



School reopening planned for Monday 1st February

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Bangkok Metropolitan Authority, Ministry of Education and other authorities now regard it as sufficiently safe as to allow for the reopening of schools on Monday 1st February. We have been planning for this eventuality and have combined our own plans with the requirements from these authorities.

This document helps to explain what is required and how we can go about allowing children back to school. We are able to reopen the school on **Monday 1st February**.

This is the first of a number of communications about a return to school and age-specific instructions will be sent to you from the Heads of Primary and Secondary.

Please be vigilant about these communications and take careful note of the contents.

Regent's return to school

Early Years will be split into the two groups created in January. Original Term 2 (OT2) that have been online throughout January and Alternative Term 2 (AT2) that will have a different Term 2 pattern and holidays. OT2 pupils will finish at 2pm each day and AT2 pupils will finish at 2:45pm each day. All EY children must be collected by vehicle and not on foot as we would like to avoid groups gathering at the school.

Primary (Years 1 to 6)

In order to reduce the numbers of children waiting for collection, collection in Primary will be staggered. Y1-3 should be collected at 2:15pm and children in Y4-6 should be collected at 2:35pm. If there are siblings in two different phases then they can be collected together.

Secondary (Years 7 to 13)

Year 7 to Year 13 arrival and departure times will be as normal. Minimising infection is our priority as we return to school. School lunch will be provided following strict guidelines including social distancing. Food deliveries are not permitted and delivery drivers will be turned away.

Before we return to school

1. Before any child is allowed back on campus we are obliged to obtain family health and travelling history for the past 14 days. A survey link is here shorturl.at/wCGT3 and this must be completed as soon as possible and no later than **Thursday 28th January**.

Children cannot attend until the survey is completed and the details checked.



2. We have rearranged the school teaching rooms and communal areas to allow for the keeping of strict social distancing similar to August 2020. Clear signs and direction arrows will help students navigate the school safely.
3. Staff have received training about observing COVID-19 symptoms and we will continue our programme of educating all students about the disease and how to prevent it.
4. Playground equipment will remain closed.
5. Information about boarding will be sent out in a separate document.

In the morning

6. Children should not arrive on campus before 7:30am. Parents must check their child's temperature before leaving home. If children display a temperature on or above 37.5 degree Celsius, they must not come to school.
7. Parents are not allowed out of their cars at pick up/drop off or to walk onto the campus. Visits are allowed only with prior agreement and for an agreed appointment with the Head of Primary, Head of Secondary or the Principal.

In school

8. Students, staff, all other school personnel or anyone contacting the school must wear a face mask or face shield while on campus. A mask must be worn at all times in all communal areas. All students must bring their own masks and face shields. Bringing at least one spare mask is recommended.
9. Students and staff must remain at least 1 metre apart at all times. Hopefully 1.5m apart wherever possible
10. The school will maintain efficient and consistent cleaning and disinfecting every day. In addition to the regular cleaning routines there will be cleaning equipment in every classroom.
11. There will be screening and temperature checks of everyone coming onto campus. Anyone showing signs of a fever of 37.5 degree Celsius or more and/or displaying signs of respiratory symptoms such as cough, sneezing or runny nose will not be permitted to enter the school.
12. Hand washing will be required throughout the day and alcohol-based hand rubs will be available in all areas.
13. Students must not share any items and must bring their own stationery to school.
14. All after school activities, clubs and extra lessons are cancelled for the next two weeks.



15. There will be no line ups, Assemblies or other large gatherings.
16. All sports involving close contact including swimming and all team sports are cancelled.
17. Nursing support will be available at all times in the Primary and Secondary schools.
18. We will continue to provide safe drinking water. Students should bring in their own water bottles.

End of the School Day

19. Students must be picked up immediately and promptly at the end of school day. Secondary students and parents use sms/LINE to ensure quick and smooth pick-up.

Stay safe!

Regards,

Martyn Smith,
Principal.