

Dear iSC Parents,

In the northern hemisphere, signs of spring are all around us - longer and warmer days, birds singing, and trees getting ready to blossom. As nature continues to follow its routines, we are hopeful that we will be able to return to ours in due time. We long to be back on-campus again with our students and staff enjoying the wonderful school communities that we love. Until that time, we hope you are safe and healthy and making the best of the current challenging situation.

It is now clear that we will not be able to resume on-campus activity by April 6. Our next targeted start date is April 13. Please keep in mind that we will not return to campus until we have been given permission to do so by our local authorities. When that happens, we will give you three weeks advance notice of our confirmed start date. Until then, we will continue to send an update letter to your inbox each Tuesday. As our plans and calendars change with the changing situation, these updates will keep you informed of our intentions. Here are a few important points for you to know:

- The Home-Based Learning (HBL) platform will continue to meet our learning needs until we return to campus.
- The previously scheduled Spring Break (April 6-10) is cancelled. We will be doing HBL during this week, except for April 10 which we will take as a holiday (Good Friday).
- Quarter 3 ends on March 27 and Quarter 4 begins on March 30. Grade reports for Quarter 3 will be processed after March 27. Discretion and flexibility will be used to ensure each student has adequate time to submit assignments and demonstrate learning. Teachers and divisional principals will be in contact with families and students during the grading period as needed.
- In addition to our already scheduled May 1 holiday, we do plan to designate May 4 a holiday, giving us a long weekend before the last month of the school year, ending on June 12.

Many iSC parents have expressed concern for the staff, students and families of the Wuhan school community in particular. We appreciate your concern for them and your thoughts and prayers on their behalf. It has certainly been a challenging situation filled with unexpected difficulty, but we are happy to report that all are healthy and continuing to persevere with courage throughout the ordeal. We are hopeful that restrictions will be lifted soon and that our staff and school families who have been under lockdown will be able to move about more freely.

Thank you for your continued support of and partnership with iSC schools for the education of your children. It is our blessing to serve your family.

Serving together,

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