



Liedekerke, Friday 21/01/2021

Subject: corona absences-distance learning

Dear parent (s)

I would like to inform you about the items below.

Reporting absences

If your child is absent, we ask that the school **in good time** you inform (preferably before the start of the school day at 8.25 am).

You can let us know your absence via one of the following options: By

- ⇒ **telephone*** via the number **053/46.33.00**.
- ⇒ At the **e-mail address** of the school: info@debij.be.
- ⇒ **Via** a message on the online **platform Smart School** to the classroom teacher.
- ⇒ By an **SMS** sending to our system on **0493/09.68.71**.

*We are currently getting a lot of phone calls. It is therefore possible that you have to try again before we can answer your call.

Quarantine due to corona

The coronavirus is currently hitting hard in our society due to the high number of infections, which causes a lot of positive tests and / or mandatory quarantines. Fortunately, we find that the virus does not currently make people seriously ill.

Many students at our school are also at home because one or more people within the family have tested positive.

We find this very annoying for the children because they cannot go to school, which means that schedules, lessons and structures get confused. We also realize that it is not easy for you as a parent(s) to organize everything at home. Unfortunately, it is still a difficult period that we have to go through and we hope that the guidelines will change in the near future, so that everything will become a bit more 'normal' in society.

Due to the many quarantines, it is not always possible for teachers to provide sufficient homework for home and also to teach the students in the classroom. It will therefore always be looked at what is possible to provide something for distance learning. If this is not possible, this will also be communicated. We will certainly look further internally at what care we can provide to update the children as soon as they come out of quarantine.



Targeted parent contact 3/2/2022

Due to the many absentees, not all children can optimally take the necessary final tests for the report or they have not yet seen certain subject matter. For some children in primary school, the report will therefore be communicated a little later as soon as everything has been taken correctly. In this way we want to give an objective report grade.

Due to the current guidelines, parental contact is targeted parental contact. Only when you are invited do you have to physically come to school to discuss the results.

For parents who do not receive an invitation, we believe the results are good and there are no significant concerns. If you wish to speak to the teacher at an older age, you will still be able to make an appointment with the class teacher. **More information about this will follow in a parent letter.**

Vaccination corona

We get a lot of concerned questions about vaccinating a **corona vaccine** at school. I will once again through this road that we (neither the school nor the CLB) do at school **NOT place** inform you corona vaccines and do not intend to.

As a parent you will receive an invitation from the vaccination center. It is your decision as a parent to agree or decline.

We do call on not to refuse the regular free vaccinations by the CLB of vaccines for serious diseases from the past. For primary education, this concerns:

- 1st grade - 6 years: polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough.
- 5th grade - 10 years: measles, mumps, rubella.

You will also receive an invitation with a consent form from the CLB for this. This is always included in the book bag.