



25 May 2020

Dear ISP parents,

Thank you for your continued support during the campus closure. In preparation for a possible return to school in June, please find below information on the planned blended learning as well as the health and safety protocol in accordance with French government directives. This protocol is subject to any change in French government regulations.

### **Blended Learning**

In order to accompany all students in their learning, we will propose a blended learning in the event of the reopening of school. For those students choosing to return to school, we will be welcoming the students on a modified timetable with a blend of classroom and online learning. Those students remaining home will be able to follow their classes through assignments and resources provided on Managebac as well as access the live classes virtually. As soon as we have clarification on whether we will be allowed to welcome students in June and which year groups will be implicated, we will be able to send you the modified timetable for all students. There will be no RSIA activities during this period.

### **School Health and Safety Procedures**

#### **Before arriving at school:**

- Parents are required to keep their child home should he/she be exhibiting any symptoms of illness including any symptoms of Covid-19 (respiratory difficulties, muscle ache, loss of taste and smell, digestive issues, with or without fever, etc.)
- Parents are required to keep their child home unless they are fever-free (below 37,8°C/100°F), without use of fever/symptom-reducing medicine.



- Parents are required to keep their child home if they or a member of their family have been in contact with someone having or having had Covid-19.
- Students and staff will have their temperature taken by a frontal thermometer upon arrival to school before entering the building. When taking the temperature of students and staff, no records will be taken of this data.
- In the event of a fever or onset of symptoms upon arrival to school, the student will remain outside the school building and the parents will be contacted to pick up their child.
- In the event of students exhibiting symptoms or having a fever during the school day, the student will be isolated and parents will be contacted to immediately pick up their child. The student must remain home for a minimum of 48 hours and can only return to school with a medical certificate clearing their safe return.
- In the case of a student being positively diagnosed with Covid-19, the school will contact the education and health authorities and follow their procedures.
- Students must bring their own material to school. Students cannot share any school supplies, such as pens, pencils, calculators, paper books.  
  
Students should bring in packs of single-use tissues.



- Students will not have access to the lockers. Students will be asked to empty their lockers of all personal belongings. Time will be allotted for students to do this, one by one.
- For computer use at school, parents are encouraged to send their child with their personal computer for MYP 1-3 but the school will provide designated computers for those classes, assigned to individual students for the duration of the school return. MYP 1-3 parents will be asked by survey to indicate if they will be providing a computer from home. Personal computers are required as usual for MYP 4, MYP 5 and DP1 and no school computer may be borrowed for these year groups.
- There is no uniform required during this period, though students must follow the Ermitage Casual Friday Dress Code. Knee length shorts and sneakers will be acceptable.

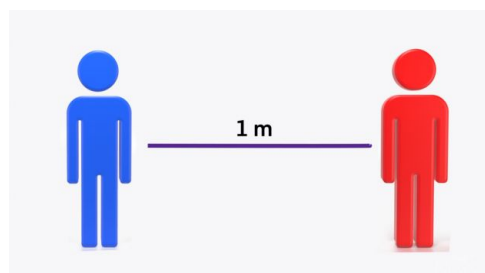
**Arrival:**

- Arrival times will be modified to accommodate a staggered passage into and out of school. Signage will be placed on the floors to facilitate this.
- We ask that parents not congregate in front of the school. Please note that only students are allowed on campus. For any concern, parents may call or request an online meeting but will not be allowed to enter the school buildings.



### **Health and Safety during the school day:**

- All students and faculty must wear masks at all times. Ermitage will provide masks to students who do not arrive wearing them. Masks must be changed after 4 hours of use.
- Students must wash their hands with soap and water or hydroalcoholic gel for 30 seconds at the following times:
  - upon arrival to school
  - upon entrance into class
  - after each break
  - after each visit to the restrooms
  - before lunch
  - after lunch
  - upon arrival to school after lunch
  - before leaving school
- Social distancing will be strictly enforced with one meter between students at all times- upon arrival, in the common areas, in the classroom, during breaks and PE.





- Students will remain in one classroom, assigned to one desk for the entirety of the school day. Students will only be allowed to leave their desk after asking permission from their teacher. The classrooms have been measured and accommodate the number of students whose parents have indicated their return, respecting 4 sq. meters per student.
- Student movement will be coordinated to avoid crossing other groups of students in staircases, hallways and other common areas. Signage will be placed on the floors to facilitate this.
- Breaks will be taken in small groups under strict supervision, with mandatory social distancing. They will be staggered to ensure that students do not exchange or cross each other.
- Lunch times will be staggered. Boxed lunches will be provided for canteen students. Canteen and Lunchbox students will eat supervised in small groups in the Sully garden, at the 46 picnic tables or in the Gym if there is inclement weather. Students will be assigned a specific area for their lunch for the entirety of the period. All students not signed up for the canteen or lunch box must leave the premises during the lunch period and will be allowed back for their next class. Students will not be able to use any microwaves or teapots to heat water or food.



- On days when sport classes are scheduled, students will need to come dressed in their PHE kit. Sports classes will be held taking into account social distancing. No shared equipment will be used.
- Any library books already loaned out must remain in the possession of students. They will be cleaned and stored for 2 weeks before being reshelfed for access by other students.

### **Dismissal**

- All students will be dismissed after their last class of the day. Students must leave the school vicinity immediately and are asked not to congregate around the school area.

### **Cleaning and Disinfection of School buildings**

- The school buildings have been disinfected by an outside service, using hospital grade disinfectants (such as Primactyl Spray)
- The daily cleaning and disinfection of classrooms will be managed by the Ermitage buildings and maintenance department with a designated staff member in charge of cleaning for that building. All cleaning staff are equipped with masks and gloves.
- Facilities will be cleaned throughout the school day with emphasis on high contact areas - banisters, toilets, taps, door handles etc. Bathrooms will be



cleaned after each break. All bins will be emptied at this time. Classrooms will be aired thoroughly after each cleaning.

- If the classrooms are used by different year groups in the morning and afternoon, the classroom will be thoroughly disinfected.
- All picnic tables, tables and chairs will be cleaned after lunch.
- All classrooms will be thoroughly disinfected and aired at the end of each school day.

Warm regards,

The ISP Team



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