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Subject Re opening of kindergartens

We would like to inform you the following:

1. By decision of the Ministry of Education, it has been decided to re-open the kindergartens from 9th until 26th of June. A relevant circular has been posted on the ministry's website, dated 3rd of June 2020. (There is also a link in our webpage, <u>Category Updates</u>)

The reopening of the kindergartens and the return of the children will take place with the implementation of the Health Protocols, in the context of the prevention and precautionary measures taken to deal with the pandemic by the new Coronavirus (COVID-19). For this purpose, the Health Protocol for Primary Schools is applied (http://enimerosi.moec.gov.cy/ypp10787), as well as the supplementary Health Protocol for Kindergartens, which have been prepared in collaboration with experts of the Ministry of Health (ΠΑΡΑΡΤΗΜΑ A' of the above specific circular).

Also, in this circular there are information posted by the Educational Psychology Service about parents, related to the handling of the coronavirus ($\Pi APAPTHMA \Gamma'$). We recommend that you consult these.

Related to the above decision, we would like to inform you the followings:

1. Beginning:

The children will attend school in two groups, group A and group B.

Group A' will attend school at 9, 10, 12, 22, 23, 24 and 25 of June.

Group B' will attend at 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 26 of June

According to the instructions of the Ministry of Education, the separation of children was based on an alphabetical order of their surname. Teachers will inform you about your child's attendance group by telephone calling on 4h and 5th of June.

2. Schedule:

The School will be open from 07:30 to 13:05.

Full Day school will not re-open

3. Attendance of children in kindergarten:

For the purpose of proper observance of the Health Protocol and supervision and based on relevant instructions of the Ministry of Education, please keep the time frame of the morning attendance of the children, which starts at 7:30 a.m. and ends at 8 p.m.

Please children not arrive at school before 7.30 and do not delay their arrival beyond 8.

You will enter from the new, separate entrance of the kindergarten and not from the entrance of the primary school.

The director of the kindergarten will pick up the children at the entrance and the parents will leave immediately without entering the kindergarten.

4. **Parents do not allow to enter the kindergarten.** Any communication with the staff will done by phone, by e-mail, through the mailbox or by the communication box located at the entrance of the school.

In exceptional cases where one needs to enter the kindergarten, hygiene and distance rules as also with calendars will be kept with the places of visit and the contacts he had.

5. Leaving school:

To avoid overcrowding, there will be a gradual withdrawal of children.

Specifically, **Class 1** will leave at 12.55

Class 2 will leave at 13:05

The director of the school will be on the entrance gate in order to inform the school assistant about the children who will leave. The school assistant will guide the children to the exit, to the director and the parents will receive them without entering the school.



The children are given to a staff member at the entrance, upon arrival, and are picked up from the same place upon departure. In any occasion you don't leave them alone to enter school.

6. Preventive health measures

In case that a child develops symptoms of a respiratory infection, he/she should stay at home and parents / guardians should inform the school by phone and contact their doctor pediatrician. For safety reasons, please check your child for fever <u>daily and before coming at school</u>. This measurement will be more reliable at this time.

In case that a child has symptoms during his / her stay in the kindergarten, he / she will be taken to a special room that will be provided for isolation and his / her parents will be informed to come to receive him/her.

7. Children have to carry food, fruit and water from home. The food and fruit should be ready for consumption, without wraps and cut, so that the intervention of the kindergarten teacher or school assistant is not needed for this purpose. Place in tightly closed containers, with no need to be refrigerated. The water should be in an individual bottle.

Please, each child to bring with him/her 2 bottles of water with them.

We would like to assure you that all the staff of the kindergarten is preparing appropriate to welcome the children back to school, following the instructions given by the Ministry of Education and the Security and Health Protocols. Our first and foremost priority is to protect everyone's health.

Therefore, the program that will be implemented will be differentiated, with the use of individual equipment for each child, demarcation and marking of spaces, application of social distance as well as the application of hygiene rules that will continue.

We are sure that the cooperation and mutual understanding between us will lead to our safe return to school!

Thank you for your cooperation

