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Dear Parent,

I hope that you are healthy, keeping safe and of good spirit.
As we find ourselves in ever more unsure and stressful times I pray God's favour over your family.

After the Department of Education's announcement I would like to confirm some information and the dates students will be allowed to return to school.

Important Dates

The June/July and September school holidays have been scrapped and schools will close for the academic year in mid-December. This means we have an additional 6 weeks to make up for lost academic time and with teachers being in class until 15:00 daily, I am confident that we will be able to complete 2020 as required.

Teachers will be allowed to return to school from 18 May.
Students will be allowed to return to school by grade on the following dates:

- 1 June – Grades 7 and 12
- 15 June – Grades 6 and 11
- 29 June – Grades 5 and 10
- 20 July – Grades 4 and 9
- 10 August – Grades 3 and 8
- 31 August – Grades 1 and 2
- 21 September – Grade R

It is important to keep in mind that these dates might again change depending on the pandemic.

School Fees

I have received a couple of emails from parents experiencing financial challenges and requesting assistance in the form of discounted school fees or alternative support.

We have registered all of the ZCS staff under the UIF claims benefit and we are eagerly awaiting a payment from them. This entire payment will be converted into a percentage discount to be added to the school accounts, estimated at 25%. Unfortunately, as yet, I cannot confirm how much this will be as we have not received confirmation of the payment instruction.

For now, you have still been charged the full school fees for May as the school's financial responsibilities still needs to be honoured

Furthermore, I would also like to request that, should you not need the discount, or be in the position to keep paying your school fees without the discount, please let me know in order for me to apply your discount elsewhere, where much needed.

Additional Information

We have been awaiting our PACE order for quite some time and hopefully we will receive delivery within the next few days. When we have received our order, we will be making the books available to our students. Parents will be welcome to collect these books in order for students to work from home. Students will also have access to contact their teachers should they need help or make an appointment to come write a test. More information to follow as soon as we receive our order.

Please remember that facemasks are compulsory for all students and visitors to the school.

Stay blessed!