



# Blended Learning Plan

*Whole School  
2020/21*

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# What does the ISB Blended Learning Plan look like?

## Junior School (EC1 - Grade 5):

Our Junior School students, including Grade 5, all attend Face-to-Face lessons, but in modified classes (class size reduced to no more than 15 students in a class) - this is done by reassigning some Specialist Teachers as Class Teachers. Cross-class contact is minimised, and students remain with their class teacher for all lessons. Specialist lessons (PE, Music, Art, German) are conducted online while students remain in their classroom with their main teacher. Lunch and break are modified to reduce cross-group contact. Starting and ending times are staggered, and additional health and safety measures are in place, including daily temperature taking and an enhanced hand-washing programme. All in-class learning will be shared via our Shared Learning Plan, allowing at-home students to follow the learning done at school.

## Middle School (Grade 6 to 8)

Grade 6 to 8 cohorts will be divided into two. These halves attend school on alternate days. The teaching timetable is repeated on successive days, with each student attending the first day in an independent learning mode at home and the second day following a Face-to-Face mode at school. Teachers will prepare every lesson in two parts: Part 1 is an independent online lesson (at home); followed on the next day by Part 2 the Face-to-Face lesson (at school). This means that a normal one week timetable will now take two full weeks - with each two weeks consisting of one full week of independent learning and one full week of Face-to-Face lessons. All planned learning will be shared via our Shared Learning Plan, allowing at-home students to follow the learning done at school.

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IL = Independent Learning (at home)

F2F - Face-to-Face Onsite Learning (at school)

Due to the complexity of the timetable, it is not possible to keep students in one class for all classes. Instead, students will continue to move from class to class throughout the school day in many subjects. We will, however, work to reduce student contact in the following ways:

- 1 Classes will move in a controlled fashion within the school. Additional cleaning protocols will be used in shared classrooms. Students may also be required to wear masks when moving outside a classroom.
- 2 There will be staggered start, end, break and lunch times for Grade 6 to 8.

## While in school, cross-class contact will be significantly reduced in the following ways:

- 1** Students will largely remain in one classroom and teachers will move from class to class.
- 2** German, French and Spanish, which are taught in mixed groups according to language levels, will continue to be taught online, taking place in the students' class group, under the supervision of one of the language teachers.
- 3** Specialist classes will continue to be taught in specialist rooms, but classes will move in a controlled fashion within the school (one stairwell for traffic going up, and another for traffic going down). Additional cleaning protocols will be used in shared classrooms.
- 4** There will be staggered start, end, break and lunch times for Grade 6, 7 and 8.

## Senior School (Grade 9 to 12)

As in Middle School, Grade 9 to 12 cohorts will be divided into two. These halves attend school on alternate days. The teaching timetable is repeated on successive days, with each student attending the first day in an independent learning mode at home and the second day following a Face-to-Face mode at school. Teachers will prepare every lesson in two parts: Part 1 is an independent online lesson (at home); followed on the next day by Part 2 the Face-to-Face lesson (at school). This means that a normal one week timetable will now take two full weeks - with each two weeks consisting of one full week of independent learning and one full week of Face-to-Face lessons. All planned learning will be shared via our Shared Learning Plan, allowing at-home students to follow the learning done at school.

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IL = Independent Learning (at home)

F2F - Face-to-Face Onsite Learning (at school)

Due to the complexity of the timetable, it is not possible to keep students in one class for any part of their programme. Instead, students will continue to move from class to class throughout the school day. We will, however, work to reduce student contact in the following ways:

- 1 Classes will move in a controlled fashion within the school. Additional cleaning protocols will be used in shared classrooms. Students may also be required to wear masks when moving outside a classroom.
- 2 There will be staggered start, end, break and lunch times for Grade 9 to 12.



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