

## FACE TO FACE CLASSES: SUNSHINE DURING NIGHTMARES

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After facing the worst scenario during the pandemic, schooling is the first one affected by the outbreak. Students were forced to stop going to school to avoid being infected by the virus. Learning was continued in every home with the guidance of the parents as the teachers temporarily. Children were advised to stay home and were not allowed to go outside. Their right to play and enjoy outdoor were all gone. But still, it is not a hindrance to continue learning even in the distant.

It lasted for more than two years until the government launched the face to face classes again although the virus is still around. Some precautions were suggested and all health protocols were required. Preparation was not that easy for the teachers especially because the health of the students is at risk if the schools were not prepared and handled very carefully. From the seating arrangements, that is the distance between each student, the washing areas and other necessary activities such as orienting the parents of the children who will join the face to face classes up to the important things parents need to provide for the safety of their children like facemasks and alcohol, all these were being carried on by the teachers and administrations.

Welcoming the students for the first time in school after the distant learning, was very exciting and interesting because happiness and excitement were also seen in everyone's face because at last, schools were open again. Limited number of students can only join the session while others, especially those who have comorbidity, continued the distant learning to avoid exposure to the danger of being infected by the virus.

It seems that although Covid-19 is still roaming around, students really enjoyed their comeback to school which they were longing for in almost two years of imprisonment on their own house. Hope arises on them that the soonest possible time, this pandemic will end and learning will be back as usual.

Students prefer to go to school and learn face to face because they are more benefited to interact with their fellow students and ensure better understanding of the lessons and give them the chance to bond with each other. Besides, students feel less distracted in school than at home and will be able to understand the lesson very well especially during discussions and exchanging thoughts and ideas with the teachers and other classmates.

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