



IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY NOTICE

COVID 19 (Novel Coronavirus)



| TO: Parents

| DATE: 29/02/2020

SUBJECT	Additional measures to ensure a healthy and safe school environment
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Dear Parents,

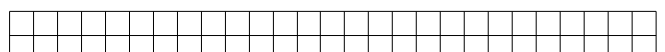
The safety, health and well-being of students and staff is our top priority. Therefore, we would like to update you on all the precautionary measures that we have taken along with our partner government entities since 2 February 2020 to ensure a safe school environment.

Over the past month we have:

- Instructed staff, students and their relatives returning from China or any other country where the virus has spread, to stay at home for a period of 14 days and ensure they are tested prior to returning to school.
- Raised awareness about the virus with school leadership and staff and provided instructional material on preventative measures.
- With the Department of Health, we have trained school nurses and medical staff on how to handle any suspected cases.
- Worked with the Integrated Transport Center to intensify school bus cleaning efforts and ensure that buses are sanitized frequently with the recommended cleaning materials.
- Temporarily suspended nursery operations to protect our young ones as they are sensitive to the chemicals being used in the more rigorous cleaning protocols being implemented.

In addition, we have instructed schools to:

- Suspend all local and international school trips, mass gatherings such as events and conferences.
- Suspend all activities in the swimming pool area.
- Suspend all school assemblies and stagger break times to reduce large gatherings of students.
- Ensure that students and staff with symptoms are not permitted to remain on school grounds to limit any risk of transmission.
- Abide by strict hygiene standards and mandated regular cleaning and disinfection protocols within schools.





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While we are stepping up efforts to ensure that the school environment is safe, we look forward to your support in reinforcing and complementing our efforts through the following measures:

- Some of the most effective measures are in our own hands – you should wash and sanitize them regularly, and keep them away from your face to reduce the risk of infection.
- If your child has any of the following symptoms: fever, cough or difficulty breathing, seek medical care immediately and keep him/her at home until they are cleared to return to school.

We urge you to stay up to date with the latest information about the Novel Coronavirus by visiting the official page of the Department of Health:

<https://www.doh.gov.ae/en/health-information/Novel%20Coronavirus>

For any medical support or inquiry, please find below the contact details for the related health agencies:

- Estijaba service center (Department of Health) at 8001717
- Ministry of Health and Prevention at 80011111

Thank you for your kind cooperation, continued support and for entrusting the safety of your children to us.

Best regards.

