

Petaling Jaya, September 28th, 2021

Third Newsletter School Year 2021/22

(Dear English speaking parents, an English version of this letter will appear on our DSKL homepage shortly)

Wichtige Daten:

Friday, 01.10.2021	:	Project day on academic papers, year 11
Tuesday, 05.10.2021	:	World Teachers' Day
Thursday, 07.10.2021, 10.00 am	:	1 st parent council meeting
Thursday, 07.10.2021, 7.00 pm	:	Info session for parents of Pre-school children in Kindergarten, online
Monday, 11.10. – Friday, 15.10.2021	:	Development talks in Pre-school, online
Monday, 18.10.2021 – Friday, 22.10.2021	:	Autumn school holidays
Thursday, 28.10.2021, 07.30 pm	:	47 th DSM Annual General Meeting
Thursady, 04.11.2021	:	Public holiday – Hari Deepavali – no lessons
Friday, 05.11.2021	:	Pedagogical training day for teachers – no lessons in school and Kindergarten
Wednesday, 10.11.2021	:	Pedagogical class conferences
Friday, 12.11.2021	:	1 st interim report card for year 5 – 12 students
Monday, 15.11.2021 – Friday 19.11.2021	:	Development talks in Pre-school
Wednesday, 17.11.2021, 04.00 – 08.00 Uhr	:	Parent-teacher day (individual sessions for Years 1-12)

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



Dear Parents and Teachers, dear Students,

In the meantime, the last of our new colleagues have arrived in Malaysia: Mrs. Steindl, class teacher of class 4, has already been released from quarantine, Mrs. Fößmeier, class teacher of class 5, and our new assistant teacher, Mrs. Malk, are currently still in quarantine. Once again, we would like to welcome all our colleagues to Malaysia and to the DSKL!

In the past few days, there was a surprise opportunity for our students in grades 10 - 12 to receive a Covid-19 vaccination in Cyberjaya. Many families took advantage of this opportunity, so that in these classes the majority of students are now either fully vaccinated or received their first dose. This was followed over the weekend by the additional offer for the younger students born in the years 2006 - 2009 to receive the vaccination as well. The date for the second vaccination after exactly three weeks might collide with our autumn school holidays. So please consider this when choosing the date for the first dose. We hope that all desired appointment dates can be arranged. At this point, we would like to thank all those without whose cooperation and commitment, even on the weekend, this quick realization of the vaccination appointments would not have been possible. If you are still interested in a vaccination appointment, please contact Mrs. Hontheim.

In our email last Friday, we had already informed grades 10 - 12 about the current status of the reopening of the schools.

You must have read in the news that international schools will be allowed to reopen their doors for graduating classes from October 4th, 2021 onwards.

However, at a meeting with the Private Education Division of the MoE on September 15th, 2021, we were informed that the expat schools - which include DSKL as well as LFKL (French School Kuala Lumpur) - will not be allowed to open until phase 3 of the National Recovery Plan.

On Friday, September 17th, 2021, a joint letter was drafted by the DSKL and the LFKL, which was then sent to the MoE on Monday, September 20th, 2021, along with a letter of support from the German as well as the French Embassies, asking them to reconsider the decision.

The information we received from the MoE this week was unfortunately contradictory, so that we currently have no reliable statement on the reopening. According to the current status, a school reopening also for our graduating classes on October 4th, 2021 is unfortunately not possible, as long as Selangor is still in phase 2 of the National Recovery Plan. This is indeed very disappointing news and we are very sorry that all efforts from different sides have been unsuccessful to date.

We are continuing to talk to all decision-makers and will inform you - if necessary at short notice - as soon as there is further news on this topic.

Now to the internal news of the DSKL: As you know, the parents' evenings took place in the past weeks. The elected class parent representatives have already held their first meeting and elected the parent council for the school year 2021/22. We would like to introduce the individual members and representatives of the different school levels and the Kindergarten to you in the following:

Kindergarten:	Mrs. Vanessa Maleika, Mrs. Rose Wunderlich
Primary School:	Mr. Achim Jansen, Mr. Reinhart Zimmermann
Sek. I:	Mr. Malte Winter, Mrs. Solveigh Koh
Sek. II:	Mrs. Christine Streng, Mrs. Carole Klotz

I would like to express my sincere thanks for their willingness to support the work of the parents through their participation in the Parent Council. I congratulate all of them on their election and look forward to working together with them this school year.

Furthermore, I would like to report that a digital visit by our process facilitator, Mr. Wollenweber, took place last week. In the course of this, many online consultations were held with the various committees of the school. The visit and the cooperation with Mr. Wollenweber is especially important in view of the upcoming federal-state inspection of the DSKL in the spring, which will confirm the status of the DSKL as an "Excellent German Foreign School". A lot of preparation is necessary for this and we would like to thank Mr. Wollenweber and all colleagues involved in these preparations for their support.

47th Annual General Meeting of the DSM

On Thursday, October 28th, 2021, at 7:30 pm, the 47th General Annual Membership Meeting of the German Schools Association Malaysia will be held at the DSKL. Subject to the SOP permitting, the meeting is scheduled to be held in presence. The invitation will be sent to the members by email next week. Further documents regarding the general meeting will be sent to you in due time in accordance to the deadline of one week before the meeting date. The board and the school management are looking forward to your numerous participation.

Request for submission of current passport and visa copies

We would like to kindly remind you to send us your children's current passport and visa copies. We are required by the authorities to update our students' information regularly. We therefore kindly ask for your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to send us the passport and visa copies in person or by scan and email (office@dskl.edu.my). Thank you very much.

Request for information after Covid 19 vaccination received.

Likewise, we ask that you inform us if your child has already received Covid-19 vaccination or will receive it in the future. We need to provide information on the vaccination status of staff and students to the authorities on a regular basis, as previously reported. We have already received a lot of feedback, best thanks for this. If your child will receive Covid-19 vaccination in the future, please send us a copy of the relevant vaccination certificate. Thank you for your cooperation.

Information regarding the school library

We would like to remind you again to please return all overdue items from the library to avoid losses and reminders.

Please note the current opening hours of the library: Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Pre-ordered books can also be picked up at the reception outside these hours.

With best regards and stay confident

Konrad Menne
Principal

Upcoming newsletter: Tuesday, September 28th, 2021
