

То	:	All Parents, Jordan Centre and Lai Chi Kok Centre
From	:	Stella Wong, Executive Director
Re	:	Suspension of Service from 1 <sup>st</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> April and Resumption of Face to Face Service from 19 <sup>th</sup> April
Date	:	25 <sup>th</sup> March, 2022
Circular No	:	WDM018/22

Dear Parents,

## Warm greetings from Watchdog!

Since the fifth wave of Covid-19 hit Hong Kong, we have seen the rapid and exponential growth in the number of COVID-19 cases. Lately, it is noted that the growth has slowed down and apparently is reaching a plateau. We hope to see a continual drop in cases. As you are aware, the government has recently announced various measures targeting to cease the transmission of the COVID-19 cases. Watchdog will be implementing measures similar to the government, with the aim of maximizing opportunities for our children's face to face training. Hence, we would like to ask you to take special note of the following changes and arrangements:

# **Resumption of Face to Face Training Sessions**

In light of the EDB's announcement of resumption of schools for kindergartens on April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, all our training sessions, including both group sessions and individual training, will also resume being on <u>face to face basis</u> from the same date.

# Rearrangement of Summer Holidays into two Block Periods: April and August

We have rearranged our summer holidays into two block periods - the  $1^{st}$  block to be from April  $1^{st}$ - $14^{th}$  and the  $2^{nd}$  block to be from August  $15^{th}$ - $26^{th}$ . This means that we will have a shorter summer break in August and the **2022/23 school year will begin on August 29<sup>th</sup>**, **2022**.

## **Extending Our Summer Programme**

Our summer programme will start on July 19<sup>th</sup> as per our 2021/22 calendar. However, we will extend the program date by one week, to end on <u>August 12<sup>th</sup></u> to provide more face to face training sessions for our students at that time. We anticipate that by then, COVID-19 infection rates being hopefully more contained, face to face trainings will pose a lesser risk to our children.

#### **Summary of Important Dates**

April 1 - 14<sup>th</sup> Summer Holiday Part 1 (inclusive of the Easter break)

April 19<sup>th</sup> Resumption of Face-to-Face Training Sessions

July 15<sup>th</sup> Last Day of school year 2021/22

August 15<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Summer Holiday Part 2

August 29<sup>th</sup> First Day of school year 2022/23

Nevertheless, as we all understand, uncertainties remain under the COVID-19 situation and the government policies that may be rolled out in the coming months cannot be predicted. Therefore, we will regularly review the situation and keep you updated of the arrangements regarding our service provision. In the meantime, let us all work together to combat infections by each playing our role to minimize social contacts to cease the transmission chain and its associated clusters.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call *Ms Viola, Centre In-charge (Jordan Centre) at 23779666 or Ms. Clara, Project Coordinator (OPRS Lai Chi Kok Centre) at 25230006.* 

Best regards,

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