



12th June 2020

MIGS/ADM/T3/PRC/WS/PS/2020-0217

Dear Parents and Guardians,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – LATEST UPDATE 12TH JUNE 2020

I hope everyone was able to rest and celebrate with their friends and families following the recent changes in restrictions over the Mid Term break. With the CMCO recently concluding on the 9th of June I am sure everyone is closely following the updates as we move into the 'Recovery Movement Control Order'.

As a nation Malaysia continues to remain diligent and manage the situation with carefully considered and logical planning, managing the risks and with great endeavour to maintain the safety of every community.

This week I have encouraged staff to return to work on a rotational basis with strict guidelines in place. By working in/from their designated classroom on alternate days and from home on the other days, staff have been able to access more varied resources and utilise technology to enhance our remote learning provision. This system will continue for staff until the end of the academic year.

The recent announcements for schools to reopen for examination year groups, has also entailed a detailed meeting today for school leaders. Allow me to share some thoughts and updates with you as I continue to manage the risks that reopening would entail compared to the potential benefits reopening would provide. In several staff meetings this week I have reassured staff that the only group of students I would consider or contemplate returning to our campus, would be our Year 10 examination group. The guidelines and restrictions of the MCO phases, along with a concerted effort from all, has significantly reduced the level of risk to our communities. Indeed, I would consider it rather remiss of me to reopen the school prematurely without due consideration.

Learning

We continue to utilize our current remote learning provision completing the usual timetable structure for the following year groups:

Reception students

All Junior School students

Key stage 3 students (Years 7,8&9)

Year 10 students will be the *ONLY* year group to return to the school campus in a 'soft' opening that will include a blend of remote learning and limited physical access to certain areas of the school. I will send procedures to our Year 10 students and parents next week as we must maintain Social Distancing, follow specific break time directives, and other restrictions mean some classes/activities will not be available. Students in Year 10 will follow an amended timetable until the end of this academic year. This information will also be posted on the Parent Portal.

Assessments, examinations and reports

The delayed Term 2 reports have been sent out for the Senior school this week and the Junior school will follow shortly. For Term 3, in essence our continuous or ongoing assessments have been maintained and will be the main feature of the term 3 report.

For our scheduled formal examinations, although all assessments are ready, these assessments have been postponed until the start of next Term. I will announce the revised assessment/examination schedule accordingly.

Term 3 reports will be sent electronically and the PTC and target setting meetings will rotate forwards to September 2020.

Please refer to any key dates below for the months of June and July 2020.

Month	Week Beginning	Key date	Description/Event/Action
June	15 th	Monday 15 th - Friday 19 th	Remote learning continues for ALL students
	22 nd	Wednesday 24th June	Potential Date for reopening of the school campus - Year 10 only.
	29 th	Monday 29 th - Friday 3 rd July	Remote learning continues for :- Reception students All Junior School students Key stage 3 students (Years 7,8&9) Yr 10 will continue their blend of remote learning and campus based lessons.
		Wednesday 1 st July	Year 6 Introduction to Year 7: Zoom conference
July	6 th	Monday 6 th July - Friday 10 th July	Remote learning continues for :- Reception students All Junior School students Key stage 3 students (Years 7,8&9) Yr 10 will continue their blend of remote learning and campus based lessons.
	13 th	Monday 13 th	School Closed for term break
August	24 th	Wednesday 26 th - Friday 28 th	Staff professional Development Days (no Students in School)
	31 st	Monday 31 st	Merdeka Day (PH)
		Tuesday 1 st September	Term 1 AY 2020/21 commences

MIGS Sixth Form


I recently sent a google form to our Year 11 parents to obtain a first draft of A level subject selections. Please take a moment to review/complete this and submit your initial subject choices.

Academic Scholarships

Initial details feature on the Parent Portal with further details coming very soon!

As always, very best regards to all and I trust everyone remains safe and well.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JP Birch', written in a cursive style.

JOHN PAUL BIRCH

Principal.