

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

As of tomorrow, Tuesday, March 17, 2020, Tanarata International Schools will be closing our campus to students and families and using Google Meet as well as Teamie to deliver classes or worksheets.

We have decided to close due to a rapid increase in the number of positive COVID-19 cases in Malaysia and increasing concerns in our surrounding community and a significant levels of absenteeism within the school amongst students.

Moving forward,

1. The teachers will be fine tuning the use of Google meet from the school in the next couple of days. School teaching staff will be available via email, phone as well as Teamie during school hours to answer specific questions throughout this time period. If you or your child need to come to school for IT support or otherwise, the teachers may are available for help till Thursday.

2. **Year 10 and Year 11 exams will go one as scheduled from this Friday, 20 March.** (Timetables have been sent for this) . The students will be spread over 8 classrooms to write their papers to maintain a minimum social distance. The Cafeteria will be closed, so please bring your food from home.

3. Rest of the school was supposed to begin their Term II exams next week. We are postponing this for now. We will monitor how the situation progresses and take a call at a later date.

4. According to WHO, for effective mitigation of Covid - 19, 3 to 4 weeks of social distancing is essential. That will be just when our Term II break starts. So students will be home for a prolonged period.

5. If the situation changes, we will send an email and ask the students to return back to school earlier. As travel is restricted, please don't consider this is as vacation time. We are expecting all students to log on to the Google meet classes and be present online from tomorrow.

5. The schools Admin office will continue to be open during this time period.

6. Meanwhile at home too, practice good personal hygiene, wash your hands, sanitise, use tissues and stay home if you're feeling unwell so that you don't spread this disease.

As always do let me know if you have any concerns. These are unprecedented times. We need to work together to ensure our community stays safe.

Regards

Barnali Guha