

## OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Luxembourg, 12th March 2020

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Dear Parents,

Faced with the growing number of COVID-19 infections in Luxembourg, the government has decided that all activities in the school and educational sector will be suspended from 16th to 29th March 2020. Public and private schools and training establishments as well as reception structures and boarding schools will remain closed during the two-week suspension.

This is a precautionary measure to avoid or delay the spread of the coronavirus in the general population. The actors of the education system thus participate in the common effort of society to protect the vulnerable and fragile population as much as possible.

Children and youth are less severely affected by COVID-19 infection.

The resumption of lessons according to the normal weekly schedule is scheduled for 30th March 2020. The situation will then be reassessed by the Health Department and the date of resumption of lessons may be adapted according to the evolution of the situation.

The end of the second school term is postponed until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020, two weeks after the end of the Easter holidays.

Class assignments originally scheduled between 16th and 29th March 2020 are rescheduled. Teachers will write the new dates for classroom assignments in the electronic class book.

A distance learning system to guarantee continuity of learning during the weeks of suspension will be set up by teachers, who will regularly offer students a work plan in order to structure autonomous learning situations.

With their IAM account (<http://iam.education.lu>) and free access to the Office 365 platform (<https://portal.education.lu/dcl>), teachers and students have the IT tools necessary for teaching and learning remotely regardless of the medium (iPad, Laptop, PC Desktop).

In order for all students to benefit as much as possible from the remote supervision system, it will be necessary to verify that access to the following services is guaranteed: IAM, Webuntis, e-mail (... @ school.lu) and electronic platform (Office 365). Students without an iPad, laptop, computer or internet connection at home will be identified and steps taken for them, so they can work at home.

Students are required to consult their electronic class journal (Webuntis) and their electronic messaging (@ school.lu) every day. They will have to follow the instructions which will be transmitted to them by the teachers and will have to carry out the tasks assigned to them independently at home.

This work will relate to the repetition of the contents seen in class and the preparation of the assignments in class to come, but also on the continuation of the programs, as far as possible.