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To

The Heads/Principals of the Schools affiliated to CBSE

**Subject: Launch of the CBSE Reading Mission** 

Stories and reading are an important part of a child's growth and development. Reading literacy is not only a foundation for achievement in other subject areas within the educational system but also a prerequisite for successful participation in most areas of adult life. The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 emphasizes the need and the importance of well-stocked school libraries to attain the goal of foundational literacy and numeracy for all children by the year 2025. It recommends making available quality children's literature to build a culture of reading across the country.

The Central Board of Secondary Education, committed to this goal, intends to promote Reading Literacy among the learners. The Board is partnering with Pratham Books' StoryWeaver and Central Square Foundation to launch a two-year *CBSE Reading Mission* on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2021 at 3:00 pm.

In line with recommendations of the NEP 2020, under this mission, the schools and teachers shall have access to a repository of quality English and Hindi children's storybooks and supplementary resources for <u>Classes I to VIII</u>. Besides this, the CBSE would be extending the CBSE Reading Challenge (English and Hindi), presently organized for students of classes VIII-X to students of classes VI-VII.

The details of the programme are as under:

Title: Launch of the CBSE Reading Mission along with Teachers' Webinar on Buildinga Culture for Reading in Schools

Date & Time: Monday, Sep 20 2021 | 3:00

PM - 4:30 PMYou Tube

*Link:* https://youtu.be/xpnXQ1AR4sc





School Heads are requested to attend the programme and disseminate the above information amongst teachers to ensure maximum participation.

The Reading Mission will help build a culture of reading and the wholesome development of students by enhancing their vocabulary, deriving connections between stories and their own lives, and exposing them to new ideas. We encourage all schools to participate actively and join CBSE in nurturing the next generation of readers and learners!

For any further query, you may send an email to Cbse.reading.mission@cbseshiksha.in

Dr. Joseph Emmanuel Director (Academics)

Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

- 1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18 Institutional Area, Shaheed JeetSingh Marg, New Delhi-110016
- 2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida 201309
- 3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110 054
- 4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160017
- 5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim –737101
- 6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar –791 111
- 7. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair 744101
- 8. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103,A&N Island
- 9. The Director, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector -3, Rohini, Delhi
- The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ,PO, New Delhi-110001
- 11. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDRC Building No.202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi Cantt-110010
- All Regional Directors/Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular toall the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective Regions







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