

19 February 2021

School Newsletter



Important Dates

February

17 SO Nominations

22 Students Return to Campus - 3 to 9 year olds only

26 End of Quintile 3

March

2 Director Chat (Teams is the topic) & PSG Meeting - Online at 7 PM ([Click here to join the meeting](#))

Director's Letter

Dear QSI Families,

Next week will be the first day of the changes in distance learning plan and schedule. As shared last week, the following adjustments will occur on Feb 22nd:

- 3-9 year olds will return to campus for face-to-face instruction
 - they should bring multiple masks
 - dress children in layers due to windows being opened frequently to air out the room
- 10 year olds to Secondary 4 will remain with distance learning
 - They should note that distance learning classes start at 8:20 AM
 - Period 1 and period 7 changed days. They should refer to the schedule shared last week.

We are excited to take this first step into opening the campus, We cannot wait for the COVID cases to drop further in numbers so the rest of the school can return to face to face instruction.

Next week will conclude our 3rd quintile for the year. This means that another status report will be sent out to families at the end of February. As you review the grades, know that you can ask the teachers about any of the marks your child received. We are here to help understand the Mastery Learning grading system.

With the 3rd quintile concluding, it is the time of the year that the school starts preparing for the next academic school year. The preparations involve making sure the classroom supplies, textbooks and schedules meet the needs of students returning. To support this preparation process, a re-enrollment period helps the school anticipate the needs for 2021-2022. Please complete the below re-enrollment form to indicate if your family will be returning or departing QSI. This will help us craft the best learning experience for your children.

In addition to preparing for next year, if you know any new families moving to this area and considering our school, please do not hesitate in connecting the families directly with me via e-mail. While relocating can be exciting, moving to a new location can also be stressful. The school is available to help future students with the transition. Before people arrive, I can arrange:

- A video conference with families to answer questions
- Introduction meetings with teachers
- Arrange for pen pals between incoming students and student currently enrolled

Some of the above approaches were used last year. The feedback from the families was that it helped. Should any potential family express interest, please communicate to them that the school is available to make the transition to Germany smooth.

If you have any questions about the above information, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Garner

QSI 2021-2022 Re-enrollment

You can access the re-enrollment form through a [separate link here](#) or the imbedded form below.

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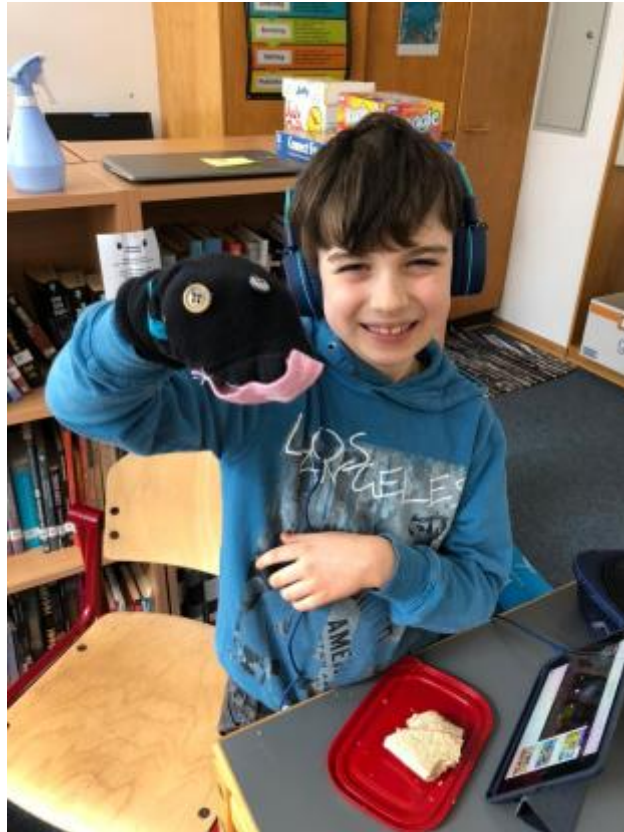
Elementary Success Orientation Day

The 3-9 year old students explored a variety of activities this week to focus on the school's Success Orientations. Below are pictures the students shared. Great job students! Success Orientations are used everywhere.









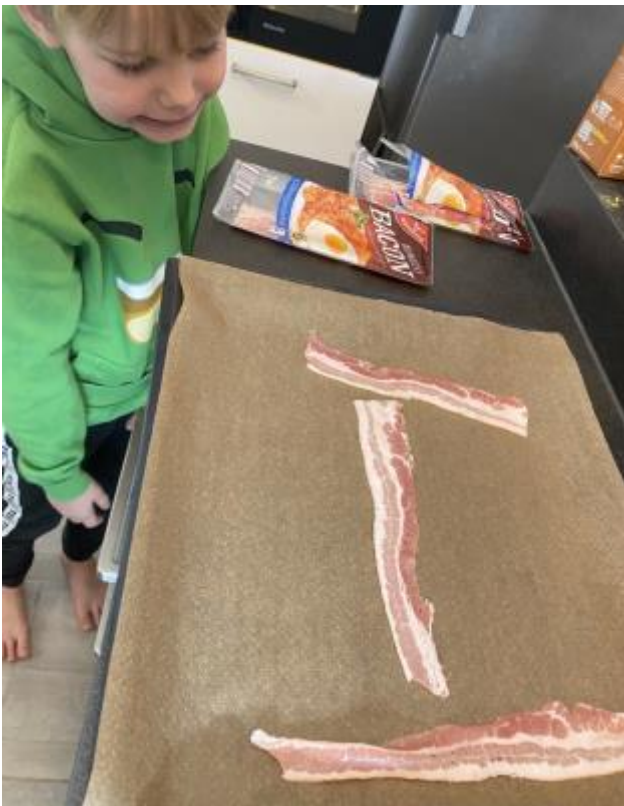












INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOR



TRUSTWORTHINESS



CONCERN FOR OTHERS



RESPONSIBILITY



GROUP INTERACTION



KINDNESS & POLITENESS



AESTHETIC APPRECIATION



Parent Support Group (PSG) Contact

The QSI Parent Support Group is available on WhatsApp and Facebook.

WhatsApp: Contact Mrs. Lawes at lauralawes@outlook.com to be added to the WhatsApp group.

Facebook: You can find the PSG Facebook page at the link - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1626025644281325>

Absence Reporting Form

If your child will be absent, please complete the absence form. [Click here for the form.](#)

- we all have the right to be safe
- we can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust.

Focus areas

The 2 themes are explored through 4 focus areas:

- the right to be safe
- relationships
- recognizing and reporting abuse
- protective strategies.

Playground Reminder

Please remember that the school playground is not accessible while school is in session between 8:00 AM and 3:45 PM.

QSI Safety Reminders Via Success Orientations



SHOW CONCERN FOR OTHERS



**WEAR A
MASK**



BE RESPONSIBLE



**WASH YOUR
HANDS**

Community Announcements

If you know of any upcoming family friendly activities or events that maybe of interest to our QSI families, please share them and they can be added to this section. NOTE: Any event shared is not connected to QSI.

QSI School Operations During COVID-19:2020-2021

[Click here to access the COVID-19 Operations PDF file.](#)

[Click here for 2020-2021 Parent/Student Informed Consent Letter – Covid19.](#)

You can sign and e-mail to brian-garner@munster.qsi.org. You will be able to sign at school as you drop your child off at the entrance.

Scheduled Appointment on Campus

If you have a scheduled appointment for an "in the building meeting" with Dr. Garner or Ms. Siejen, please make sure to complete the electronic visitor form on our entrance door.

The visitor form is a QR code that can be scanned by your phone. The QR code takes you to an electronic form so you can input your information. If you are new to using a QR code, [click here for a tutorial on scanning a QR code](#). I will also place a link to the form in this QR article. [Click here to access the form without the QR code](#).

Thank you for supporting our contact tracing system.

School Calendar

School Calendar 2020-2021

First Term

First Day	27 August (Thursday)
Last Day:	18 December (Friday)
Holidays:	19 – 26 October (Monday - Monday) Autumn Break 26 – 27 November (Thursday - Friday) Staff Professional Development 21 December – 08 January (3 Week) Winter Break
Quintile 1:	27 August – 15 October
Quintile 2:	16 October – 16 December
Quintile 3:	17 December – 26 February

Number of school days: 74

Second Term

First Day:	11 January (Monday)
Last Day:	26 March (Friday)
Holidays:	12 February (Friday) Staff Professional Development 15 February (Monday) Rosenmontag (online learning day)
Quintile 4:	01 March – 27 April

Number of school days: 54

Third Term

First Day:	29 March (Monday)
Last Day:	24 June (Thursday)
Holidays:	02 – 09 April (Friday – Friday) Spring Break 13 – 14 May (Thursday – Friday) Ascension 24 – 25 May (Monday – Tuesday) Whit Monday 03 – 04 June (Thursday - Friday) Corpus Christi
Quintile 5:	28 April – 24 June

Number of school days: 52

Total Number of School Days: 180
The school week is Monday through Friday.

Stay in Contact

Thank you for selecting QSI International School of Münster and trusting us with your child's education. If you have a question on the curriculum being taught, the curriculum can be viewed at <http://curriculum.qsi.org/>. Should you have a question or concern regarding the content or selected assessments, please reach out to the teacher or the school Director. If you need to contact me, my contact information is below.

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