

## September 17

Dear parents and students,

The first stretch of the year is now behind us, and we can all enjoy a long weekend... before getting back to school and enjoy a whole week holiday! We are again looking forward to inviting you all to our school, but to keep our children in a face-to-face learning environment and much-needed sports fixtures, we must stay vigilant and adhere to reasonable sanitary practices. We also understand the need to keep in touch with our parents, and this is why we are proposing the modified events below. We thank you all in advance for your adaptability in this persisting pandemic period.

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**Update on events:** We regret to inform you that, due to the current outbreaks, we can't hold our annual UPAZ Barbecue on September 24 as planned. We must postpone it once again to October 15. We understand, however, that there is an urgent need for teachers and parents to meet and greet and therefore, we are organizing **two "Meet and Greet" sessions on September 23 and 28 from 1:40 pm to 3:30 pm**, where parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's teacher in a cordial atmosphere. Here is an overview of the events ahead:

Date	Time	Event	Parents invited?	Event description
Thursday, September 23	1:30 to 3:30pm	Meet and Greet I	Yes, Please RSVP	Come and meet your child's teacher in a relaxed setting. The session aims at getting to know each other in a cordial atmosphere.
Friday, September 24	12:30-3:00	Peace Day	No, sorry	
Tuesday, September 28	1:00pm to 3:30pm	Meet and Greet II	Yes. Please RSVP	Come and meet your child's teacher in a relaxed setting. The session aims at getting to know each other in a

				cordial atmosphere.
Tuesday, September 28	All-day	GISEC Volleyball tournament	Minimal number. Please RSVP	
Wednesday, September 29	2:00pm to 3:30pm	CIS/WASC/IB ceremony and round table.	UPAZ Chairs only	Round table with parents, teachers, students, alumni, and media, discussing the high value of UISZ's education, recognized by CIS, WASC, and IB.
Friday, October 30 to Sunday, October 11	National Holiday/Golden Week			
Friday, October 15	All-day	Parent-Teacher Conference	Yes	Come and meet your child's teacher in a relaxed setting.
Friday, October 15	3:30pm to 6:30	UPAZ Bbq	Yes. Otherwise, the event will be postponed	
Monday, October 25	All-day	Sports Day (Primary)	Yes, as of now	
Tuesday, October 26	All-day	Sports Day (Secondary)	Yes, as of now	

Please note that to accommodate these postponed events, **the Week Without Walls outings planned in October have been reallocated to the backup date in March as indicated in the school's calendar.**

**Appointment: College Counsellor:** I am pleased to inform our parents of DP Students that our Head of Secondary, Mr Mohammed Zawid Naseem has been appointed College Counsellor for this academic year. Mr Mohammed has performed the same duties in his previous schools for over a decade. Please do not hesitate to contact him at any time.

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**Vaccination for foreigners of 12-17 years old:** We have just been informed by the Guangzhou Education Bureau that COVID-19 vaccination of foreign children will start imminently, under the responsibility of each District. A separate message should have been emailed to all parents or will be shortly with more details.