

From the Elementary Principal

Dear Elementary Families,

Semester two has begun, as has a new calendar year! With so many new announcements coming from world and national news, it is truly difficult to envision what each new month will bring. Your children have just started the second half of what I believe will be one of the most memorable, if not the most memorable school year of their lives. Even our youngest ones will have memories of these times which will stick with them for their whole lives. We are thankful for you and your children and firmly believe you are in the right place here at BAIS!

JANUARY	
22	Report Cards Sent by Email
FEBRUARY	
12	Chinese New Year (No School)
12	Mid Quarter Grades on PS

Our elementary teachers are counting down the days until they can have your children join them in their classrooms, and experience that imminent, renewed appreciation for human contact and "normal" school. Until then, we will continue to provide what we believe is the best quality and quantity of schooling at a distance.

My hope is that you have been able to take a step back and appreciate the extra time you have with your children in the home. I recognize the fact that it looks differently for each family, and on many levels has been very difficult. However, we must remember that our children need our loving help to get through this unexpected stage of their lives.

Lastly, here are a few announcements from our academic program:

- Semester 1 report cards will be sent home digitally on January 22, and physically in your child's Monday packet on January 25th
- A new form for G1-G5 specials classes (P.E., Art, Music, and Library) selection was sent by email on Tuesday so that families can choose which they would like for their children
- Monday packet pick up will resume Monday, January 18
- Stay tuned for communications from our school director, Mr. Thomas, regarding future plans and dates for the reopening of BAIS - Our facility is ready and prepped!
- If you have not already done so, please communicate with our finance office about your reenrollment for next school year. Early bird (3%) discounts for next year's tuition go until March 5.
- Just like last semester, find those spaces in your home where each of your children know that when they are there, it is school time. This may be easier said than done, but it is surprising how creative some of you have been in creating workspaces for your kids!

In John 14:27, Jesus speaks these words to his disciples which are just as relevant today for us as they were for them: *"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."*

Sincerely,
Neil Cantrall
Elementary Principal

Drama Announcement

We will be back at school for drama practice on Jan 20! YAY!!!

Here's the plan:



AT HOME:

If you are not listed below then please practice 2 of the songs on your list for at least 20 minutes and then send Mrs. Loewen the vocal recordings. If you haven't done one of them yet or recently then please start that one!

ON CAMPUS:

Who: Lights/Sound - Sherine, Angel, Connor, Kadin

Cast: Emily, Ollie, Clarine, Karen, Zachariah, Samantha, Kathlyn, Ella, Jace, Kai, Kris, Sandor

What: Scene 6 - the fair and Me Ole Bamboo

2021-2022 REENROLLMENT NOTIFICATION

Please complete [this form](#) and return it with appropriate fees to the BAIS office on or before **Friday, January 29, 2021**. Your child's reenrollment for the **2021-2022** school year is secure when this form and the accompanying payment are received. Payment can be made by bank transfer or cash to the finance office.

Please note after January 29, 2021 your child's seat in class is no longer guaranteed. The 10,000,000 IDR **non-refundable** reenrollment deposit will be applied towards the student's fall 2021 tuition. After January 29, 2021, 7,000,000 IDR of the 10,000,000 IDR deposit will be applied towards the student's fall 2021 tuition.

We appreciate your support! If you have any questions, please email finance@baisedu.org or stop by the office at any time. [The reenrollment form can be submitted online using this link.](#)

Please note that BAIS does not accept Giros, Checks, or ATM transfers as a payment method. If you have any questions, please contact the Finance team at finance@baisedu.org. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Highlights About Reopening!

- Dr. Mayke was trained over the holiday to administer rapid antigen tests. BAIS will be testing employees who will have close contact with students more regularly than previously communicated. 31 teachers are being tested today!
- Pak Chevy and his team are utilizing new fogging techniques to safely and efficiently sanitize classrooms.
- The school was inspected by the department of health on January 13. The results were very positive from the inspection team.
- The updated procedure for receiving approval for permission to reopen is:
 - Health inspection and report forwarded to the Kabupaten Bandung Barat (KBB) Covid-19 task force
 - The KBB task force delivers a recommendation for reopening to the department of education
 - The department of education communicates final decision
- The current earliest date to reopen for face-to-face learning (with protocols) is January 26, 2021

Secondary Report Cards

- Semester 1 report cards will be sent digitally on January 22. They will be available physically for pick-up on January 25.