

# TAIPEI EUROPEAN SCHOOL 台北歐洲學校

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## **CEO Weekly Update**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we enter the last month before we break for Christmas with many festive events and holiday planning in preparation, there are a couple of health and safety reminders for our community.

#### **Travel & Holidays Planning**

Our school, as since January this year, has always taken a more cautious position when setting up our COVID-19 preventative measures. We have had a steady but small stream of requests to relax our requirements; however we have chosen to remain vigilant in order to mitigate any potential risk. We understand this is inconvenient for the families affected; however our school will always err on the side of caution when making these decisions because of the international nature of our community as well as schools being considered public space where many other families are involved.

We know that many community members are considering travelling, as it has indeed been quite a long time away from home for many of you. We do hope to remind again the possible consequences to your travel planning so you can plan accordingly to meet each of your personal needs. The requirement to stay away from campus for three weeks (two weeks of quarantine and one week of self health management) if the student, or any member under the same household, has travelled abroad, will be strictly enforced. We expect all students to return to school on 11th January 2021, and there will not be special curriculum accommodations for the student arriving late due to travel quarantine. The risks of infection from overseas travel has never been higher than it is now, so please do consider all factors when planning your holidays.

#### Christmas Bazaar November 28th 10am - 4pm

We know the Christmas Bazaar is very close when the Key stage 3 Choir make a visit to ICRT radio station to sing for the ICRT listeners across Taipei, which they did beautifully yesterday (Photos on Facebook). Well done girls!

The online pre-registration has now reached over 700 families. If you have not booked your tickets, please <u>register</u> now as the form closes today! Next week the tickets will be sent home with your children. If you don't pre-register, please be prepared for long delays to enter.

















Key messages:

- 1. Remember to fill the ticket out for each person coming and don't forget to bring them on the day for you quick access.
- 2. Remember to bring your mask.
- 3. If you haven't registered online, there will be some computers to do so on the day but this could cause you and your group long delays at entry as I wrote earlier.

Given the present state of the world we are extremely lucky to be able to hold this event and so we ask everyone's help to follow these preparations to make it a smooth event (many annual school Christmas Bazaars won't be happening around the world so come and enjoy the one that will happen!)

### Inoculations

The EPC flu vaccination administration has been completed successfully. It is great to see our students demonstrating the values of respect, courage and compassion towards the professional doctors and nurses supporting the administration and to their peers. If your children signed up, then they will bring home a slip today outlining the follow-up care instructions.

Sincerely,

David Gatley CEO Taipei European School













