

Petaling Jaya, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## Fourteenth Newsletter School Year 2020/21

### Important Dates:

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| Until 30.06.2021                                 | : | School and kindergarten are closed - teaching via e-learning  |
| Tuesday, 29.06.2021                              | : | lessons for all classes from 8.00 am – 1.20 pm,<br>no lessons in the afternoon  |
| Wednesday, 30.06.2021                            | : | Last day of online teaching in school and KiGa before<br>the summer holidays,<br>11.00 am: end of lessons   |
| Wednesday, 30.06.2021                            | : | Report card distribution for all classes via email  |
| Wednesday, 30.06.2021, 11.30 am – 3.30 pm        | : | only for students and families who will leave the DSKL<br>at the end of the school year:<br>Opportunity to return school iPads, borrowed school<br>School supplies, library books, etc,<br>Collection of report cards from the school |
| <b>Thursday, 01.07.2021 – Friday, 13.08.2021</b> | : | <b>Summer holidays</b>  |
| Thursday, 12.08.2021, 10.00 – 11.00 am           | : | Orientation day for new families at kindergarten  |
| Friday, 13.08.2021, 2.00 – 4.00 pm               | : | Orientation day for new families at school  |
| Monday, 16.08.2021                               | : | First day of school after the summer holidays, classes 2 – 12   |
| Monday, 16.08.2021                               | : | First day of in kindergarten and pre-school after the<br>summer holidays  |
| Friday, 20.08.2021, 10.00 am                     | : | Enrolment celebration for the new first graders   |

**All dates are available in our Online Calendar on the DSKL website.**



Dear Parents and Teachers, dear Students,

the school year is coming to an end and everyone is looking forward to the well-deserved vacations. At this point in time, we plan to start school with face-to-face classes after the summer vacations. If further developments in the caseload and the resulting orders from the government do not allow for face-to-face classes, we will inform you about changes in planning during the summer vacations.

### Farewells at the end of the school year

We are very sorry that we will not be able to say goodbye to our kindergarten children, students and colleagues who are leaving us at the end of the school year again this year in person and in a nice setting, as was usually the case. This is a great pity, but due to the circumstances, any large gathering of people is still to be avoided and we ask for your understanding. We would like to take this opportunity to wish our departing students all the best for their future. We hope that you will settle in well at your new schools and make many new friends there. Keep fond memories of DSKL and hopefully we will see you again!

At the end of the school year we unfortunately have to say goodbye to many dear colleagues, who we would like to list below:

*Nicole Bredehöft – Head of primary school land class teacher of class A*  
*Jan Lübke - Teacher*  
*Sophie Menne - Teacher*  
*Corgan Saw - Teacher*  
*Mirja Schatzinger - Class teacher of class 1*  
*Jan Steger - Teacher*

We thank you all for your great commitment to the DSKL and for your support in so many areas of our school. We wish you all the best for the future and would be happy to see one or the other of you again at the DSKL.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the parents, especially the Parent Council, for their extremely helpful support in so many areas of our daily school life. Without your dedication in supervising, distribution of used school books, and so many other things, much of this past school year would not have been so easily possible. Thank you very much for all the work you have done and I am very much looking forward to continuing to work with you in the coming school year!

Our team will be supported in the new school year 2021/22 by the following new colleagues, who will start their work with us in August.

*Birgit Bartz – Head of primary school land class teacher of class A*  
*Simone Groeger - Teacher for English & History*  
*Katja Fößmeier - Teacher for German & French*  
*Dr. Edwina Parzer - teacher for music*  
*Anne-Sophie Steindl - Class teacher of class 4*

#### Backup of Google data of student accounts

We would like to inform all students leaving DSKL at the end of the school year that their Google accounts will be deleted at the end of July at the latest. All important data should therefore be backed up by the students in time.

#### School iPads

School iPads **do not need to be returned** over the summer break.

Students who are leaving the DSKL at the end of the school year must return the iPads to the school on the last day of school (see below).

Students of the current grade 9 please return their iPads to school on the 1st school day after the school holidays, as they will be using their own devices for instruction in the new school year.

All other students in the new grades 2 - 9 please bring their charged iPads to school on the 1st day. Please note that the iPads will need to be completely turned off and back on once before the start of the new school year in order for the devices to be updated. Thank you.

### Report card distribution

Due to the current situation, report cards can unfortunately only be distributed digitally this year. Accordingly, we will send you your children's scanned report cards by email on the last day of school. The originals will then be sent to the students at the beginning of the new school year.

Together with the report card, we will also send you an overview of your children's personal data, which we would like to ask you to check and inform us of any changes, please.

### Report card distribution and return of school materials for departing students.

All students leaving the DSKL at the end of the school year are asked to pick up their report cards in person at the school on the last day of school, on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, from 11.30 am – 3.30 pm. During this time, please also return the school iPads as well as any borrowed school materials and books from the library.

### Opening hours of the administration during the summer holidays

Vacation time is also vacation time in the administration. The administration is present during the entire vacation, but not all colleagues are always on site. Please refer to the absence notes for corresponding contact persons.

**In the period from 12.07.2021 - 23.07.2021 there will only be an emergency presence on site at the DSKL.** Please direct urgent requests during this period to [reception@dskl.edu.my](mailto:reception@dskl.edu.my) by email or contact the school by phone on 03-7956 6557.

### DSKL Library

During the summer vacations, the DSKL library is open every Wednesday between 09:30 am - 2:30 pm. Families can thus diversify their vacation routine with exciting books, board games or movies. Since the number of people in the library is limited to 6, there may be waiting times. We kindly ask for your understanding.

The online library will be activated shortly. We will inform you about this in a separate email.

### Orientation day in the kindergarten and school

We would like to cordially invite all new families to an orientation day in the kindergarten on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, from 10.00 - 11.00 am. The orientation day at school will be held on Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021, from 2.00 – 4.00 pm. On this occasion, the new families can visit the kindergarten or the school again, meet the school management and kindergarten team, clarify last organizational matters, buy the school uniforms and much more.

### First day of school after the vacations on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

School will begin after summer vacation on Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. for grades 2-12. At this time, **we plan to begin school with face-to-face lessons.** If further caseload developments and resulting government orders do not allow for face-to-face instruction, we will notify you during summer vacation. In the case of face-to-face instruction, the school buses will be in operation, as usual, from the first day of school.

### Information about the school buses in the new school year

As you already know, Mr. Yusof will take over the organization of the school buses from now on. In preparation for the new school year, he has already sent a form to all families that are currently using the school bus by matching or requesting their data. We ask you to support him by returning this form

to him ([syedyusof300@gmail.com](mailto:syedyusof300@gmail.com) ). New interested parties can find the inquiry form in the "School Bus" service area on the DSKL website. If you have an inquiry, you can also contact Mr. Yusof by phone at the following number: +60-11-6272 8282.

#### Refund of school bus fees for the second school semester

The excess bus fees in the first school semester due to school closures were already refunded to you at the beginning of this year. We also have refunds pending for the second school semester. We will offset these credits against the school fees for the coming school year and show them accordingly on the invoice.

#### Toy donations for the primary school

The primary school is looking for donations for the toy box in the playground. If you have balls, skipping ropes or similar outdoor toys that you no longer need, we would be delighted to receive your donation. We are also very interested in board games for the primary school to offer more varieties during the breaks in the classroom. You are welcome to hand in your contributions to Ms. Lee Li at the reception.

#### De-registrations at the end of the school year

If you have not already done so, please inform us as soon as possible about any de-registrations of your children at the end of the school year so that we can take them into account when planning for the new school year. Please be sure to note the deregistration deadline of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, which is set for de-registrations at the end of the school year. The de-registration forms for the DSKL and the School Association (DSM) can also be found here again in the attachment. Thank you very much.

#### Tip for the summer vacations - online chess course

From the parents we were made aware of an offer of the Intelligent Minds Academy of the well-known chess player Mr. Mok. Various online chess courses are offered for children during the summer vacations. Mr. Mok is already known by some parents in our school community and we would like to pass on this recommendation to you. Please find all information about the courses in the attachments.

Once again, I would like to wish you all a relaxing vacation. Even though the vacations this year do not offer the usual travel opportunities, I wish everyone a time of rest and relaxation and hopefully the opportunity to experience some wonderful things.

Best regards and stay positive

Konrad Menne, Principal

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| <b>Next newsletter : on Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021</b> |
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