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Letter from the Head of School

Dear Parents,

It is already time for “Sportlov”, our winter break from school. I hope you have had a good start to the term and have some nice plans for the break, with hopefully some lovely winter weather in the Gothenburg region.

COVID restrictions lifting

While the Swedish government has lifted most of the restrictions relating to the pandemic, it is always important for schools to follow good practices with student health. Healthy students should be attending school and fully participating in the programme. Parents should only come into the school with a pre-booked appointment and sign-in procedures must be followed by first reporting to the reception of the campus you are visiting.

If students have any symptoms of illness they should still stay home. If your child has fever or has vomited, then they need to be healthy for 48 hours before returning to school. Absence must be for an authorised reason and reported daily in SchoolSoft.

We must all continue to practice good hygiene including washing hands thoroughly and using hand sanitisers - please help us remind students about good hygiene practices. This is to continue to protect and maintain the health and safety of our students and staff.

Reminder about Leave of Absence policy

As a school we are obligated to ensure students attend all required school days. This is according to Swedish school law (‘Skolplik’). This is why we ask families to plan trips away within the designated school breaks. An unauthorised absence will lead to a review of the place in the school, including verification of your international assignment. Please carefully review our [Student Leave of Absence Policy](#) to ensure you fully understand the requirements.

Social Media @ISGR

This term we have been working to increase our presence through online and social media channels. We want to model positive and productive ways to utilise online platforms. We are producing a series of short videos to highlight aspects of student life and learning! You can view the videos via our website or through our social media channels - links are on our homepage at www.isgr.se . More will be released in the coming weeks!

Council of International Schools (CIS)

Our work on maintaining and improving our quality continues in connection with our CIS accreditation. Currently we are reviewing the results of the community survey, which was completed by students, staff and parents in October last year. We are identifying ways to build on our strengths and develop areas critical to a successful international school. Student well-being is an identified area that continues to be important to us as we see it as the foundation for high quality teaching and learning to happen.

I wish you all a relaxing and safe “Sportlov” break and welcome you all back to teaching and learning on Monday the 21st of February.

Kind regards,

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