

## **Queensway Secondary School**

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## Dear Parents / Guardians

With the end of the Circuit Breaker period on 1 June 2020, we will progressively bring students back to school from 2 June 2020 (Term 3), in a careful and safe manner.

For a start, students from Secondary 4 and 5 will attend school daily from Mondays to Fridays. Students from Secondary 1 to 3 will rotate weekly between Home-Based Learning (HBL) and returning to school for lessons. Please refer to the table below for the weekly rotation schedule.

| Week | In School                         | HBL            |
|------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| T3W1 | Secondary 1, 2, 4 & 5             | Secondary 3    |
| T3W2 | Secondary 3, 4 & 5                | Secondary 1, 2 |
| T3W3 | Secondary 1, 2, 4 & 5 Secondary 3 |                |
| T3W4 | Secondary 3, 4 & 5                | Secondary 1, 2 |

From Term 3 Week 5, we will work towards bringing all students back to school daily, if the situation permits. MOE will monitor the situation closely and we will inform all parents in due course.

Schools will ensure that safe management measures are in place to keep our students safe:

- Daily temperature-taking with additional visual and question screening will continue to be carried out for all students and staff. In addition, students and staff who are unwell, or who have adult household members on home quarantine / Stay Home Notice or have flu-like symptoms such as fever and cough, will be required to stay away from school.
- Schools will clean high-touch surfaces more frequently and disinfect the premises daily.
- Students and staff are required to wear their masks or face shields. These should not have offensive symbols
  or words on them.
- Students will practise frequent hand-washing throughout the school day and practice wipe down of tables and shared equipment after use.
- o Intermingling across classes and levels will be minimised.
- There will be fixed exam-style seating in classrooms and spaced seating in canteens or alternative venues.
- Our school has also staggered arrival, dismissal and recess timings to reduce congestion. Please refer to the table below.























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| Level     | Flag-raising in the classroom | Start time | Dismissal                                       |
|-----------|-------------------------------|------------|---|
| Sec 1     | 7.30AM                        | 7.45 AM    | 1.45 PM (Fri 12.45 PM)                          |
| Sec 2     | 8.00AM                        | 8.15 AM    | 2.15 PM (Fri 1.15 PM)                           |
| Sec 3     | 7.30AM                        | 7.45 AM    | 1.45 PM<br>(Wed 2.15PM – 3E only; Fri 12.45 PM) |
| Sec 4 & 5 | 8.00 AM                       | 8.15 AM    | 2.15 PM<br>(Wed 3.15PM – 4E only; Fri 1.15 PM)  |

To ensure that our students remain active and keep healthy, we will resume **Physical Education (PE)** lessons when they return to school, with strict adherence to safe management measures. During PE lessons, students and PE teachers will not be required to wear masks when engaged in strenuous physical activities such as running and workouts. Given that students may not be sufficiently prepared physically, the **National Physical Fitness Award (NAPFA)** this year will be cancelled.

For the upcoming examination for GCE O-Level mid-year Mother Tongue Language (MTL) examinations on 18 and 19 June 2020, we will also put in place the necessary safe management measures. Candidates will be required to wear masks or face shields during these examinations.

To reduce the risk of possible transmission, students on Home Quarantine Order, Stay-Home Notice and Leave of Absence will not be allowed to sit for these examinations. In addition, those who are on medical leave or unwell with flu-like symptoms (such as fever or coughing) will not be allowed to sit for the examinations. They will take the year-end examinations instead.

All **National School Games** competitions for 2020 will be cancelled, as there is insufficient time to complete the season within the school calendar. In addition, students would not be adequately prepared for the competitions due to lack of training.

Our teachers will continue to monitor the progress of your child and be in regular contact with you and your child to provide support during this transition. MOE will continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation. We urge you to rely on official sources of information and not to circulate any unconfirmed information. If you have any further queries, please contact Mr Yong Wei Leong, Vice-Principal (Administration) on telephone 64741421.

Thank you and keep safe!

Yours sincerely,

Peter Tan Chong Tze

Principal



















