

In light of the changes announced by the UAE Government about the new 4 ½ day working week, please note the following:

- The days of the school week have changed as follows:
 - Sunday to Monday
 - Monday to Tuesday
 - Tuesday to Wednesday
 - Wednesday to Thursday
 - Thursday to Friday

- We are happy to inform you that other than the above shift of school days there will be no need for any other major change to our instructional schedule since we already meet or exceed the required mandated instructional allotments both by core subject area and by length of school day. School timings will remain the same: Monday-Thursday, 7:50am-2:50pm and Friday from 7:45am-11:30 Noon.

- Report cards are available if you have not yet collected these. You may visit the Admission's Office to do so.

- The first day of Semester 2 is January 10th

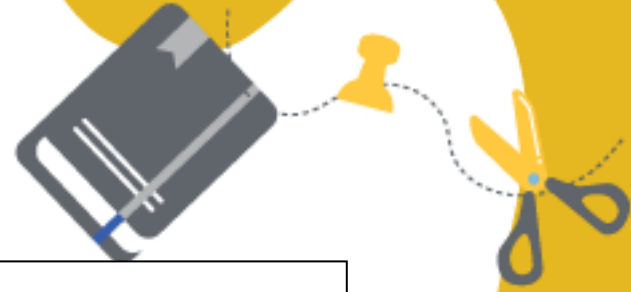
- As we begin Semester 2, please be reminded of the following:

1. **Daily Check.**

In the morning check your child: Ask (or assess) him/her with the following questions:

- *Does he/she feel unwell today?*
- *Does he/she have a cough or sore throat?*
- *Does he/she have a fever or feel feverish?*
- *Does he/she have shortness of breath?*
- *Has he/she had a loss in taste or smell?*





If the answer is yes to any of these questions, you should keep your child at home and consider contacting your family doctor. If able, they should instead participate in the online live stream lessons.

2. **What to bring to school**

A. While the school has an emergency supply of these items, you should supply your child with the following items on a daily basis:

- 2 disposable face masks
- 2 sets of gloves
- Hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol content (as per DHA Guidelines)

B. Your child should also bring healthy food and **enough water** for the day.

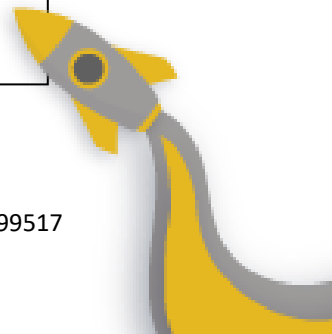
Put the food in clean containers with your child's name on them.

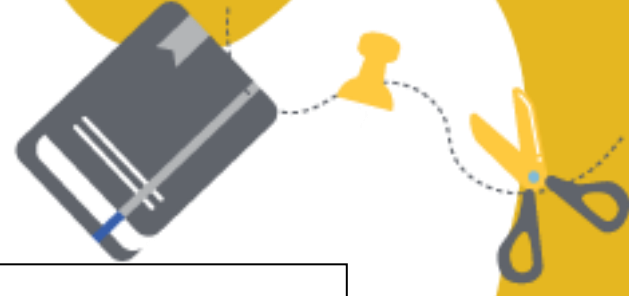
Your child should also have enough tissues or tissue boxes for personal use.

C. Books, devices & tools.

School books and notebooks for classroom use are provided by

the School. However stationary including 2 pencils and pens (where appropriate as for your child's teacher) should be provided. Tablets or Laptops should have been charged from the night before however charging cables should be provided.





3. Social Distancing

Protecting your child and others from possible infection should always be a top priority. Whether you bring your child to school or he/she rides the bus, please speak with your child about the following:

- Wear your masks at all times except when eating
 - Wash hands frequently with soap or hand sanitizer
 - Stay at least 1.5m from other children
 - Don't borrow from or lend any objects to other people
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- The beginning of the calendar year is an excellent time to teach your child about organization and our student planner is the perfect tool! Grades 3-4 students should be regularly using their planners to record not just homework or reading log but also their goals. The purpose of the planner is to help your child develop organizational skills and awareness as well as to help you see what your child is doing in school or is expected to do at home for homework

When your child or even the teacher has to remain at home due to illness, IXL becomes even more valuable than usual - if it's actually used! Please be sure that your child regularly uses IXL at home

