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OUR REF :

DATE : Saturday, 26th June 2021

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

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 the final week of this Academic Year.

END OF YEAR CIRCULAR:

Our End of Year Circular will be issued next week and that will have key information for parents. Please make sure that you read it carefully when you receive it.

RETURN FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022 :

THE FINAL DEADLINE FOR RE-REGISTRATION WAS 15TH MAY 2021. We have provided several opportunities even after the final date for parents re-register their children for the next year. WE WILL NOW CONSIDER THAT WHERE RE-REGISTRATION FEES HAVE NOT BEEN PAID THAT THOSE CHILDREN WILL NOT RETURN FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022. We have moved forward with new admissions based on those who have not been re-registered. Parents who have not re-registered their children for the next year will have to apply for a leaving certificate by filling in the form available on the website.

BOOK LISTS FOR NEXT YEAR:

The book lists for next year will be sent to you in the coming week along with the process for ordering books for the next Academic Year. A detailed circular for this purpose will also be issued in the coming week. Please be informed that ALL TIMELINES must be respected as books are shipped from the UK.

RELEASE OF FINAL EXAMINATION REPORT CARDS:

We have released the Final Examination report cards over this weekend. **We have not released report cards in those cases where there are still outstanding fees.**

RELEASE OF FINAL EXAMINATION ANSWER SCRIPTS :

The FINAL EXAMINATION ANSWER SCRIPTS/FORMS have been released from the 6th of June 2021 onwards to students so that students and parents may view the same. **We have not released these to any students who still have OUTSTANDING FEES with the school.**

OUTSTANDING FEES FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR :

We are at a juncture with only four days to go until the end of this Academic Year and have gone past ALL DEADLINES for fee payments but disappointingly we still have a large number of students with outstanding fees. Please note that we will not be in a position to provide examination marks, report cards, assessment scripts, reference letters, leaving certificates 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. We would like to strongly remind those parents who have not settled these outstanding fees that their children will not have a place for the next Academic Year 2021-2022. After 30th June 2021, any student with outstanding dues will be removed from the school's register. Students in Year 11 and 13 with outstanding fees will not have their Pearson Edexcel results released until all outstanding fees have been settled.

LEAVING CERTIFICATES:

Parents who requested for leaving certificates and have no outstanding dues and have paid for the leaving certificates, may come to school tomorrow, Sunday, 27th June 2021 to collect your child's medical records as well as the leaving certificate.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETING, 30TH JUNE 2021 8:00 -11:00 AM:

Parents are requested to kindly email your child's class teacher if you wish to have a meeting slot for the Parent-Teacher meeting. Please note that the teachers will accordingly send the Zoom links and meeting slots with timing on Tuesday evening in the class group email. Parents have until Monday evening 7:00pm to email class teachers and inform them if you wish to have a meeting slot. We will understand that if you have not sent in a request by email to the class teacher that you do not wish to meet with the class teacher.

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.**

DL SCHEDULE :

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

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.

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

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)

