rs. 1,99,000	Child's Grade IV fee: Rs. 1,83,500
12% calculated on	Rs. 1,99,000	Rs. 1,83,500
Increase amount	Rs. 23,880	Rs. 22,020
Grade V fee	Rs. 2,22,880	Rs. 2,05,520
Difference	—	Rs. 17,360 lower in this example

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- Director -Principal explained the following benefits related to adopting progression-based fee structure:
 - **Smoother progression:** It reduces the larger increase in the fee that arise when child crosses the existing class-band boundaries.
 - **Better financial planning:** It is pocket friendly for the parents it helps them to plan better financially.
 - **More consistent treatment:** The fee hike will be consistent through out irrespective of band change.
 - **Clearer communication:** The school can explain each child's previous fee, annual revision and new payable fee without any ambiguity.
 - To support the school's financial requirements and provide clarity for parents, school proposed PTA Committee's approval for a **12% annual fee increase for AY 2027-28 and AY 2028-29**. Each year's increase will be calculated on the respective previous year's fee.
 - Decision on Fee Revision for AY 2027-28 and AY 2028-29- EPTA members unanimously agreed to a 12% fee hike. Accordingly, the quorum approved a **12% fee increase for each of the academic years 2027-28 and 2028-29**.

Sr. No	Garde	2027-28 12%	Instalment No-I (40%)	Instalment No-II (20%)	Instalment No-III (20%)	Instalment No-VI (20%)
1	Nursery	1,44,000	57,600	28,800	28,800	28,800
2	Jr. Kg	1,44,000	57,600	28,800	28,800	28,800
3	Sr. Kg	1,56,000	62,400	31,200	31,200	31,200
4	I	2,05,500	82,200	41,100	41,100	41,100
5	II	2,05,500	82,200	41,100	41,100	41,100
6	III	2,05,500	82,200	41,100	41,100	41,100
7	IV	2,05,500	82,200	41,100	41,100	41,100
8	V	2,05,500	82,200	41,100	41,100	41,100
9	VI	2,23,000	89,200	44,600	44,600	44,600
10	VII	2,23,000	89,200	44,600	44,600	44,600
11	VIII	2,23,000	89,200	44,600	44,600	44,600
12	IX	2,40,500	96,200	48,100	48,100	48,100
13	X	2,40,500	96,200	48,100	48,100	48,100
14	XI	1,69,500	67,800	33,900	33,900	33,900
15	XII	1,54,000	61,600	30,800	30,800	30,800
For New Admissions One Time Admission Fee Rs. 75000/- (Non-Refundable)						

- It was stated that communicating the proposed fee revisions over a two-year period would enable parents to plan their

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financial commitments more effectively while supporting the school's educational objectives, operational requirements, and long-term financial sustainability.

- **Upcoming Admission Schedule**

The Director-Principal apprised the EPTA members of the upcoming admission schedule for Nursery, Class I, and Class XI.

- a. **Nursery and Class I Admissions**

Sibling Category: Online registration opens on 14th October 2026.

General Category: Online registration opens on 18th October 2026.

- b. **Class XI Admissions**

Online Registration: Opens on 14th October 2026.

Important School Updates

The Director-Principal shared the following updates and proposed initiatives with the EPTA representatives:

- **CBSE Affiliation and NABET Accreditation:** The school has received an extension of its CBSE affiliation until 2032 and is progressing towards NABET accreditation.
- **Founders' Day:** Founders' Day will henceforth be celebrated in October instead of August to ensure a more seamless academic schedule and minimise disruption to teaching and learning across all levels.
- **Summer Vacation:** The summer vacation will commence from the second week of May to accommodate the requirements arising from the two-board-examination system.
- **Commencement of Classes for Board Grades:** Classes for Grades IX, X, and XII will commence from mid-March to provide students with additional uninterrupted instructional time and strengthen academic preparation.
- **Auditorium Upgradation:** The school plans to upgrade the auditorium by installing a digital screen, replacing the carpets,

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repairing the broken chair armrests, and adding more microphones and stage lighting to enhance the overall experience during school events and performances.

- **In-house Sports Coaches:** The school is in the process of recruiting in-house sports coaches to improve coordination across sports teams and provide students with more consistent coaching and support.
- **Sports Group Size:** To ensure effective coaching, better supervision, and adequate participation, the number of students in each sports option will be capped at 50. This measure will be implemented for the upcoming Grade V and Grade VI cohorts.
- **Introduction of Sport Scholarship-** The school will introduce sports scholarships ranging from ₹25,000 to ₹1,00,000 for students who demonstrate exemplary performance in individual sports by winning at the zonal, state, national, and international levels, thereby recognising sporting excellence.
- **Parent Seating Area:** The school plans to develop a comfortable, weatherproof seating area for parents to improve their waiting experience on campus.
- **DPDP Compliance:** The school is progressing towards implementing the requirements of the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) framework from the upcoming academic year, with a focus on safeguarding the digital privacy of students and parents.
- **Centralised School Communication:** All official school communication will be routed through the Edunext platform. WhatsApp will no longer be used as an official channel for school communication.
- **Infrastructure Improvements and Learning Spaces:** The school will explore measures to minimise the use of basement spaces for

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academic activities. Proposed changes include shifting the computer laboratory to the second floor, installing a collapsible divider between the two art rooms, and undertaking additional infrastructure modifications to improve the utilisation and functionality of learning spaces.

Ms. Namrata Majhail thanked all the PTA members for being present for the meeting and helping to arrive on the decision unanimously.

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