

The Confinement Times

A Weekly Digest from the APESA Staff
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Dear Parents and Students,

It is clear that we are going through a very troubled period. The mysterious and threatening disease, the uncertain economy and, in some areas of the world, increasing civil unrest. Troubled times can bring out the best, and the worst, in people. In France we have seen many examples of the best: individuals and communities abiding by scientific advice, being considerate of the health, safety and protection of others as well as their own families. These thoughts can bring us comfort, as we look forward to confronting the challenges ahead.

The immediate challenge is adapting to the “new normal”, part of which means the return of (some) students to school. The *protocols sanitaires* that have been put in place mean that there are many new rules to respect. In practice, this means smaller classes with reduced timetables.

Between this week and the end of the school year, all students will have the opportunity to return to school, but obviously not all at the same time. As you will already be aware, the timetable changes and other arrangements that have been put in place are extremely complicated. Further information, correct at the time of writing, is shared below. As always, we will keep you up to date with any changes that we are aware of.

As mentioned last week, preparations for next year are well underway. Given the ongoing uncertainty regarding arrangements in school next year, we want to review the methods that we use to provide teaching and learning at a distance. We also want to find out whether the ways that we communicate with you, the wider APESA community, are working well. A survey has been sent out to parents this week, which gives you the opportunity to provide some feedback to the APESA Board and the Section management team.

As we settle (we hope) into a temporary “new normal”, we plan to bring the *Confinement Times* to a close, except for a final Review of the year which will be shared at the end of term. In the meantime, I hope that you will enjoy some of the wonderful [poetry](#) produced by Ms Higgs' CM2 classes, with a confinement-inspired theme of [“Out of the Window”](#).

On behalf of the APESA President, Lara Bonucci, and myself, we wish you all an enjoyable weekend.

All my very best wishes,

Rob Miller

Head of the Anglophone Section

Planning for the week beginning 8th June onwards

General planning for students returning to school

- **Primary** classes will be following their specific programme, which has been sent directly to the parents.
- **College:**
 - **6eme** and **5eme** will be at school on Mondays and Tuesdays, according to their groups created by the CSI administration
 - **4eme** and **3eme** will be in school on Thursdays and Fridays., according to their groups created by the CSI administration.
- **Lycée:**
 - **2nde students**, according to their groups, will be in school either in the morning or afternoon, where they will follow their normal subjects.
 - **1ere students** will only return for their speciality subjects.

Planning for Anglophone Section Classes

All the Anglophone Section classes will continue to be conducted online according to the following timetables. Parents and students should note that Section classes and class work / assignments will not necessarily appear on Pronote, and that they can always contact their Section teachers if anything is unclear.

- **Primary:** students should follow the weekly calendar sent out by the Anglophone Section primary teachers.
- **6eme** and **5eme:** Time has been set aside where teachers can arrange whole-class Google Meets with their teachers on Wednesday and Friday. Work is provided for them in the usual way through the Google Classroom.
- **4eme** and **3eme:** Time has been set aside where teachers can arrange whole-class Google Meets with their teachers on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Work is provided for them in the usual way through the Google Classroom.
- **2nde, 1ere** and **Tle:** Google Meets will be organised by the Anglophone section teachers at times when the whole-class can attend. Work is provided for students in the usual way through the Google Classroom.

Re-enrolment for *collège* / *lycée* and return of textbooks

All students at CSI Lyon need to be re-enrolled with the school each year, in addition to re-enrolling in the Anglophone Section. As with many things, this process is more complicated this year due to restricted access to the school. Parents and/or *collège* and *lycée* students have been allocated time slots during which they can come to the school to return their textbooks and to start the re-enrollment process. The timetable can be viewed [here](#).

Moving up to 6eme? Parents of CM2 pupils will be able to enrol their children for 6ème on 19th June.

Collège & Lycée: Skills-based classes from the 12th June

For all Anglophone Section secondary students, on-line teaching will continue until the closure of the school on 4th July. Lessons will continue to follow the planned programme until the 12th June. Beyond that, classes will focus upon the development of skills.

Drama Option for 2nde students 2020-2021

Last week Ms Kincade made presentations to 3eme students about the 2nde Drama Option, and this has been made available to all students as a recording on the 3eme Google Classrooms. A form has been made available to students that wish to register their interest in taking this Option next year. Full instructions on how to sign up for the Option will be sent directly to 3eme parents by email next week.

OIB British Option: *conseils and bulletins*

In line with the instructions from the British option OIB examination authorities (Cambridge International Examinations) there will be no mark indicated on the bulletin of the OIB British Option students for the second semester. Their marks from before and during the confinement have been incorporated into their predicted grades. British Option students who are applying to North American universities will be provided with an explanatory letter, which will be sent with their final results to their chosen universities.



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