

28 August 2020

School Newsletter



Important Dates

September

3rd - SAT Registration Deadline

8th - 8:30 AM Director Community Chat: Mastery Learning (NOTE: Date Changed)

8th - 9:00 AM Parent Support Group meeting - in Latvian Auditorium

October

3rd - SAT Test

19th-26th Autumn Break (No School)

27th-30th Spirit Week

Director's Letter

Dear Parents,

What a fabulous two first days of school! It was great to meet everyone people as the students were dropped off for school. The highlight was seeing all of the excitement in the students' eyes.

The first two days opened smoothly. The students were reminded about social distancing while on campus, frequent hand washing between activities, and walked through expectations for wearing their masks. When visiting the classrooms, the students were actively participating in "get to know you activities" and being introduced to the subjects they will be studying. Our students were eager to return to the classroom environment and they showed it with their enthusiasm.

As we enter the first full week of school, please make sure to check in with your child on their comfort at school. We added an additional temperature device at the door to speed up your children's entry into the building. Along with the device increase, 12YO - Secondary students will enter the building at 8:00 AM and 3YO-11YO will enter the building at 8:10 AM. If you have any questions about the daily routines, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. If you have any other questions about the school in general, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for trusting QSI with your children's education.

Sincerely,

Dr. Garner

First two days of school











QSI Parent Support Group Münster welcomes you!

Letter from the Parent Support Group

As the Chairwoman of the PSG I hereby greet and welcome all of you, new and current members of the Parent Support Group of QSI Münster. My name is Renate Rysletten Pedersen and I am from Norway. My husband and I have two boys at QSI Münster. Oliver who is 11 and Nikolai who is 14. We have lived in Münster since August 2017 and the boys are happy to have been attending QSI since then.

I had the pleasure to see and talk to some of you at the Open House on Wednesday. I am so happy to see so many new faces and excited about the new school year. As we all know, the current covid -19 situation does not allow us to go about things like we normally do. We will have our first PSG meeting on the 8th of September in the auditorium at 08.30. I hope to see all of you there.

Below you can see what the QSI handbook states about the PSG:

"All QSI schools will work to establish an active Parent Support Group. All QSI Parent Support Groups will use the same acronym of PSG or Parent Support Group. All parents are encouraged to become actively involved with the school through the Parent Support Group. The goal of the Parent Support Group in QSI is to make the learning environment the best possible place for children. To achieve this goal, the Parent Support Group (PSG) will:

- I. Work to enhance communication among parents as well as between parents and the school.
- II. Organize educational and social events for QSI students and/or the school community.
- III. Assist classroom educators in ways that allow for more efficient and productive use of instructional time.
- IV. Enrich the regular classroom curriculum.

V. Promote fund-raising events in order to purchase items or services the school might not easily obtain.

VI. Develop events that encourage student involvement and understanding of the local community or host country."

The PSG meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month at 08.30. The Director starts with his "Directors Chat" and updates on school matters. Then the meeting continues with upcoming events and sometimes new ideas to activities that can enrich the QSI community. Occasionally we go out for breakfast after the meeting and sometimes we have gone out for dinner.

I will not list all of the activities we conduct here, just give you a couple of examples of things we have done the previous years. We have a Welcome Picnic at the start of the school year. Each family brings a dish to share with everyone and you bring your own plates, cutlery and picnic blanket. For the Holiday Hoopla, in December we get treats and sweets, that we hand out to the students after the show. In June we have the "4 day walk" after school. Midway in these walks we stop for a snack of fruit, vegetables and a drink, which some of us have prepared. Medals are handed out after the 4th day. We also organize the ordering of school clothing, hoodies, t-shirts and more.

Given the current Covid situation, we will likely not be able to do everything as we usually do. But I hope that we can find new ways to how we can conduct things together and feel part of the QSI community. Don't hesitate to contact me at renate.r.pedersen@outlook.com or +4793033653 if you have any questions.

SAT Registration



For secondary students who will be applying to American universities, an SAT test is usually required. At this time of year, it is common for Secondary 3 & 4 students to take the SAT test. If you are interested in taking the SAT test, please make sure to register before Sep. 3. Below is the link for registering. If you register, please e-mail me at Brian-garner@qsi.org so I can start the preparations for the testing site here at our campus.

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/online-registration-help>

2020-2021 Opening Plan & School Operations During COVID-19

[Click here to access the Opening Plan 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.

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.

INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOR



TRUSTWORTHINESS



CONCERN FOR OTHERS



RESPONSIBILITY



GROUP INTERACTION



KINDNESS & POLITENESS



AESTHETIC APPRECIATION



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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1 - Dr. Brian Garner - Director

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