

SSLTP/BG/T2-003

Date- 29<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Circular as per the latest update shared by KHDA.

Dear Parents and students,

As per the directives from the UAE government we are pleased to inform you that starting from January 2022 the weekends will be shifted to Saturday & Sunday and Friday being a half working day. The timings are as per the timetable I shared on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December.

As you may well have read, the KHDA has just announced new restrictions for Dubai schools for the new semester starting on Monday (3 January, 2022) because of rising COVID cases and we thought it would be helpful to outline these for you.

Although other regulators in the UAE have announced full distance learning for the first two weeks of the new term, we should emphasize that this does not apply to Dubai private schools. In-class lessons will continue as in the previous semester, so all our students are expected to be back in school from Monday unless you have a valid reason for non-attendance.

However, the following measures have been introduced by the regulator for the first two weeks of the new term:

- No extracurricular activities of any kind
- School canteen will be shut
- No school trips inside or outside of school hours
- Assemblies, events, performances, and all other type of internal gatherings have been put on hold

As ever, the school will strictly follow these guidelines with your child's health and wellbeing. We would also urge you and your child – if eligible – to take the recommended vaccinations and booster shots against COVID if you have not already done this. We request you to follow all COVID protocols and not send your child to school if they are sick or have been a close contact with a COVID patient.

We are so looking forward to welcoming all our students back for the new term from Monday, following the new school hours from Monday to Friday.

Stay safe & healthy. Wishing all of you a very Happy & prosperous New Year!

Best Regards,

Dr. Brian Gray

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