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Dear Parent,

In writing this letter today, I am happy and very confident that we are ready and prepared to receive our students on Monday.

I fully understand that some parents might be a little anxious, but I can assure you that we are doing everything humanly possible to have and keep our school germ and virus free.

Every inch of our school has been cleaned, our teachers have prepared their classrooms and all staff members are trained with the necessary procedures to keep our school grounds a safe clean environment.

Please take note of the following:

Masks and Face Shields

- Please note that Face Shields only, are not sufficient. Should you wish for your child to wear a Face Shield, they will have to wear a mask as well.
- Students will be permitted to remove their masks and/or face shields while they are seated in their offices. Should they need to get up, they will have to put the mask on first.

School Uniform

Students are to wear the winter school uniform.

Due to a shortage of certain school uniform items, the school Tracksuit will form part of the School Uniform.

Afterschool and Extramural Activities

- Aftercare will remain closed until further notice. The Department of Social Development must first announce a date before we will be allowed to open.
- No sporting activities are allowed after school on the school premises.
- We have also suspended the supplementary curriculum such as Computer class, Art class and PT until further notice. This time will be spent in class, working on the core curriculum.
- Please ensure you pick-up your child(ren) before 15:00. No one will be allowed on the school property after 15:00.

Preparing my child:

- Speak to your child and assure them they will be safe.
- Explain to them why they cannot greet a friend by hugging anymore.
- Explain to them why they cannot share stationery, food and other things anymore.
- Explain to them why they will not be allowed to play with balls or any other equipment.
- Please ask them to wash their hands and sanitize regularly.

Teachers will also be explaining this to them, but we need them to hear it from you as well.

PS: You are **ALWAYS** welcome to send extra sanitizer to school.

When does my child attend school:

- Each classroom's students have been divided into 3 groups, with the exception of the Grade 10-12 students. Grade 10-12 students may attend school daily as from Monday, 1 June. The division was done purely based on where students currently sits.
- The 3 groups will alternate days in order for each student to have a full school day, every third day.

Attached please find "Class List Groups" as well as "COVID Calendar 2020" indicating the student names divided into Groups as well as the active school days per Group for the rest of 2020.

- Normal school hours will be 07:30 – 14:00 daily. Gates will open at 07:00, unfortunately not earlier. Please ensure pick-up before 15:00.

When must my child stay at home?

Every student should be kept at home when he/she presents any of the following COVID-19 symptoms:

Typical COVID-19 Symptoms	YES / NO
Fever	
Cough	
Bloodshot or red eyes	
Difficulty in breathing	
Body pain	
Physical weakness and fatigue	
Loss of taste or smell	
Nausea	
Vomiting	

What happens when my child arrives at school?

- You will be met by a teacher in the parking area drive-through; please wear a mask and remain inside your vehicle.
 - A medical screening of the student will take place. This means:
 - Taking the temperature of the student with an appropriate instrument;
 - Completing a questionnaire that may include the symptoms the student could be presenting.
 - Supervision and monitoring of physical distancing of at least one-and-a-half metre between students.
- Please be patient in the drive-through, it might take a minute or two longer than usual...*

What happens when a student presents typical Covid-19 symptoms?

- The student will be denied access to the school premises and the parent / guardian will be required to return the student to their home.
- Should the student be at school when he / she presents Covid19 symptoms, he / she will be isolated to prevent any danger to any other students or to members of staff.
- The parents / guardians of the student will immediately be informed of the situation.
- If the student is not wearing a face mask, he / she will be issued with one at a cost of R50.
- The school will inform the appropriate health official or contact the COVID help line at 0800-02-9999.

Schoolwork, what can my child do at home?

- Students are supposed to do a mere 3-4 pages per book daily. The teachers will measure their workload regularly and let you know should we adjust the tempo.
- Students may work over score strips or skip certain parts of the work they don't understand.
- Check-ups and Self Tests may be done at home; only PACE Tests MUST be done at school.

Please remember that work done correctly, but slower the first time round, is better than rushing and having to fix or redo afterwards.

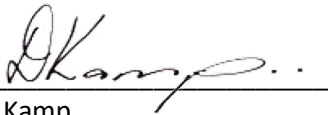
We also need to remember that it is a collective responsibility of keeping a social distance and sanitizing regularly. If we do this at school and you at home, we decrease the possibility of infection drastically. Thank you that we can rely on your cooperation.

¹⁰So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

¹³For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand
and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 41:10,13

Regards

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