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# School Newsletter

## (Newsletter 5)

### DEAR MCA FAMILY

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Finally, we are back at school and we thank God for His love and grace - we are safe under His wings. May God give you the courage to face the challenges posed by the pandemic - knowing that with Him, nothing is impossible. Let's continue to pray for a Covid-free MCA!!

### FOR YOU TO KNOW

As you plan for your child to return to school, please ensure the following has been done:

- a) You have filled in the questionnaire to indicate whether your child is returning or not (this is very important for us to plan for the use of space in line with social distancing regulations)
- b) Check if your child has all the textbooks issued this year - lost textbooks must be replaced immediately as there will be no sharing!
- c) You and your child have gone through the Orientation Pack (attached) so that you know what is expected from you or your child.
- d) You have provided the following items for personal use whilst your child is at school:
  - Face cloth (to wipe hands after washing) or a small packet of Wet wipes
  - Personal hand sanitiser (Although the school will supply paper towels and sanitiser, it is safe for your child to have these handy - there may be a need to use them).

Please watch [this video](#) by an educational psychologist on how to prepare your child for the return to school.

NO VISITORS are allowed on the premises and this includes parents, except for an ESSENTIAL MATTER (any matter which cannot be resolved telephonically). If you would like to meet any member of staff at MCA, you will have to make an appointment by calling 035 9401272 or sending a text message to 082 9050300. Please be advised that you will be asked / have to indicate the reason for your visit as it is required on the Visitor's register - this is part of the regulations.

### PLAN FOR SCHOOL RE-OPENING

MCA, in line with the government regulations on the re-opening of schools, will stagger the reopening and bring in learners in batches. Please see the plan and the grouping to be followed below:

Date/s	Grade/s	What for ...
08/06 to 12/06	11 and 6 ONLY	Lessons
15/06	School Holiday	(No school)
17/06	1, 4, 7, 8b, 9b	Orientation
18/06	3, 5a, 5b, 9a, 10	Orientation
19/06	R, 2, 8a, 8c, 9c	Orientation
From 22/06	All grades*	

- From the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June, the school will be divided into TWO groups which will come to school on alternate days - **SEE GROUPING BELOW:**

#### GROUP 1 - BLUE GROUP

Grades R1, 1A, 2A, 3A, 3C, 6, 7, 10, 11 and 12

#### ATTENDANCE DAYS:

Monday (in School uniform) and Wednesday (in Sport uniform)

#### GROUP 2 - MAROON GROUP

Grades R2, 1B, 2B, 3B, 4, 5, 8, 9 and 12

#### ATTENDANCE DAYS:

Tuesday (school uniform) and Thursday (Sport uniform)

Learners will be given notes to study and videos to watch at home on the days they are not attending. Almost all study material will be printed and electronic material will be downloaded at school. Other material will be posted on Class Dojo and other online platforms

**Fridays** will be reserved for online learners' live interactions, remedial work, revision, catch-up lessons and extra classes. Learners will come as per teachers' invitation for special classes.