

Pretoria, 25th June 2020

Dear Primary School Parents

We are pleased to inform you about the integration plan for our Primary School Learners. We still have to comply with a lot of regulations set out by the South African Department of Education and the South African Department of Health. Please understand, that it may happen that we have to revise and adapt our plan should external requirements change.



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Date	Grade
21 - 24 July	Grade 4
27 - 31 July	Grades 1 and 3
3 - 7 August	Vorschule (Grade R) and Grade 2
11 - 14 August	Grades 1, 3 and 4
17 - 21 August	Vorschule (Grade R), Grade 2 and 4
24 - 28 August	Grades 1, 2, 3 and 4
31 August - 4 September	Vorschule (Grade R) to Grade 4

On the first day, returning back to school, every primary school learner will receive a DSP baseball cap with an attached visor, after successfully passing the temperature check. In addition to the visor cap, the learners also need their own mask, buff or scarf to be able to cover their mouths if speaking to learners shorter than themselves. Wearing the visor cap (and possibly the mask) is mandatory both in the classroom and outdoors.

Important: The visor cap is adjustable and available in two different sizes. Please inform Mrs de Villiers (devilliers@dsp.gp.school.za) no later than Monday 29 June 2020 if your child's head circumference is bigger than 55cm.

As you all know, we wash our hands very often in primary school. We please request that every learner brings their own small, freshly washed towel to school every day. Towels may not be shared. The towel will hang on a hook at every learner's school desk.

Please make sure that your child wears clean clothes every day. If this is not always possible with school uniform, they may also come to school in civvies.

Drop-off and start of lessons

Access to the school premises is only permitted for DSP staff and learners. Please bring your children to school between 7.15 a.m. and 7.45 a.m. Please plan for waiting time because of the following procedure:

- You will drive into the "Oktoberfest parking area" through the marked rows.
- The learners can only get out of the car if they wear a mask and their temperature has been checked by our staff.
- If the temperature is 37.5°C or higher, we cannot allow the learner access to the school premises.
- If your child uses private bus or taxi transport to come to school, we ask that you ensure that it complies with the regulations of the Department of Health. In this case we would like to point out that you are responsible for your child. Should your child not be allowed into school due to fever or other COVID-19 symptoms, you have to ensure transportation back home.
- The learners will enter the school premises on foot through the side entrance at the ticket container.
- The learners will be accompanied by a staff member to the wash basins that have been installed in the primary school area. There they will wash their hands under supervision.
- From there the learners will then go directly into their classrooms.

Lessons and timetable:

The allocated primary school classrooms remain the same as before. The tables have been placed at the prescribed distance of at least 1m. All the classrooms have been equipped with hand sanitiser and they will be thoroughly cleaned with a fog machine. Daily cleaning will be done at regular intervals. Thorough cleaning takes place after each school day.

The subject teacher will be in the classroom from 7.30 a.m. Lessons will begin at 8.00 a.m. All lessons have been moved up by 30 minutes.

There will be changes in the timetable because

- there will be no sport lessons, no profile subject and no subject of special interest ("Neigungsfach").
- teachers who belong to a "risk group", will not be to be at school for contact lessons.

As soon as the changed timetables are ready, you will receive the information via the class teacher.



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We expect that, at home, school books and pens are regularly wiped off and school bags and the content thereof are cleaned on a regular basis too. Please ensure that your child's stationery is complete every day as they will not be allowed to share any of it.

Breaks:

Each individual grade has been assigned a special zone near their classroom, where they can spend breaks. All washbasins in the ablutions are equipped with taps that do not have to be touched with hands.

The supervising teachers in the different break zones and at the ablution facilities will check that the safety regulations and social distancing rules are adhered to.

Please remember that the Tuck Shop will be closed and you are responsible for your child's lunch box. Make sure that you give your child / children sufficient drinking water and food. We ask you please to remind your children of the hygiene regulations regarding food.

Collection:

Lessons will end at 12.35 p.m. for all primary school learners. Please pick your child / children up on time from the side entrance at the "Oktoberfest parking". All learners have to be collected by 1:00 p.m. After 1:00 p.m., learners will have to remain outside the entrance gate and the responsibility for that learner, falls upon the parents or legal guardians. The Aftercare Centre ("Tagesheim") remains closed for the time being.

- The teacher of the last lesson, will bring the class to the respective assembly point, near the side entrance.
- You will drive into the "Oktoberfest parking area" to pick up your child / children.
- The child / children will leave the school premises, on foot, through the side gate and get into your car.

Sickbay:

The sickbay that was based in our administration office has temporarily been moved to the interns' residents. The learners will be informed by the teachers of this new regulation. The path from the side gate to the sickbay is clearly indicated so that if parents have to pick up their child they can go there without having to go through to reception first. There is a medically trained staff member on duty from 8 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Depending on the



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degree of injury or medical care that is needed, we have organised teachers who can look after the children or accompany them directly to the sickroom.

The direct route for the ambulance is secured and in extreme emergencies even a helicopter can land in the immediate vicinity. It is extremely important that your children have a valid student ID card with them with your current telephone numbers and medical aid information. This will enable quick communication between the primary caregiver and the relevant people or entities.

The Primary School teachers are so looking forward to welcoming the learners back and being able to teach them again at the DSP.

If your child / children belong to a "risk group" or are currently not in South Africa please inform your class teacher.

If your child / children are not returning to school for contact time, for any other reason than being part of a "risk group" please write an e-mail to Mrs. Schilling (German speaking classes) or Mrs. de Villiers (English speaking classes).

Stay healthy and please remember to immediately inform us of any health-related changes in your family that could have an impact on the safety of our school community.



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