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Maya and the Mind: Shaping Tomorrow's Learners Today!

The impressive growth of Artificial intelligence has made inroads in almost all sectors and is reshaping the work culture in an astonishingly short span. Since time-immemorial, education has moulded the future generations and as expected has also embraced AI. In fact AI is a result of Education and Innovation.

Education that shapes future generations is undoubtedly matching the pace and spearheading monumental shifts by providing personalised learning, dexterously training individuals in critical soft skills, and enabling them to carve their path amidst the complexities of a Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, and Ambiguous (VUCA) world.

The Kalorex Group is rapidly embracing AI and is setting the stage for a time of unprecedented academic success by tailoring academic paths to meet the needs of each student. It is important to find the right balance between being versatile and acquiring important human skills in order to be successful in this technology-driven 21st century.

● INDIA'S FIRST AI TEACHER MAYA TEACHING AI

Pioneering an "AI-teaching AI programme", Maya—an AI-powered avatar of myself—is a symbol of our commitment to innovation in education. Maya is breaking down geographical boundaries by providing students with subject matter expertise through its intelligence, interactivity, and intuitiveness. Maya has empowered more than 10,725 students by making education more engaging, accessible and personalised. Maya is not



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a replacement for a human teacher but plays the role of an empowering co-teacher. Now Maya presents first-of-its-kind AI curriculum for classes 1 to 12, that provides a holistic view of AI in an engaging, personalised, and profoundly relevant manner, using animated modules, storytelling, and real-world examples. The USP of Maya is that once deployed, it can simultaneously teach thousands of classrooms, ensuring consistent quality and 24/7 availability. Besides, students are developing the ability to think like AI innovators. MAYA has already reached 33 cities in India & 8 international cities, connected with more than 19,400 parents, and engaged with over 18,000 principals and teachers the world over.

● LIVING IN A VUCA WORLD

Anxiety, stress, doubt, fear, depression and many other conditions are rampant in the VUCA world. The only way forward is to embrace VUCA traits. The Kalorex Group places immense emphasis on SEL (Social-Emotional Learning) for children across all age groups to achieve social and emotional stability. Even the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 mentions that academic performance has a direct connection to mental health and emotional well-being.



lying, excuses, impulsive behaviour, self-doubt, mind-body connection, jealousy, aggression, mindfulness, personal growth, social responsibility, anger management, bullying, crisis coping, and many more were included in VUCA skills to enable young adults to make informed choices. It is crystal clear that studying this SEL curriculum has a positive impact on children who learn to take VUCA steps while dealing with themselves, their families, and relationships, as well as the VUCA world, as they grow stronger by acquiring skills.

● THRIVING AND IMPACTFUL ACADEMIC SUCCESS

As Bruce Lee said, "Preparation for tomorrow is hard work today." Ours is a work in progress, but the fantastic results in the Central Board for Secondary Education, class XII and X examinations 2025 are a testimony to the fact that our diligent efforts are in the right direction. Ishani Debnath, a class XII student, clinched the top spot across India and emerged as the CBSE Class XII Humanities Topper globally by scoring a perfect score of 100 %, which means 100 out of 100 in every subject. At the same time, Priyesh Jha emerged as Class X City Topper by scoring 99.4%. The success saga did not stop here. Nirupa Gorad, daughter of a farm labourer and an inmate of our Visamo Kids shelter home, scored an impressive 91% in the Class 12 Humanities stream. She achieved an astounding milestone by being selected for admission to the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) and the National Institute of Design (NID), two of the most prestigious design institutions in the country.

A significant shift in the attitude of young learners has begun, and all of them are moving forward with confidence to excel in all spheres of life. My resolve to contribute to this transformation has only intensified, propelling my efforts with greater vigour than ever before.

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