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School operations after Easter

Dear students, dear parents and guardians,

After what was hopefully a restful Easter holiday, we are ready to continue the school year together. With this in mind, the Ministry for Education has put some new regulations in place. While we are able to enjoy some easing of previous measures, it remains vital that we continue to act with care and caution to reduce the continued risks that we face.

Briefly summarised, the following rules are in action with immediate effect:

- Mandatory face masks (junior years – mouth and nose protection, senior years - FFP-2 mask) outside of classrooms
- Mandatory FFP-2 masks for visitors to the school
- A mandatory PCR test, once per week
When the test is not completed in school (every Tuesday), the negative result of an external test must be shown the following day.
- Those with valid evidence of having recovered from Covid-19 infection are freed from mandatory PCR testing for 60 days post-recovery
- There is no Ninja-Pass or stickers anymore
- Practice of good hygiene is to be continued: distance, hand washing, cough and sneeze hygiene

Following the newest quarantine regulations, a quarantined student may leave quarantine and return to school from the day 6, provided that the student has not experienced any symptoms for the previous 48 hours. In the interest of safe school attendance for all, I ask that this symptom-free rule is kept to. This means: no fever, no coughing, no cold, sore throat or fatigue. Only students who have felt absolutely fit and healthy for two consecutive days may, under these rules, leave quarantine early. Upon returning to school, the following rules apply:

- Mandatory FFP-2-mask, also in the classroom
- Strict application of hygiene rules (hand washing, distance)
- No singing in music lessons

If we are able react responsibly to the continuing challenges the pandemic presents, we can look forward with confidence to the coming phase of the school year.

With best wishes and warm regards,



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