From the Desk of the Executive Head...

30-6-2021

Good day to the PEPPS community

I am sorry to intrude on your holiday time, but I know that many of you would like to know what PEPPS's plans are after the announcements this week. I am going to outline our plans ... but I have to say **these are subject to change**. We know that legislation may change and we are also keeping a careful eye on Covid numbers in our province.

We continue to pray for God's Grace and wisdom as we navigate a path forward during challenging times.

According to the most recent regulations, **ECDs may remain open and Independent Schools may reopen on 14 July 2021**.

In consultation with the Heads, PEPPS is planning the following:

ECD classes will resume on all campuses on 13-7-2021 as originally planned. That said, **families may choose to keep pupils at home** and no assessments will be done until the end of July. Some resources, to stay up to date, will be shared on myHomework since new work will be presented.

Grade 1-12 arrangements will differ on each campus, however, no families will be forced to send pupils to school during July.

Lessons (some on-campus and some online) will **resume on 14-7-2021**.

- Grade 1-3 pupils will NOT be assessed until the end of July, although new work will be introduced.
- Grade 4-12 pupils will be expected to complete all work presented and submit assessments once teaching resumes on 14-7-2021.
- Grade 12 pupils will be strongly encouraged to come to campus.

PEPPS plans to continue with providing excellent education. We accept that online and hybrid teaching methods are not as effective as face-to-face teaching, but it is a reasonable bridge over these troubled waters, should these methodologies become necessary.

TEACHERS AND PUPILS WILL BE VERY VIGILANT OF ALL COVID PROTOCOLS ON CAMPUS!

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY PUPILS ONTO CAMPUS IF ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS COVID, IS TESTING FOR COVID, OR IS FEELING UNWELL. ONE POSITIVE CONTACT CAN RISK A WHOLE GRADE OR SECTION OF THE SCHOOL.

The Heads will communicate more details on what will be expected for each school. Thank you for your continued support of our schools and your children's education. PEPPS is committed to serving our community to the best of our ability while staying safe.

I know we can do this! We have done it before.

Yours in healthy and safe education

Annabel Roberts

PEPPS Executive Head