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### CEO Weekly Update

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been good to see that we have been able to have school operating relatively normally for the first half term. For your children it has been pretty much business as usual with a few minor changes. I know that I keep repeating this but we are so lucky to be here in Taiwan and nothing brings the point over more than when I talk to Heads in other parts of the world. And so I wish everyone in our community a restful fall break. Please remember to wear a mask, wash your hands often, maintain social distancing, avoid crowds and stay safe.

In order to not 'cancel all fun' we really want to run the Christmas Bazaar even if it is in a reduced format. It does mean that we have to be very vigilant on the day and so I wish to ask all of you to respect our regulations so that we can all feel safe and comfortable.

#### **Christmas Bazaar 2020 - November 28th 10:00am - 4:00pm @EPC.**

Preparations for the annual Christmas Bazaar are underway, and this year there are a few adjustments given the COVID-19 protective considerations.

- The event is open to the TES community only.
- Pre-registration online (inc. Self-health declaration) email to be sent out November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Entry Permits to be issued following pre-registration (so remember to pre-register online).
- Students will bring the permits home week of November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Entry by permit only - don't forget to bring it (otherwise will need to re-register at the gate). All permits must be filled out by the holder.
- All visitors and staff are 'on mask' for the event, please bring your own mask.
- Designated eating areas, Cafeteria, Outdoor field - tables + space designated to picnic (bring picnic blanket if you wish). Families can eat together.

All other activities are the same as normal - amazing student performances, food vendors, Christmas market (all outside) and the Student-run games area.

We want to thank the PSC for their work and enthusiasm to get the event ready, there will be opportunities for parents to sign up to help PSC stalls.

Please make sure you sign up and bring the family to support your children and have a great Christmas feeling in lieu of not being able to return home for many and the lack of other on-site school events.



### PowerSchool Demographic Update

We initiated the first phase of the PowerSchool Parent Portal launch on Wednesday. Thank you to all those parents who have already completed the demographic update and have provided additional emergency contacts. With PowerSchool being the central data repository it is essential that we maintain accurate, updated demographic and contact information that pertains to your child/ren. To do this we require your support to review the information that we have on record and request that you update changes to ensure that we can reach you during emergencies or situations that require direct parent interaction.

Please be reminded that we aim to complete the initial data collection and validation phase by **Friday 6th November**. We will utilise the data in one of our upcoming scheduled emergency preparedness communications.

Please note that the PowerSchool Parent Portal will be unavailable between **1300hrs-1700hrs** on **Tuesday 27th October** due to network upgrades that are taking place to facilitate Teaching and Learning.

Should you have not received the email containing your access credentials, be unable to access PowerSchool, or have questions please contact [powerschool@tes.tp.edu.tw](mailto:powerschool@tes.tp.edu.tw)

Sincerely,

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