

Dear Parents,

We have completed our second week of distance learning and confinement and now we are able to take stock of our practice. As there appears to be no clear end date for our confinement we have altered some of our practice to make it more sustainable for our students, teachers and yourselves. We thank you for the feedback you have provided through the CSI Anglophone Section Parents Facebook page and through your emails. The aim of these adaptations is to increase flexibility in the work environment and reduce both stress and screen time whilst maintaining a stimulating learning experience. The Primary teachers have communicated their developments directly to the parents of their class groups. Here are the adaptations which shall be introduced by the secondary teachers from Monday 30th March:

- Not all the Anglophone Section hours will be “taught”. Work will always be made available through Google Classrooms or other platforms for students to do in their own time.
- Students are not expected to be present in real time for every lesson: albeit we strongly encourage them to attend the meetings set by their teacher, or get in touch to say they won’t be able to do this. Their teachers will inform them of their weekly schedule.
- The students should contact the teachers during their assigned class time whenever they have work related questions.
- More time will be allocated to the tasks and the formal evaluations.

Here is some general news:

- a) The Primary teachers have continued their excellent use of new technology and new methods adapted to the levels of their students. There have been developments in the way in which they are using ‘seesaw’ in the lower levels and ‘zoom’ in the upper levels. The teachers are sending out weekly information sheets to the parents of each class level.
- b) Secondary teachers continue to use google classroom to set work for their students. They are using ‘google’ meet to join up with their students.
- c) The 2e students had their mock exam for the GCSE literature paper. We still do not know how the GCSE will be evaluated. As there will not be a final exam, it appears that the mark awarded will be based upon the students’ course work and predicted grades. We have not had official confirmation yet.
- d) The 1e and Te LL and HG teachers continue to prepare their students for the OIB. Although we have had no information regarding how it will be evaluated. Last week, Kat Weinert, our HG Coordinator for the US option and Nicola Hill, our LL Coordinator for the UK option, led online training and discussion sessions.
- e) Thinking about keeping fit during the confinement? Here is a [link](#) to a fitness class for children which is held in the UK, everyday, in real time at 10.00 French time for live streaming. It is possible to access the site after the live session.

On behalf of Lara Bonucci, the APESA President and myself, we wish you and your family a healthy and positive week.

My kindest regards

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