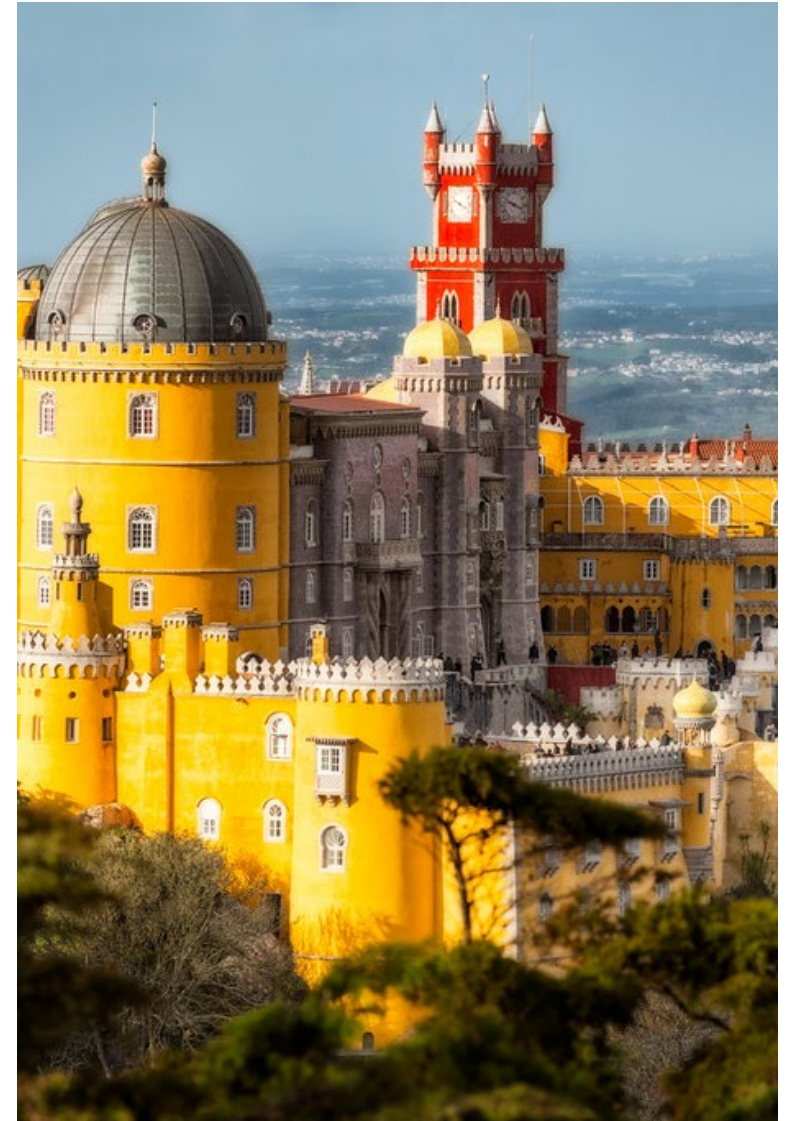# It all began with our founder, M. Crist Fleming

"We must fulfill the TASIS mission of training the young to care and to care on a global scale, to care for the vast number of fellow human beings far less fortunate than they whom we must not abandon, if we expect to live in a world at peace."

- Speech to parents, 1979

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Tonight's Expert Panel

1. **Keith Chicquen**, Headmaster

2. **Andrea Balazs**, Director of Studies

3. **Erica Herro**, Director of Learning & Assessment

4. **Bill Brooks**, Teacher

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Remote Learning 2020-2021 Planning Timeline

MAY
Planning

➤

JUNE
Safety

➤

JULY
Pilot Test

➤

AUGUST
Train Faculty

➤

SEPTEMBER
Welcome Students

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Tonight's Topics

1 The Technical Platform(s)
- What are they?
- What equipment do families need?
- Training (faculty, students, parents)?

2 The Importance of Staying Connected
- Different needs at different ages
- Social and emotional learning

3 The Schedule
- What does e-learning look like for PK/K students? Early Elementary? Middle School?

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Technology

Andrea Balazs
Director of Studies

Platform(s): What & Why

Microsoft® Office 365 **Connects Everything**

- Authentication SSO source
- Share Point Student Intranet
- Booking 1:1 time with teacher
- Teams
  - Communication channel
  - Video conferencing
  - Attendance
  - Student work submission & teacher feedback
  - Shared class resources
  - OneNote Class notebook
  - Whiteboard
- Productivity Tools
  - Word
  - Sway

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Platform(s) What & Why

ManageBac **Curriculum Management Platform**

- Parents can access unit plans
- Students can access Tasks & Resources
- Work submission and teacher feedback
- All work collected as digital portfolio
- Goal setting & reflections

iSAMS **Our School Management System**

- Parent Portal/Parent App
- Student Portal/Student App
  - Daily Bulletin
  - Messaging
  - Timetables

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Platform(s) What & Why

nearpod **Offline Lesson Creation**

- Pre-recorded teacher video
- PHET simulations
- Web content
- Virtual field trips
- Slides
- Documents
- Quiz
- Open-ended questions
- Different activities

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Required Technology at Home

Any of the following devices:

- Laptop (PC or Mac)
- Desktop (PC or Mac)
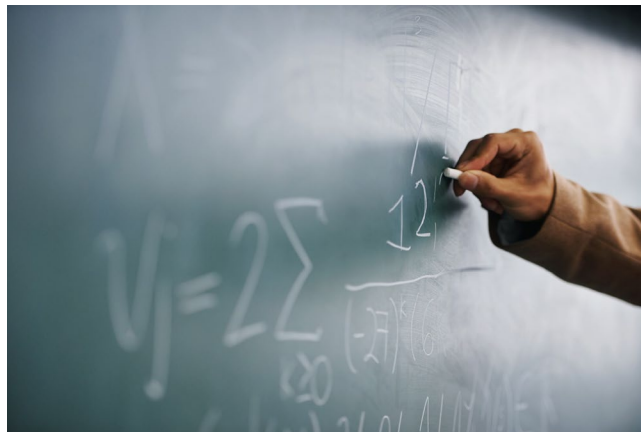- iPad
- Android Tablet
- iPhone/Android Phone

Recommended:
Printer – especially for the younger learners – as worksheets and other activities will require printing.

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Training Faculty/Staff & Families

FACULTY/STAFF

- TASIS Portugal faculty & staff will have a month of training prior to the start of school

- TASIS Portugal faculty provided with new laptops (MacBook Air) and iPhones to ensure they have the tools they need to deliver online learning.

PARENTS/STUDENTS

- Manuals provided for parents and students
- Recorded training videos
- Daily Schedule available via iSAMS (app for your smartphone makes it user friendly!)
- Microsoft Teams Live Events to provide real-time support
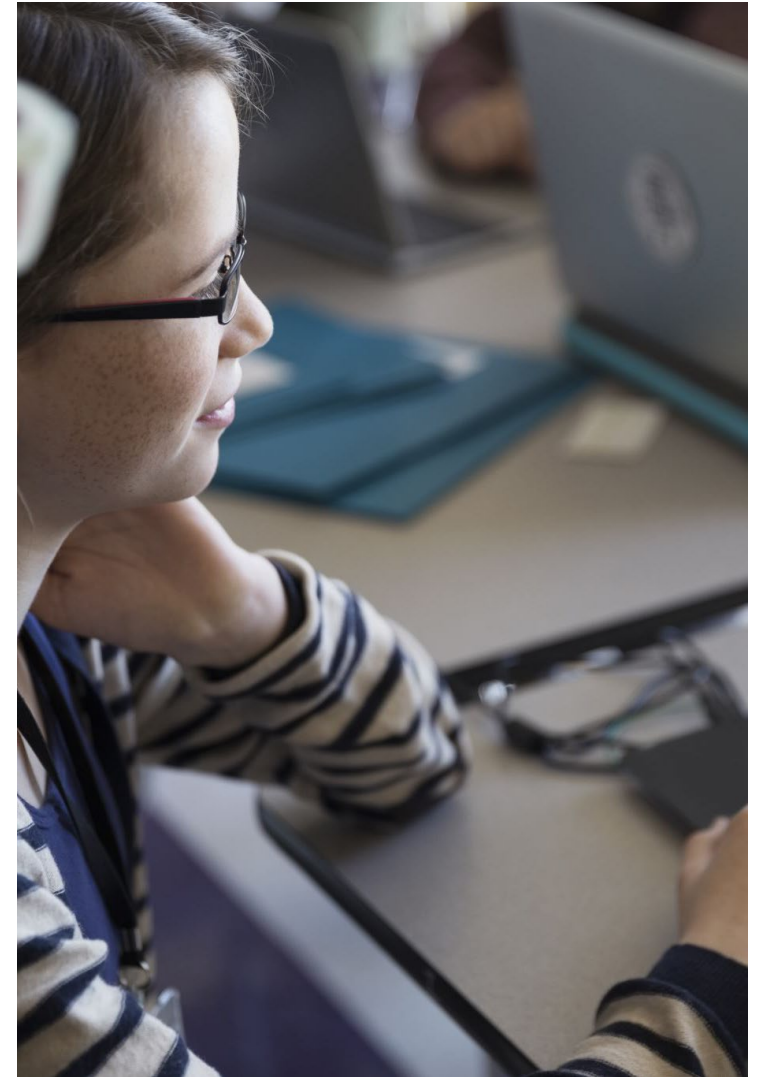- HelpDesk Hours offered by TASIS Portugal IT team

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Connecting

Erica Herro, Director of Learning & Assessment
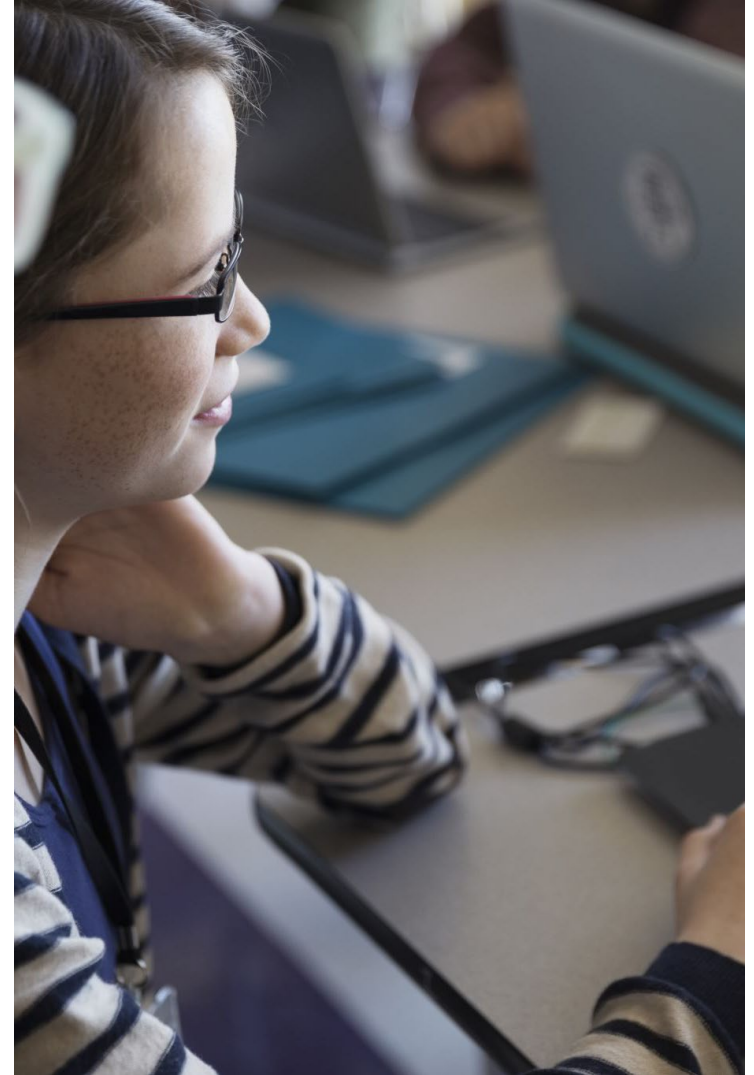
Bill Brooks, Teacher

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Virtual Assignments that Build Connection PK & Elementary

- Morning meeting share opportunities

- Theme days like Pajama Day

- Video of STEM projects in action so classmates can see others in action

- Learn how to write a letter and send it by snail mail to a classmate

- Work with an assigned partner on a project. Connect outside of class

- Chat and color meetings to just hang out

- Virtual field trips

- Virtual art shows

- Virtual choir performances

- Virtual assemblies

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Virtual Assignments that Build Connection Middle School

- Consistency through regularly timed messages home, advisory meetings, and class check-ins
- Virtual field trips & online scavenger hunts
- Spirit week & physical activity challenges (e.g., steps)
- Online games – improv, charades, or boardgames through 3rd party sites
- Live class trivia game shows
- Student-hosted hobby webinars
- Polls
- Video, poem, or quote of the day
- Short story or Ted Talk of the week
- Online movie watch parties

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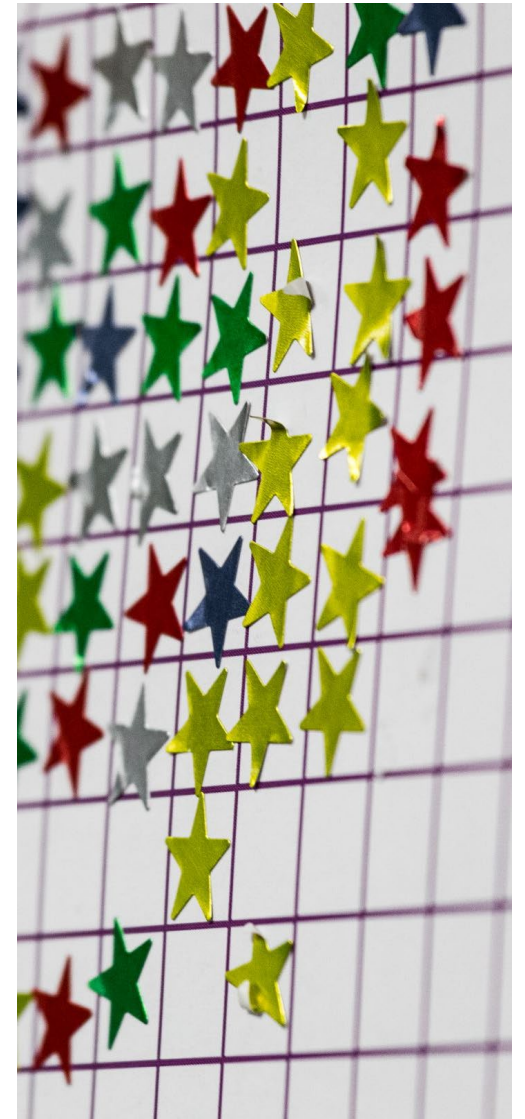# Bill's Example: Grade 6 Historical Fiction Class

- **The Problem:** Marked decrease in student participation in the final 2 weeks before exams

- **The Solution:** We used Microsoft Teams (and a little friendly competition between sections) to have students select a text for independent reading.

- **The Result:** Competitiveness + connectedness helped get 80 students connected to a HF text in less than a week. More importantly, we regained a sense of community and connectedness.

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Daily Schedule

Erica Herro

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Daily Schedule "Must Haves"

- Daily face-to-face time with teachers (whole group and small group)
- Synchronous class meetings
- Flexible schedule for Grades PK-3
- Classes from 9:00 am - 2:15 pm for Grades 4-7
- At-home learning materials (print and digital)
- Additional 1:1 time with teachers, learning specialists, and advisors
- Regular 1:1 parent teacher communication
- Virtual arts, music, foreign language, physical education, and electives
- Virtual assemblies
- Virtual field trips

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DRAFT Schedule Pre-K

Time	Subject	Activities
9:00-9:15	Virtual Morning Meeting	
Variable	Literacy	Read aloud and reading log Comprehension prompts Phonics (digital and print options) Reading journal
Variable	Math	Hands on activity Concrete-pictorial-abstract practice (digital and print options)
Variable	Handwriting and Fine Motor Skills	Hands-on activity Paper/pencil practice
Variable	STEM	Hands-on activity Virtual field trip Cross-curricular connection
10:00-10:15	Virtual Lesson with Classroom Teacher	Daily
10:20-10:50	Virtual Physical Education	3 times per week
11:00-11:30	Virtual Dance/Art/Music Virtual Foreign language	2-3 times per week
12:00-3:00	1:1 Virtual Check-in w/Teacher	2-3 times per week

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DRAFT Schedule 1st Grade

Time	Subject	Activities
9:00-9:15	Morning Meeting in Teacher's Virtual Classroom & word of the day	Theme Days Every Friday
9:15-10:05	Reading in small groups in teacher's virtual classrooms. Sight words, phonics, fluency and comprehension	Digital extension through online platforms
10:05-10:30	Break	
10:30-11:30	Math with recorded teacher lesson Fluency warm up, math assignment, Problem of the Week, family math game	Small group check-in once a week Digital extension through online platforms Finished work is uploaded to teacher Dropbox and feedback is provided.
11:30-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-1:00	Writing with recorded teacher lesson Handwriting, writing prompt, editing	Small group check in once a week Finished work is uploaded to teacher Dropbox and feedback is provided.
1:00-1:15	Quiet Time/Outside Time	
1:15-1:30	Foreign Language in teacher's virtual classroom	Digital extension through online platform
1:30-2:30	On-on-one teacher virtual check-in Art Dance Music virtual lesson/recorded lesson P.E. virtual lesson/ recorded lesson	2-3 times per week 2-3 times per week 1 time per week / 3 times per week
2:30-3:00	STEM with recorded teacher lesson Project-based learning Virtual field trips	Small group check-in once a week Finished work is uploaded to teacher Dropbox and feedback is provided.
3:00-4:00	Afterschool activities in teacher's virtual classroom STEM, art, service learning, and many more	Optional

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DRAFT Schedule 7th Grade

Time	Virtual Class
9:00-9:30	Math
9:30-10:00	History
10:00-10:15	Snack/Break
10:15-10:45	P.E.
10:45-11:15	English
11:15-12:30	Lunch Break
12:30-1:00	Foreign Language
1:00-1:30	Art, Music & Theater
1:30-2:00	STEM
2:00-2:15	Advisory
2:15-3:15	Office hours/one-on-one teacher check-ins

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