

PSI Distance Learning Policy Updated September 27th 2020

1- Distance-Learning Goals:

The PSI Distance-Learning goal is to expand access to higher education opportunities for individual and community members and others through electronically offered classes.

Distance learning and online teaching technology will be used to provide relevant and timely classwork, information, and activities to enhance the learning experience by removing the barriers of both time and place.

2- Objectives:

- Support and encourage the internal development of the distance-learning program.
- Provide informational resources and support services for PSI students.
- Identify and address faculty and student needs in teaching and learning online.
- Encourage and support the use of the Teams, Class Dojo and other technologies, in both face -to-face and online learning environments.
- Encourage the sharing of effective technology-enhanced teaching and learning practices among faculty.

3- Ministry information regarding school operating:

Currently the MOE have decided all Schools to operate with only 30% of students on site at any one time. PSIS has a capacity of 838.

The guidance is also only 15 students per class.

4- Attendance policy:

All students are expected to participate in lessons attendance will be taken.

5- Online teaching arrangements:

-Pre School, Year 11 and 12 will be in School 100% of the week.

-Year 6-10 will access one day a week in school, two days recorded lessons and two days online learning.

-Reception till Year 5 will access online learning 2/3 of week 10 times every 3 weeks.

-Physical on-site teaching will take place 1/3 of weeks, 5 times every 3 weeks for primary.

-All materials used in learning will be upload on TEAMS. Zoom may be used in secondary, however this will be communicated to students and parents.

-There will be 7 Periods from 7:30 to 12:30pm. 35 minutes long lesson for all years groups, with the exception of:

Year 10, 11 and 12 – 8 periods 7.30am to 1.00pm. All lessons 35 minutes long with the exception of period 8, which is 25 minutes long.

Resources:

Our online teaching will include the following resources:

- > Recorded Videos
- > Power-points
- > Worksheets
- > YouTube
- > Useful links

6- Homework:

Each Sunday, classroom teachers will upload the usual spellings lists using the above stated methods. Children are expected to follow the usual procedure and practice these methods daily. As class teachers are unable to conduct the test in school, we would like parents to test their children during Thursday's English lesson of each week.

In addition to the weekly spellings and times tables, children are also able to work through the revision pack. When applicable, the classroom teacher will provide additional resources to further support spelling and times tables attainment.

7- Assessment:

Assessment is a key authentication tool. At the end of each unit of work, teachers will provide an online assessment for your child to engage in to help consolidate their learning in that area.

8- Technical difficulties:

In case of problems accessing the materials uploaded, then please contact your class teacher either via ClassDojo or their email

Telephone hotlines are available to support any technical or academic concerns, as below:

For general Academic enquiries, please send your WhatsApp messages to **6609 8796** between 6.30am – 2.00pm.

For technical support, please send your WhatsApp messages to **6646 3459** between 6.30am – 2.00pm.

For Academic support we will be operating between 2.00pm – 8.00pm:

For EYFS and Primary school enquiries please send your WhatsApp messages to **6609 8796**

For Secondary School enquiries please send your WhatsApp messages to **6643 961**

9- Contacting Classroom Teachers:

All teachers can be contacted by emails, Class Dojo or telephone.