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RE: New Corona regulations starting today

Dear Parents,

Since 24.November 2021 on the new regulations of the Infection Protection Act have come into force. An essential part of this federal regulation is the binding measure that "3G" applies at any workplace. Every employee must prove that they are fully vaccinated, recovered, or tested daily. Of course, this also applies to our staff members and will contribute significantly to the protection of all those involved.

We will continue the three weekly tests at home for the students who have not been vaccinated or recovered. If there is a suspected case due to a positive self-test in a learning group, however, we increase the safety measures and test frequency. The entire class is then tested – including the vaccinated and recovered students - at home for five consecutive school days.

The school continues to provide the test kits. All negatively tested and symptom-free students and students usually can continue with regular lessons in school; contact tracing in the school context can be avoided.

To minimize the spread of infections into schools by visitors, we will also significantly increase the safety precautions.

Events such as Advent celebrations, Christmas concerts, theatre performances, etc., can take place, but without external visitors, including parents and siblings.

We highly recommend contacting us for online meetings for parents' talks. If this is not possible, meetings will take place under 2G plus- rules (only those vaccinated or recovered and presenting a negative test certificate of the day).

Lower Saxony aims to avoid small-step adjustments in the coming days and weeks and gives schools more planning security and has therefore decided on strict regulations.

Considering the growing risk of infection, the Ministry of Education has prohibited all class trips with sleepovers until the end of January; an extension may be possible.

It is necessary to critically consider the educational benefits and the risk of infection on-site for day trips and excursions.

An earlier start of the Christmas holidays, which is currently discussed in the media, is not yet decided.

The Government of Lower Saxony will re-evaluate the situation at the beginning of December and communicate their decision. As a school in Lower Saxony we also have to follow the current measures.

Finally, primary students from Year 1 need to wear their masks again at all times inside the building and when seated.

We all hope that these measures contribute to keeping our school a safe place.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Stay healthy and optimistic.

Best regards,



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(Head of School)