Teacher’s role in students development: What, How and Why?

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What is the goal of education?

Should enable children and young people to:
• be prepared for independent living;
• develop a healthy and positive disposition to life;
• contribute to their community and society;
• be helped to develop to their full potential;
• experience economic and environmental wellbeing;
• have their rights respected; and
• enjoy learning and achieving.

• How it is going to affect above if a student misses a class or don’t do homework?
• Will a teacher’s extreme reaction will affect the above goal?
Traditional perspective

- “Speak when you are spoken to!”
- “We know best”
- “Everything we do is for your own good”
- “You are too young to understand!”
Hear Them, Listen To Them

‘It is our view that the leaders and managers could learn much about the quality of their provision by listening more often and more carefully to what young people have to say’ – Chief Inspector, NI (2007)
What is the role of sports, music in child’s development?
Learning by doing
Every child is special

• Irrespective of their family condition
• Any child can become a great achiever in any field
Identify the person

Rajnikant

• Born in a very poor family
• Worked as Coolie, Carpenter and Bus Conductor
• Loved music, acting, playing
• One of the greatest superstar in film industry
• As a teacher, how to deal with such students in the class?
Identify the person

Sachin Tendulkar

- Academically very poor
- 10th class fail
- Sports (cricket) his passion
- Greatest batsman in the history of cricket
- As a teacher, how to deal with such students in the class?
Identify the person

Albert Einstein

- He failed in the general part of the examination, but obtained exceptional grades in physics and mathematics.
- Einstein clashed with school teachers; disliked teaching method.
- He wrote that the spirit of learning and creative thought were lost in strict rote learning in schools and colleges.
- No job after graduation.
- His name “Einstein” = “Genius”; Loved music.
- As a teacher, how to deal with such students in the class?
How teacher treat a student

- Shabbily dressed poor school student AND Neatly dressed wealthy student
- Do teacher’s treatment to both of the above student remains same?
- They are not treated equally
- But life’s game plan is different
- Not so meritorious student can also excels in life’s game
- A teacher should treat each and every student equally as it affects child’s development
How teacher’s treatment will change if child’s future is known

- A smart student, well dressed
- In future he will become a Don

- A poor student, shabbily dressed
- In future he will become like Rajnikant

- Will teacher’s behavior towards child change?
- Teacher/Society behaves on perception
- A teacher should treat students equally like parents irrespective of looks, status etc
Teacher’s unreasonable behavior effects child’s Psychology

Happy child at home when treated well in school

- She forgot to wear belt and white hairband
- Teacher threatened her with Rs 1000 fine, cancelled her sports and music classes
- In front of her class friends, teacher told her a bad girl.
- She cried, cried and cried at home
- She didn't took food that night
- She asked her parents not to send her school any more

Same child at home after teacher’s bad treatment at school
Is this action by teacher justify?

Student loses eye, severely beaten by teacher for a sip of water

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AMMONNEWS - Amal Ghabayen – Elementary school student Saleh Duweikat expressed his fear of returning to school, after losing his right eye when a teacher at his school hailed on him with beatings for entering the teacher's room to drink water.

Dewikat, the 11-year old sixth grader had lost his right eye Thursday after one of his teachers attacked him and slammed him into a closet for entering the teacher's room to drink from the water cooler at Imam Shafi'i Elementary School in Jabal Qusur in Amman.

- 10 hours operation
- Skull and facial bone fracture
- In details of the beating incident, the sixth grader had walked into the teacher's hall to drink from the water cooler there. Without any prior warning, one teacher hailed on Duweikat assaulting him and slammed the student's face into a closet door, causing three fractures in facial bones and displacing the eye from its base.
Many cases of teacher’s brutal attack reported every year

- Let us not play with their life
- It’s their life, we don’t have rights to destroy it.
- All cannot be good in studies, in doing homework
- Some can be scientist, singer, doctor, cricketer etc.
- Let us help them not to fail in school, but failing their life is criminal
Life is beautiful

- Why not make their life beautiful
- Let us make them learn some life skills: sports, music, innovator, singer etc.
- It not this what education meant for?
Role of music on children's development

Language and Linguistic Development

• Research suggest relationship between musical training and linguistic development.
• Scientist examined phonological awareness, early reading skills, and music perception skills in 100 children between the ages of 4-5 years.
• The children were given experiences with a set of musical tasks that focused on rhythm, melody, and chord progression.
• They were then tested on phonological awareness and reading skills.
• Anvari et al. (2002) found that music skills were correlated with phonological awareness and early reading skills.
• Skill in music perception gives children an auditory awareness that helps when it came to reading.
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Language and Linguistic Development

• Another group of researchers pursued a similar question in a more experimental manner and found that training in music helps build skills important to reading.
• Moreno, Marques, Santos, Santos, Castro, and Besson (2009) conducted a longitudinal experiment involving 32 non-musician 8-year old Portuguese children.

• Children who had no musical training were tested for neuropsychological assessments and pitch discriminations before they began music instruction.
• The children were then given 6-months of musical instruction, and then were tested on the same previous neuropsychological assessments and pitch discrimination tasks.
• Results showed that even a little bit of musical training can enhance reading skills as well as pitch.
• Enhanced listening skills help develop linguistic organization.
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Academic Achievement

• Southgate and Roscigno (2009) examined the relationship between music training and academic achievement in schools among children and adolescents 13-17 years old.
• In order to measure this, they looked at music participation in three separate contexts: in school, outside of school, and parent involvement in the form of concert attendance.
• The researchers found that music involvement had a positive association with grades and math and reading scores.
• What was concluded was that music is meaningful not as predictor of achievement but as a medium to support children's achievement.
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Memory

• While it may be argued that musicians have an advantage over non-musicians in academic achievement, studies have shown that they do have an advantage when it comes to long-term verbal memory.
• Research suggest that musicians perform better on verbal working memory tasks as well as verbal long-term memory tasks than non-musicians.
• This may be because musicians have a more developed verbal rehearsal mechanism.
Role of music on children's development

“Research conclude the importance of music involvement in children’s life to help develop memory, perception, language, vocabulary, spoken skills, and reading skills”
Role of Sports

- Physical fitness
- Psychological wellbeing
- Social relationships
- Motivation and engagement
- Sports as career
Concluding thoughts

- Teacher play a significant role in students overall development.
- Teachers every good or bad action influences students mind.
- Each subject play only a part in overall development.
- Let us be a role model for the students.
- Their life and career depend on us, let us help them reshaping it.