



# Pretoria Preparatory School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

### UPDATE RE SCHOOLS REOPENING IN TERM 1 2021

The Minister of Basic Education issued, in terms of the Disaster Management Act 57 Of 2002, Amended Directions for the reopening of independent and public schools for the 2021 academic year, on 22 January 2021.

*The Amended Directions state that independent schools must close and may only reopen for learners after a two-week period from the date of the pronouncement of the Department of Basic Education, which was 15 January 2021. This effectively means that independent schools cannot reopen for learners before **Saturday, 30 January 2021**. (ISASA Memo 22 January 2021)*

Pretoria Preparatory School will, should no further changes or directives be received from the DBE or ISASA, be ready for reopening for our learners to be on-site, on Monday, 01 February 2021.

Remote learning will continue to be addressed in preparation of any changes that could occur on the side of the DBE and to address the unfortunate possibility of the school/grade/class/individual or staff member having to go into quarantine.

A reminder regarding the process for re-opening on Monday, 01 February 2021:

Grades 4 to 7 are to arrive at school at 07:15 to start school at 07:30; and  
Grades 0 to 3 are to arrive at school at 07:30 to start school at 07:45.

Learners will be going straight to their own classes. We will not be able to admit any learners before 07:15.

Grades 0 to 2 must be collected at 13:15,  
Grade 3 must be collected at 13:30 and  
Grades 4 to 7 must be collected at 13:45.

We will continue with all the strict protocols in place:

- Learners to wear their masks to school;
- Social distancing to be adhered to;
- Sanitizing protocol to be followed at the start and end of school, in all venues and on the playgrounds;
- Temperatures to be taken at entrance to school;
- Registers to be completed;

- Breaks and PE will continue under strict supervision;
- Until further guidelines are received, only learners and staff will be permitted on the premises. Meetings will continue to be conducted telephonically or online. At this point, our parent information evenings will not be conducted at school. Booklets will be prepared by each grade teacher for your information;
- Learners can either wear uniform or civvies until further notice;
- Extramurals are in the process of receiving attention. We need to ensure that we meet all the requirements for all the activities. At this point we await directives from the department.
- Our Annual Assessments will be conducted in term 1 in 2021 and then again in term 3, 2021. Individual therapy sessions will only commence once the assessments have been completed;
- Grade 7 Assessments will also receive attention in term 1;
- There will be no assemblies and no extramurals at this point.

We look forward to seeing you on 1 February 2021.

Yours faithfully



Sherrill Wagenaar  
Principal

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