The British School



Caroline Drumm Principal P.O. Box 566, Jhamsikhel, Patan Kathmandu, Nepal

11th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Updated Campus Access (Secondary School)

As per the recent communication from our Principal, Ms. Caro Drumm, we will be able to further our campus access provision to students as of next week. In line with the directives provided by the MoEST and other agencies, we will be allowing all students (Y7-13) to attend school on a daily basis from Monday, February 14th. We will be taking full advantage of this increased provision. Having students on campus every day will enable us to enhance your child's learning experience and academic progress, as well as their social and emotional wellbeing.

Your child should **arrive at school each day by 8.15am** so that they can register and interact with their mentor. Students will need to arrive prepared with all learning resources they need for the day, including PE kit. In addition, students should bring snacks, a packed lunch and a full bottle of water (minimum 1L). Our food caterers will be operating and parents will need to place advanced orders should they choose to use this service (the menu and ordering guidance have been included in this week's newsletter). Students will be **departing school at 3.25pm**. Should your child be attending an after-school academic support session (3.30-4.30pm), separate communication will be sent to you and your child by the relevant subject teacher.

We are pleased to announce that our **school's transport service will be running** with appropriate mitigation in place to manage the risk of Covid transmission. The transportation department shall contact the parents who had opted for the service previously to confirm if they will be using this service again, and the appropriate pick up times for their child/children. Please write to bus@tbs.edu.np should you have any further queries.

Our primary mode of teaching will be face-to-face, on campus learning and we encourage all students to attend campus each day to maximise their learning opportunities. However, students should remain at home if they display any covid-like symptoms and parents need to contact our school nurses for further guidance (nurse@tbs.edu.np). We are aware that there are other factors that may impact your child's ability to access our campus. A summary of parent guidance has been outlined below:

- For one-off incidents (such as illness or displaying mild covid-like symptoms), please email
 the school by 8.15am on the day so that we are aware. Assuming that your child is fit for
 learning, they will be able to access an online provision which may include live streaming
 into lessons if available in that subject.
- If your child has been impacted by Covid (eg. a close contact to a positive case), please keep your child at home and email our <u>Covid Management Team</u> who will reply to you with the appropriate guidance.

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 For extended absence from campus, please contact your child's Head of Key Stage to discuss your individual circumstances so that the appropriate support can be confirmed.

Key Stage 3 - Mr. Matthew Randall (mrandall@tbs.edu.np)

Key Stage 4 - Ms. Kate Middlebrook (kmiddlebrook@tbs.edu.np)

Key Stage 5 - Ms. Linda Grieve (Igreive@tbs.edu.np)

Students accessing online learning must register with their mentor every morning. Students should arrive at their online registration by 8.20am, prepared for their daily lessons. All online learning resources will have been posted on the relevant Google Classroom and will be available for them to access. Where possible, teachers will offer hybrid lessons which allow students to join live lessons. Where this is not possible, alternative learning resources will be placed on the subject's Google Classroom and your child will be able to complete all learning activities from home.

Your child's wellbeing is our top priority. In order to keep our community safe, we expect the highest standards in terms of social distancing, sanitising and mask-wearing. As a reminder, staff and students should normally wear masks at all times on campus when they are within 2m of any other person (and at all times in lessons) and should not be within 1m of anyone else whenever possible. Break times and lunchtimes are also key times when good practice must be maintained. As always, we expect our students to follow these safety guidelines whilst on campus. In addition, we ask that students acknowledge their individual responsibility to the health of our community and aim to follow these guidelines as much as possible in their personal lives, giving careful consideration to interactions outside of school, to minimise the risk to both self and others. We also ask that they take a weekly antigen test every Monday morning before coming to school, and log the results here. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this, please let me know.

Yours Sincerely

Mr. Rohan Jayatilake

Deputy Head (Secondary)

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