

SUMMARY OIS POLICY COVID-19 (updated 22 Aug 2021)

RESTRICTIONS IN SCHOOL

- Our OIS team, limit their contact as much as possible and keep 1.5 meters distance from all adults. Between children and adults this doesn't apply. We request parents to also always keep 1.5 meters from all adults, also at the play yard
- We also limit the number of adults in the building, which is why parents aren't allowed in the building yet, except for individual appointments. Specialist teachers, trainees, volunteers, and support teachers (such as the speech therapist) are allowed at school. We have a triage in place for all visitors
- All staff who has not been fully vaccinated yet, do self-tests twice a week and we monitor our health closely. Vaccination is not compulsory.
- After school activities and school trips are possible under specific conditions. Beforehand all adults participating will be asked to do a self-test
- Groups of children can be mixed, for example during outdoor play
- Gatherings without 1,5 meters are not allowed, which is why we will run our general information session on 1 September online
- There are hygienic measures in place like washing hands, and ventilation throughout the school

CHILDREN WITH A COLD OR SYMPTOMS

- Children with minor cold symptoms, a small cough, asthma, or hay fever can come to school now. Children with minor cold symptoms can be tested as a precaution.
- In case of fever (38 degrees or higher), shortness of breath and serious cough children stay at home and should be tested.

WHAT HAPPENS IN CASE OF A COVID-19 INFECTION?

- In case of infection, all who have been within 1.5 meters of the infected person for more than 15 minutes are considered to be a close contact and need to go in quarantine for 10 days. Since this summer, persons who have been fully vaccinated more than 2 weeks before don't have to go in quarantine.
- Those in quarantine can make the quarantine shorter by getting tested after 5 days if they have no complaints. If the test is negative they can return to school.
- **When there is an infection at school**, the school, parents, and children follow the instructions of the GGD.
- In case of a class being sent home because of an infection we switch back to online learning if the teacher(s) is able to work.
- When a teacher is sick this teacher doesn't work. In that case children of his/her group stay home and there is no learning. In case of a prolonged absence of a teacher, we will provide adapted online learning.
- When a teacher is in quarantine, this teacher works from home and the children have online learning from home. We only work with substitute teachers (when available) in case of non-Corona related absence of teachers or like the situation this week where there hasn't been any contact and we consider the substitution 'safe'.
- In case class(es) need to stay home, we will use the class parents' app for fast notification, and we will send a Parro message at the same time. We might have a situation that we only know at 7.30 am that a teacher is absent.
- When teaching assistants or specialist teachers are sick there is no replacement. In case a specialist teacher is in quarantine, these lessons will be held online.
- After a period of online learning the school will prepare for starting up education at school. Children will not all return at the same time (quarantine time can be different and is depending on being tested or not).
- In case the school would be closed, the school must provide emergency care for parents who work in a crucial profession. All other parents will be requested to arrange care at home.