



OUR REF :

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DATE : Thursday, 22nd April 2021

To: The Parents of students in Years 1-3 – DISTANCE and BLENDED LEARNING UPDATE AFTER SPRING BREAK

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Saint Mary's. We continue to ask all of our Marian family to hold the school community in prayer especially for the health and safety of our children and their extended families. We pray in a special way for those families that are facing many challenges with health and other difficulties related because of the Pandemic and we trust that peaceful healing and happier times return to one and all. Please read these important updates as we move into week thirty five of this Academic Year.

TRAVEL DECLARATION: In order for the school to be compliant with the UAE Covid-19 travel requirements, please click on the official DHA link (available on website) and answer the relevant questions even if your child has not travelled. We appreciate if you are not travelling that you complete it as soon as possible. If you are travelling, please complete it prior to your child's return to lessons. The email required to be filled in the field on the form is traveldecl-smchs@smgeducation.org

REVISED ADMIN. OFFICE TIMINGS REMINDER: All parents are requested to please make a careful note that the School Admin Office will as usual be **closed on the First and Third Saturday of every month** and **will work from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm on the Second and Fourth Saturday of every month.** For any urgent collection of documents, the office will intimate you on a case by case basis of any other timings during the week when documents may be collected.

NEW DHA REQUIREMENTS FOR REPORTING COVID-19 SCHOOL CASES: Even if a child who has opted for Distance Learning has tested positive for Covid-19, parents are requested to please access the link provided on the school website as per new DHA requirements and fill it up without fail. The new requirements necessitate that the PCR test report is sent by parents to the school on the same day that they receive it from the lab. **THIS IS NOW MANDATORY FOR PARENTS FROM DHA. THIS IS ONLY FOR NEW COVID-19 POSITIVE CASES AND NOT THOSE WHO HAVE RECOVERED FROM COVID.**

FINAL EXAMINATION PORTIONS and TIMETABLES : The portions for the final examinations have been uploaded under the relevant Department categories on the school website and Final examination time tables have also been uploaded to the school website at the start of the Spring Break.

DL SCHEDULE : The DL Schedule for next week will be uploaded to the school website along with this update

ADMISSION FORMS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022: We would like to inform all parents that admissions to the Academic Year 2021-2022 are now open only for year 10. There will be NO ADMISSIONS FOR YEAR ELEVEN. Kindly check the school website www.stmarysdubai.com for the admissions notice for further information related to admissions.

OUTSTANDING FEES FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR : We are at a time junction of having gone past the last day for both first and second term fee payments but we still have a large number of students with outstanding fees. We are urging all parents who have not yet cleared these outstanding fees to do so without delay. Please note that we will not be in a position to provide examination marks, report cards, mid-term assessment scripts, reference letters or any other official documents to students who still have outstanding fees. ALL OUTSTANDING FEES MUST BE PAID WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY. RE-REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR CANNOT BE DONE IF THERE ARE ANY OUTSTANDING FEES.

RETURN FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022 : It is that time of the year when we need to request parents to start thinking about whether your child will be returning for the next Academic Year 2021-2022 and we will be providing you with a form and some additional details on the 25th of April 2021 for re-registration for next year.

COMPETITION AND PROGRAMME PARTICIPATION UNDER DL SECTION OF OUR WEBSITE: We would like to invite you to please check this new section we have added for many interesting programmes and competitions that the children can participate in.

DL SECTION ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE: We would like to remind ALL parents to kindly visit the DL section on our school website as we have been updating it with many useful links , documents, vital information for keeping your children safe online, tips on well-being and mindfulness to name a few. We are sure that you will find these useful and we will keep updating this section as often as we can.

EXPO 2020 SECTION ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE: We would like to invite you and your children to browse this section regularly as we will keep updating it with interesting and relevant resources for the children.

We wish you safe days ahead and we pray for blessings of good health for one and all.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Paul Asir Joseph
(Principal)

