

DEUTSCHE SCHULE KUALA LUMPUR SEKOLAH JERMAN KUALA LUMPUR



Petaling Jaya, September 27th, 2022

Third Newsletter School Year 2022/23

Important Dates:		
Thursday, 29.09.2022	:	"TAG DAY" in school
Thursday, 29.09.2022	:	Excursion of the kindergarten to the Taman Aman
Friday, 30.09.2022	:	Project day on the subject works of class 11
Monday, 03.10.2022	:	Activities for the Day of German Unity in the kindergarten
Tuesday, 04.10.2022	:	"TAG DAY" and "Toy Day" in the kindergarten
Thursday, 06.10.2022, 7.00 pm	:	Parents' evening for the parents of the preschoolers in the kindergarten
Thursday, 06.10. – Friday, 07.10.2022	:	Teambuilding Days for the students of the DSKL Non-participating students: lessons at school
Thursday, 06.10. – Friday, 07.10.2022	:	Grades 5-11: two-day program with one overnight stay
Thursday, 06.10.2022	:	Grades 2-4: one-day program
Thursday, 06.10.2022		Class 1: separate activities
Friday, 07.10.2022	:	Primary school field trip, grades 1-4, to the aquarium, KLCC
Monday, 10.10.2022	:	Public holiday – Muhammad's Birthday – no lessons
Tuesday, 11.10.2022	:	"TAG DAY" in school
Wednesday, 12.10.2022, 5.00 – 7.00 pm	:	Deepavali celebration of primary school and kindergarten in the schoolyard
Attention Change of Date:		
Wednesday, 12.10.2022, 7.30 pm	:	48th General Meeting of the DSM with election of the
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Monday, 17.10.2022 – Friday, 21.10.2022	:	Autumn holidays Bublic holiday
Monday, 24.10.2022	:	Public holiday – Deepavali – no lessons
Tuesday, 25.10. – Monday 31.10.2022	:	Development talks for the parents of the preschoolers
Thursday, 27.10.2022	:	Excursion of the kindergarten to the Taman Aman
Saturday, 29.10.2022, 8.00 am	:	Central re-writing date for examinations and class tests
Monday, 31.10.2022, after the sports lesson	:	Visit of the preschoolers to the library
Tuesday, 01.11.2022	:	"TAG DAY" and "Toy Day" in the kindergarten
Friday, 04.11.2022	:	Pedagogical day - no lessons in school and kindergarten

All dates are available in our <u>Online-Kalender</u> on the DSKL website.



Dear Parents and Teachers, dear Students,

The parents' evenings are over, the parents' representative meeting has taken place and I would like to take this opportunity to say one thing above all: thank you! Thanks to all the parent representatives and parent councillors who held office last school year, thanks to all the parents who have taken on the office of class parent representative or deputy this school year and thanks to Mrs. Dalitz and Mr. Winter who have taken on the office of chairperson as well as deputy chairperson and have made themselves available as contact persons for the parent council.

From September 6th – 8th, 2022 our process facilitator, Mr. Wollenweber, visited us from Chiang Mai. Consultations were held with all functionaries of our school on topics of school development and, according to Mr. Wollenweber, we are on the right track to continuously develop the school. Appropriately, the school was awarded the seal "Excellent German School Abroad" by Ambassador Dr. Blomeyer at the meeting of the German institutions on September 12th, 2022. The final report of the BLI 3.0 should therefore follow soon.

In this context, I would also like to give you information about the current performance level of our students after Corona. The competency tests conducted at the end of the last school year in grades 6 and 8 as well as the results of the central class exams in grade 10, the Realschule exams in grade 10 and the Abitur exams did not reveal any serious differences in the performance of our students compared to their peers from Thuringia or other German schools abroad. Of course, there were individual deficits due to the lockdown period, but our colleagues are already in close contact with those affected in order to work on these deficits as quickly as possible.

Furthermore, I would like to reassure you about any concerns that may have arisen about the fulfilment of our curricula. Our curricula are based on 39 school weeks as the maximum possible teaching time. Our school calendar this year has 40 school weeks. This is very generous, as 70% of the available time should be sufficient to fulfil the curriculum. The rest is provided for class tests, repetitions, absences due to illness and absences due to holidays. If in individual cases, due to the accumulation of Mondays as public holidays, there is an increased loss of teaching time in individual classes and subjects, the colleagues can counteract this by ensuring that in these cases the colleagues who teach two subjects in one class - within the framework of their pedagogical responsibility - also teach once in the lesson designated in the timetable as an example, e.g. Physics. Furthermore, there will be a new timetable for the second half of the year in which this will be taken into account.

First aid course on September 10th, 2022 was a great success!

In cooperation with the Hospital of the University of Malaya Medical Centre, especially through the kind support of Prof. Dr. Alexander Loch and Prof. Dr. Mohd Idzwan, a free first aid course was held for our students of grades 7 - 12. A total of 52 participants were trained. Many thanks to Prof. Dr. Idzwan and his team!

Last Saturday, for the first time in three years, the *GSSKL Family Day* took place on the school grounds of the DSKL. Special mention should be made here of the efforts of our new music teacher Kenny Lee, who not only took care of the technology, but also led the school band and thrilled the visitors with his skills on the saxophone.

Election of the liaison teachers and the student representatives

Mr. Droubetskoi and Mr. Müller were elected by our students as their liaison teachers this school year. The election of the student representatives also took place. The new student representatives are Franziska Gleißner from class 11 together with Arie van der Waal from class 10. We congratulate them and look forward to working with them.

New interns at the DSKL

We are pleased to welcome two new interns at the DSKL in the near future: Ms. Syamira Rasyiqah will be supporting us in the kindergarten for five months from October 3rd, 2022 and Ms. Catherine Hoh in

our administration for four months. Ms. Syamira and Ms. Hoh are studying German at different universities in Malaysia. We wish them both a good start at the DSKL!

LAGs Teacher Working Groups in the school year 2022/23

As in every year, new teacher working groups (LAGs) have been formed. This school year, our teachers will work in the LAGs on communication, handover, digitalisation and sustainability until the upcoming revision of the mission statement.

Teambuilding Days in October

As you know, the teambuilding days for classes 2 - 11 will take place from October $6^{th} - 7^{th}$, 2022. We sent out an email with all the details for registration last week. If you have not yet submitted your registration, please do so **by tomorrow**, Wednesday, September 28th, 2022.

Fire and amok alarm drills for all classes

We would like to inform you that at the beginning of October there will be some emergency drills (fire alarm and amok alarm) at school. The students will be specifically prepared for these drills by the class teacher or by our safety officer, Mr. Lehmenkühler.

MGCC Oktoberfest and GSSKL Christmas Bazaar

We are pleased to announce that the MGCC's traditional Oktoberfest and the GSSKL's popular Christmas Bazaar will be held again this year. The Oktoberfest will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Kuala Lumpur on Saturday October 15th, 2022 and the Christmas Bazaar will be held at the Glasshouse Seputeh on Sunday November 27th, 2022. For more details, please see the flyers attached or use this Link to register for the Oktoberfest.

Request for donations of newspapers for our art department

The Art Department is asking for donations of old newspapers which is urgently needed for the new art projects. Donations should be handed in to Ms. Lee Li at the reception. Thank you for your support.

Counselling for parents on dyslexia and dyscalculia

On the occasion of the nationwide **campaign day "Day of Dyslexia and Dyscalculia",** a counselling week for parents will take place at the Duden Institute for Learning Therapy International-Online from September 26th to 30th, 2022. The free consultations are offered to parents who are looking for help for their child with extreme difficulties in learning to read, write or do arithmetic.

During an individual consultation, parents receive information about what a reading, writing or arithmetic disability is and what diagnostic and therapeutic options are available for children and adolescents.

The Duden Institute for Learning Therapy International-Online can be reached via Signal Messenger +493056586834 or <u>international-online@duden-institute.de</u> or book an appointment directly via our <u>book-ing calendar</u>.

With best regards, Konrad Menne, principal

Upcoming Newsletter: Thursday, October 27th, 2022