

# 26 February 2021

## School Newsletter



## Important Dates

### February

26 End of Quintile 3

### March

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

5 Success Orientation Day for 10 YO - Secondary 4 Students

### April

2-9 Spring Break (No School)

13 Director Chat (QSI Grad. Requirements) & PSG Meeting - Online at 7 PM ( [Click here to join the meeting](#))

21 Success Orientation Nominations

## Director's Letter

Dear QSI Families,

The campus was buzzing with excitement this week. The 3-9YO students returned to campus for face to face instruction. It was great to see the students and parents after several weeks of distance learning. Please take the time to review the pictures of the students returning to school this week.

A frequent question I am receiving from people this week is: "Has the government shared any information regarding when 10YO and older can return to campus for face to face instruction?". I have not received any information from the NRW Department of Education about 10YO to Secondary 4

students returning to campus. I anticipate an update from the German government after the first week of March. If I hear of anything earlier, I will share the information with the QSI community.

The third quintile is completed this Friday. Next week the status reports will be e-mailed to the families. Please make sure to review the grades with your children. If a student received an H grade, the unit is put on hold because the student is struggling on the subject at the moment or needs to allocate more time on the work. An H grade is not final. Students can continue to work on the unit when they are ready and create a plan with the teacher.

Next week is the Director Chat and PSG meeting via Teams. The original presentation of the Director Chat was to review Microsoft's Teams video conference program. This topic will be changed to QSI's Success Orientations. Because of distance learning being implemented in January, we missed a Director Chat and PSG meeting that had the topic of Success Orientations. Since Success Orientations are a foundation of the QSI philosophy, it is important that this topic be reviewed in our meetings.

Also next week is the Success Orientation day for the 10YO to Secondary students. They will be provided with a variety of activities to work on for the day. Most of the activities will not require technology. This activity is designed to give the students a digital break while still focusing on QSI material - The Success Orientations.

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

Sincerely,

Dr. Garner

## Success Orientation Day: 10 YO - Secondary 4

Join the 2021 Success Orientations Day!

Hello Students and Families!

Friday March 5th is the day to put the QSI Success Orientations into action! Take a look at the "patchwork quilt" in the link below.

**Choose 6 activities from the quilt, one for each color representing a Success Orientation.** (Note: There are 7 SOs; we've combined Kindness and Politeness and Concern for Others)

**Be sure to collect "evidence" of your activity that you can share with us at the end of the day. For most options, this can be a photo or a video. You will also post your evidence in Teams.**

Some of the activities can be done independently. For some other activities, you might need help from your parents. Always stay safe! Choose an activity that you can realistically do in your home. For the group activities, these are meant to be done virtually (not in person).

**Plan your time!** Some activities take longer than others to complete. Communicate with your friends if you are going to do an activity together to make sure you have a time scheduled together.

Link to the activities:

[https://qsinet-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/julian-fahl\\_munster\\_qsi\\_org/EWRUqbKq\\_4ZKixlW\\_FyuFmIBFDOPgeA8UBPvHnX1spWACQ?e=iNvosP](https://qsinet-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/julian-fahl_munster_qsi_org/EWRUqbKq_4ZKixlW_FyuFmIBFDOPgeA8UBPvHnX1spWACQ?e=iNvosP)

### 3-9 YO Celebrate 100 Days of School (Belated Celebration)































### 3-4 YO Studied the 5 Senses



### 3-9 YO: Parent Mugs and Flowers - Thank You!

Thanks for supporting us at home during distance learning.





## Middle School Cultural Studies

Middle School Cultural Studies completed a STEM project for their study of Asian cultures. The Zen gardens brought some relaxation to our lives.



## [More Middle School Cultural Studies](#)

Middle School students prepared two interactive group presentations on Eastern Theatre





## Secondary Literature



Secondary Lit students finished reading 1984. This artwork portrays the protagonist's greatest fear. In a dystopian totalitarian society, state power over the individual must be maintained at all cost.

## Secondary Students Working from Home

We miss you on campus!



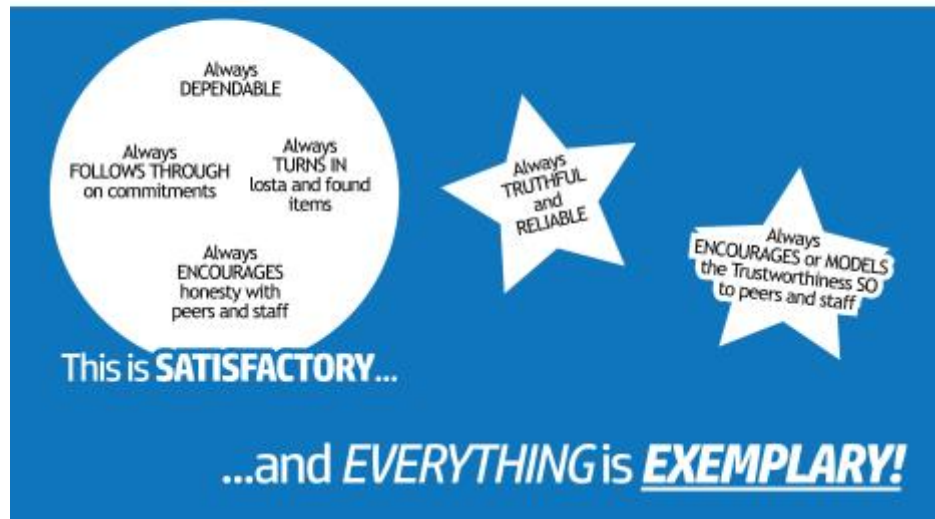


## QSI Success Orientations

# INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOR



# TRUSTWORTHINESS



# CONCERN FOR OTHERS





# RESPONSIBILITY



# GROUP INTERACTION



# KINDNESS & POLITENESS



# AESTHETIC APPRECIATION



## Parent Support Group (PSG) Contact

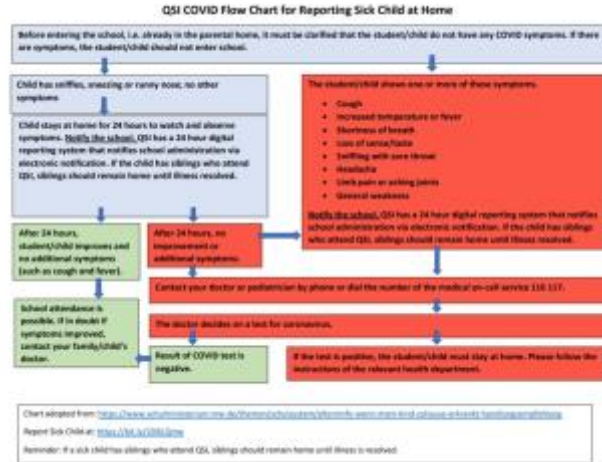
The QSI Parent Support Group is available on WhatsApp and Facebook.

WhatsApp: Contact Mrs. Lawes at [lauralawes@outlook.com](mailto: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.](#)



## Early Departure Form

If you are picking up your child in the middle of the school day, please complete this form so the school can record the departure. [Click here for the Early Departure Form.](#)

## Keeping Safe Curriculum



Homeroom teachers have started to include the Keeping Safe Curriculum in the weekly lessons. These are short lessons that educate children on how to keep themselves safe and who to ask for help in unsafe situations. This is a global curriculum that QSI uses at all campuses. Below is a list of the key themes and focus areas that students will study. More information on the program can be [found here](#).

### **Themes**

The curriculum follows 2 main themes:

- 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

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[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](mailto:brian-garner@munster.qsi.org). You will be able to sign at school as you drop your child off at the entrance.

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## 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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