



Stichting Haagsche Schoolvereniging

Dutch and International Primary Education

To the parents and guardians

The Hague, April 23, 2020

The government has decided to gradually reopen all primary schools according to the RIVM guidelines.

As always, we want to fulfill our educational task (social-emotional, cognitive and professional) as well as possible. In doing so, we want to limit the chance of passing on the coronavirus as much as possible. We strive for a safe school for students and employees.

We would prefer to provide every student with education throughout the whole week, but this is currently not possible. According to the guidelines, we are only allowed to offer part of the education. Only for IVIO, Lighthouse, Three Little Ships and Het Open Venster we see possibilities for a fully reopening sooner.

When making our planning, we look at:

- Safety of the students and teachers.
- Taxability / employability of the team.
- Practical matters, such as use of spaces.

Pick up and drop-off times may vary. Some locations prefer a number of full teaching days per week for the students, for other locations from an organisational point of view it could be better to work with half teaching days. Not all schools/departments will start exactly on 11/5, but all will start in the week of 11/5.

We would like to ask parents to respect the distance of 1.5 meters at pick-up or drop-off times after the May holiday and to not enter the school or schoolyard. Physical contact is not allowed. Employees have as little physical contact with the students as possible and try to keep 1.5 meters between themselves and the students, even if the latter will not always be possible.

Teachers can work if there are no symptoms of the Corona virus. Even with mild symptoms such as a cold, teachers should stay at home until they are free of symptoms for 24 hours, in accordance with the RIVM guidelines. This can also mean that students have to work on their school work at home if no replacement can be found. This could also happen if a teacher or his/her environment has underlying medical problems.



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Students can go to school if there are no symptoms of the coronavirus. Even with mild symptoms like a cold, they should stay at home until they are free of symptoms for 24 hours. If one or more family members have or have had serious complaints (fever and/or shortness of breath), all family members should stay indoors until everyone in the house is free from mild complaints (colds, runny nose, sore throat, mild cough, fever) for 24 hours. In this case children with mild complaints should not come to school.

Teachers and students wash hands regularly (minimum interval two hours per wash). Pupils receive daily instruction to wash their hands well. The students dry their hands with disposable paper towels. We ask you as parents to have your child's hands washed extra before coming to school. Students should not share food and take treats with them.

We want to regularly clean the surfaces which were in contact with hands. These are so-called contact points such as: surface of tables, toys, handles, railings, door handles, toilet seats, iPads and PC keyboards. Toilets should be cleaned at least twice a day. When a group is going to play outside, the class (tables, laundry room, etc.) is cleaned. Toilet will be regularly checked during the day. Trash cans are emptied on a daily basis.

Finally:

We see that the corona crisis has had a huge impact on society, the home situation and education. We are very proud of our teachers who have done their utmost in the past period to support the children as much as possible. And it will take a lot of organisational talent in the coming period to design the program until the summer holidays. I would like to express our great gratitude for this.

We realise that you as a parent will also have a major task in the coming period: after all, the children will unfortunately not be able to fully return to school for some time to come. We hope that everyone will continue to support each other under these circumstances.

Separately, you will receive more specific organisational information about the reopening per location from the heads of school.

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