



4<sup>th</sup> October 2021

MIGS/ADM/T1/PRC/WS/PS/2021-0269

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – LATEST UPDATE ON CAMPUS OPENING

As we constantly monitor the information to guide the campus access and face to face learning, please allow me to share a brief synopsis of the current situation. Perhaps the most crucial item to report is that we currently are **continuing to learn remotely for all year groups until at least the 11<sup>th</sup> of October 2021.**

As we transition into Phase 3 of the National Recovery Plan where a relaxation of restrictions for those who are fully vaccinated, the list of services and activities permitted in Phase 2 are expanded, featuring both a higher capacity and longer hours. The following general guidelines currently apply to schools as we continue to be patient and wait for things to normalise: -

| PHASE | SCHOOL DIVISION                          | LEARNING DELIVERED   | CAMPUS ACCESS  |
|-------|--|--|----------------|
| 2     | Junior                                   | Remotely   | Not Applicable |
|       | Senior (years 7-10)                      |  |                |
|       | <b>Senior (IGCSE Examinations Years)</b> | Remotely unless students are :<br>1. Aged 16 to 17<br>2. Taking Examinations this calendar Year<br>3. Fully vaccinated<br>4. Have observed the post vaccination waiting time |                |
| 3     | Junior                                   | Remotely   | Not Applicable |
|       | Senior                                   |  |                |
|       | <b>Senior (IGCSE Examinations Years)</b> | On campus full time - no rotation required   |                |
| 4     | Junior                                   | On Rotation Week 1 and week 2  |                |
|       | Senior                                   |  |                |
|       | <b>Senior (IGCSE Examinations Years)</b> | On campus full time - no rotation required   |                |

## STUDENT VACCINATIONS

Allow me to once again thank Ms Reka (our school nurse) who has been instrumental in communicating with the various ministries and coordinating the vaccination programmes in an ever changing landscape. The latest information continues to feature the need for a scheduled vaccination appointment - parents will be alerted via the MySejahtera App, and school will also be informed.

According to reports there are over 2.5 million students aged between 12 and 17 who are eligible and enrolled in schools nationwide. Latest figures suggest that almost 2 million individuals under the age of 18 have registered for Covid-19 vaccinations on MySejahtera. Please ensure you have followed the steps identified by Ms Reka. Once the prioritised examination students (aged between 16 and 17) have been vaccinated, I would assume the next group would be those students aged 14 to 15 years. We continue to work closely with the Hulu Langat Health District office who are trying to speed up the process for our students. To date we have submitted all students' details to the MOE/MOH and remain in constant contact with them. Please continue to check and update your profile on the MySejahtera App and check for updates and appointments.

As the announcement has indicated a move to Phase 3 of the NRP (when the COVID-19 pandemic is perceived to be under control) educational institutions start to reopen.

Plans remain in place including some further revised SOPs for a full or partial campus entry. Discussions have been taking place with the MOE, the AIMS group and the BMMC over the weekend and as a group of Principals we have submitted some items for clarification for the MOE to allow us to open and maintain the highest levels of safety and risk management of everyone in our community.

I am hoping to receive a reply from the MOE very soon and when confirmed, I will select our most appropriate method and share this with our community.

## PLANS FOR CAMPUS ACCESS

As indicated this will happen in stages starting with our eldest students who are following IGCSE examination courses. In the recent meeting with the MOE, several proposals were submitted, that could influence the opening dates, focussed on items concerned with :-

- The applicable two week waiting period
- The age of students for campus entry
- Student vaccination status (also taking account of the most vulnerable stage in the immediate day's post vaccination as our bodies begin to build immunity)
- School capacities

Please find my ***most achievable plans*** for a measured reopening of MIGS

| <b><i>Year Group</i></b> | <b><i>Suggested reopening schedule</i></b> |                       |
|--------------------------|--|-----------------------|
|                          | <b><i>Phase 3</i></b>                      | <b><i>Phase 4</i></b> |
|                          |  |                       |

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| <b>Senior ( IGCSE Examinations Years)</b> | If the restriction on a minimum age of 16 is withdrawn :<br><b>Opening 18<sup>th</sup> of October*</b>  |                               |
| <b>Senior (Year 10)</b>                   | If the restriction on a minimum age of 16 is withdrawn and students are vaccinated<br><b>Opening 18<sup>th</sup> of October on rotation**</b> |                               |
| Senior (Year 7-9)                         | Remote Learning continues   | On Rotation Week 1 and week 2 |
| Junior                                    |   |                               |

\*This date will be confirmed as soon as possible

\*Year 10 clarification of rotational entry will hopefully be clarified on the **8<sup>th</sup> of October**

Allow me to also share some key dates with you for the remainder of the term.

#### **KEY DATES -TERM ONE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/22**

| <b>DATES</b>  | <b>EVENT/ITEM</b>  |
|---|--|
| <b>The month of October</b>   | Campus due to re-open*   |
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> October</b>  | School and/or remote learning closed : Prophet Mohammad's Birthday           |
| <b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November</b> | School and/or remote learning closed : Deepavali celebrations and Term Break |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> December</b>   | <b><i>Parent Teacher Conferences and End of Term One.</i></b>                |

\*pending any revisions from the MOE

Warm regards,



**Mr John P Birch**  
Principal