

# TAIPEI EUROPEAN SCHOOL 台北歐洲學校

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## **CEO Weekly Update**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As a learning community, we see many important changes to our school's operation this year, all with the aim to drive a better learning experience for all students in our care. In the next few months, we will begin to roll out important changes to our communication platforms, including our parents portals and school website.

### **PowerSchool Parent Portal**

The launch of the PowerSchool Parent Portal on Wednesday 21st October 2020 will lay the foundation for our digital transformation strategy that focuses on an enhanced parent experience. The PowerSchool Parent Portal will not only provide parents with a convenient way to access information about their children but act as a conduit between other systems that will be launched during the next quarter. We will be announcing functional enhancements over the coming weeks that will streamline the flow of information between home and school.

Key elements of the PowerSchool Parent Portal will include demographic data collection, report card access, absentee reporting, medicine consent, and re-registration.

Our digital transformation strategy encompasses systems, our web presence, communication channels and how we process, store and handle data. Further information will be sent by the Marketing & Communications Office with regard to access and the staggered implementation of the PowerSchool Parent portal.

### **Road Safety**

I would like to remind all to be more mindful when approaching both campuses during drop off and pick up hours. Please only drop your child off at the designated areas and not in the middle of the street at EPC or in the car park area at ESC. If you choose to send your child in on a taxi, please also give guidance to taxi drivers. Please remind your child to be cautious when getting out the vehicles. We understand the time pressures that parents are under and your other concerns during drop off and pick up; however children's safety is always our primary concern. We have a significant amount of traffic coming through both campuses every day; therefore we ask that all parents respect and cooperate with our provisions as they are set up to keep all students safe. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me directly.

### **Quarantine and Self-Health Management**

Yet another reminder to please be mindful when planning your upcoming Christmas Holidays. Anyone coming from overseas would have to follow government regulations on quarantine and self health management (in particular not going to public spaces). This would result in a 21 day period of not being

















with other community members. The same provision applies if a member of your household has travelled abroad as well. We finish school on the 18th December and return to class on the 11th of January. The majority of our staff, students and families will not have been overseas and so we will be running classes as normal. We all prefer in-class teaching. We cannot offer in-class teaching in parallel with digital learning. Closure and digital learning would only occur if the government policies or our medical advisors recommend closure on health and safety grounds.

### **Influenza Vaccination**

A gentle reminder that there will be doctors administering free flu vaccinations for our students Primary and Secondary students (Y1/CP/GK1 and above) on campus on November 18-20 for EPC and November 25-26 for ESC. Please remember to return the signed consent form to school by October 20th, whether you would or would not like your child to receive this free service. Please contact your section office if you have not received the information as the paper documents have gone home with your child earlier this week.

### ECCT/TES Beach Cleaning - Saturday October 17th @ Baisha Beach

Thank you for the families taking part in the community clean-up efforts tomorrow (over 100 sign ups)! As an eco friendly school, our efforts will together raise awareness and support to educate our children to be mindful of environmental issues. We are looking forward to seeing everyone tomorrow.

Sincerely,

David Gatley CEO Taipei European School













