



# โรงเรียนสารสาสน์เอกตรา

## SARASAS EKTRA SCHOOL

SES. 032 / 2021

Sarasas Ektra School

3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Subject The 12<sup>th</sup> announcement on the emergency school closure due to the respreading of COVID-19

Dear Parents

As the pandemic situation is becoming severe, all classes will continue to be arranged online.

Kindly find the school's updates in this letter.

### 1. Online lessons

#### 1.1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> online lesson's progress report

As the school issued the 1<sup>st</sup> online lesson's progress report in June 2021, parents can view the 2<sup>nd</sup> online lesson's progress report on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021 on the school's website [www.ektra.ac.th](http://www.ektra.ac.th). Each department has their own evaluation methods for the online lesson's progress report. Parents can find more information below.

- Kindergarten Department: The report aims at reporting to parents about the 4 areas of development of each student which include physical, emotional, social, and intelligence development. Results are obtained from dialogues while each student is attending different classes online and his / her work results.

- Primary and Secondary Department: The report aims at providing parents with updates about each student's assignment submission. The information provided can help parents to follow up or supervise students to submit different assignments more effectively. This is very important as the assignments reported in the 2<sup>nd</sup> online lesson's progress report will be counted as a part of the midterm's assessment scores for semester 1/2021.

#### 1.2. Follow-up of students' Meet attendance

From 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021 onwards, parents can follow-up on their child's Meet attendance on the school's website at anytime. Kindly be informed that the Meet attendance record of each day will be uploaded to the schools' website on the following day. Parents can learn how to access Meet attendance records by scanning the QR code provided.



Video tutorial for how to check Meet attendance



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### 1.3. What the classes and activities are like?

#### ● Kindergarten Department

To ensure that each student's English communication skills and social skills are developed, students are put into smaller groups for effective teaching and learning. Some extra classes are also introduced to students to diversify learning. The table below provides information on extra periods supplemented.

Year	Subjects / Topics	Starting Date	Total periods
KG.1 – KG.3	Bite - Size English: 1 Period	27 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	KG.1 = 2 Periods
KG.1	Yoga /P.E./Art: 1 Period	2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2021	KG.2 = 2 Periods
KG.2	Yoga /P.E./Dance /Coding / Phonics: 1 Period		KG.3 = 3 Periods
KG.3	Yoga /P.E./Dance: 1 Period Coding /Art / Phonics: 1 Period		

#### ● Primary and Secondary Department

To support and develop continuous learning of students based on their interests, the academic department has pioneered various activities. Details of these activities are listed below.

1. Online workshops: Various workshops have been initiated in cooperation with external organizations and universities. For example, financial literacy and management, entrepreneur and communication workshop, smartphone video production workshop, and portfolio preparation workshop.

2. Break-Out Meets with Documentary and CLIL Project Presentation: The activity is arranged for every student in Year 1-9. Students get a great chance to meet foreign teachers in smaller groups to practice and use their English communication skills.

3. Super Fun Activities: The activities are arranged for students in Year 1-6. Students get a great chance to develop skills that they like based on the Multiple Intelligences Theory.

4. Innovation Project Idea: The activity is arranged for Science-Math students in Year 10-12. The activity aims at developing students' scientific literacy and skills, creativity, and presentations in English.

5. Ektra IELTS Guidance and Practice: A speaking and writing IELTS Mock Test will be arranged for students. IELTS is an English language proficiency examination that students in Year 11-12 usually required for future university education.



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6. Year 10-12's online educational guidance held by Ektra alumni. The activity starts from an activity held in August "Kick-Start for Uni". Besides, there will be online guidance sessions and individual guidance services provided for students.

### 1.4. Evaluation methods and assessment scores of semester 1/2021

#### ● Kindergarten Department

An examination is replaced with a learning evaluation. The methods of evaluation are below.

1. Four areas of development
2. Evaluation of learning skills
3. Parents are a part of the evaluation. The information obtained will

be used to develop individual progress reports and recommendations in the next step.

#### ● Primary and Secondary Department

The school's academic department has set the score ratio for students in Year 1-12 in semester 1/2021. This score ratio is applied to all subjects taught by both Thai and foreign teachers. The total score is 100.

Quarter	Scoring Details
1. Midterm 50 marks	1. Assessment score: 30 2. Online class attendance (Meet attendance): 5
2. Final 50 marks	3. Participation in Meet: 5 4. In-Class Chapter Test: 10

**Remark:** Each subject's In-Class Chapter Test will be communicated in advance. Students are encouraged not to miss doing them without proper reasons. If parents or students encounter any issues, kindly communicate your issues to the academic department via the e-mail stated in item 1.5.

### 1.5. Academic Department's contact information

Department	Kindergarten Department	Primary and Secondary Department
Thai academic subjects	thai.kindergarten@ektra.ac.th	thai.academic@ektra.ac.th
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### 2. Educational fees

The negative effects of the pandemic are huge. Not only the obvious health and emotional impacts, but also the economic status of everyone has been severely affected. The school truly understands everyone and the overall situation due to the number of payments which started to be delayed in 2020 and such delays continued into 2021, and the pended payments before 2020 have not been taken into account. The school is also greatly affected as only 60% of parents have arranged tuition fee payments. Sincere appreciation especially goes to parents who have arranged the payment. The amount of money received is sufficient for the school to fund its operation up to September. In the current situation in which students cannot attend classes on-site, the school still has a list of fixed and continuous expenditures such as Thai and foreign personnel's salary and other costs incurred from the human resources management. Other expenditures may include resources required for holding classes online, bank debt, costs of the land rental, etc.

Since the school is currently lacking cash flow due to parents' inability to arrange tuition fee payment, the school's inability to arrange after-school tutorials, and the fact that the school has not raised the tuition fee for years, the school is doing its best at arranging classes online, seeking and supplementing interesting activities for students and seeking new ways of learning for students' continuous learning. Thus, Sarasas Ektra School is now the only school under Sarasas Affiliation that fully utilizes Google Classroom. In addition, the school also has had lesson follow-ups, systematic assessment score collection, and continuously provides students with interesting activities based on Multiple Intelligences Theory.

As the amount of infected toll is still increasing, it is anticipated that the school cannot arrange classes on-site in semester 1. Thus, there will be discounts for services that have not been used by students. These include catering services and other facilities listed below.

#### 1. Discounts given in semester 1/2021

Year	Amount (THB)	Remark
NC	8,000	Students with scholarships granted will also receive discounts. Kindly contact the administration office for more information on the discount amount.
KG. 1- KG. 3	7,500	
Y.1 - Y.9	7,000	
Y.10 - Y.12	4,500	



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2. For students who have not arranged tuition fee payment, or have partially arranged tuition fee payment for semester 1/2021, lists of discounts will be given as stated in item number 1 above.

3. For students who have completely arranged for tuition fee payment for semester 1/2021 in the full amount within 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021, an additional 1,000 THB discount will be given when arranging tuition fee payment for semester 2/2021. Kindly be informed that parents are going to receive the discount stated in item number 1 and an additional 1,000 THB discount automatically when arranging tuition payment for semester 2/2021.

4. Students who arrange tuition fee payments for semester 2/2021 within the deadline will receive extra discounts. Kindly find the information below.

4.1 Students who completely arrange tuition fee payment for semester 2/2021 within 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021 will receive a 4,000 THB extra discount for the tuition fee of semester 1/2022.

4.2 Students who completely arrange tuition fee payment for semester 2/2021 within 17<sup>th</sup> August – 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 will receive a 2,000 THB extra discount for the tuition fee of semester 1/2022.

### Remark:

- The discount stated in items 4.1-4.2 is only given to students who continue their studies at Sarasas Ektra School. The discount cannot be cashed, refunded, or transferred to others.
- If the student withdraws after the completion of the academic year 2021, parents can contact the administration office to receive the discount stated in item number 1.

5. Credit card charges at 1.5% are waived from now until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021.

6. Installment plans are available for parents who are severely financially affected to help ease your tuition fee payment.

6.1 Download the form “Tuition Fee Payment” from the school’s website [www.ektra.ac.th](http://www.ektra.ac.th). The form is in the menu “Procedures”, or simply scan the QR code.

6.2 Arrange payment for the 1st installment period.

6.3 Submit the proof of payment in either one of the two channels.



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- Scan the QR code using your child's student e-mail account: Student ID @ektra.ac.th.
- E-mail the proof of payment to tuitionfee@ektra.ac.th. Kindly indicate the student's name, surname, and class. Please attach the Tuition Fee Payment form.

**Remark:** Parents can arrange tuition fee payment either arranging at the school's administration office or submit the proof of payment online. For more information regarding payment channels, please scan the QR code.



Tuition Fee Payment Form



Proof of payment



Payment channels

### 3. An update from the pastoral care department

The pastoral care department has arranged a counseling corner. The counseling corner aims at allowing teachers and students experiencing stress caused by lessons and personal matters to make an appointment with the school's clinical psychologists through Google Meet. Parents who need some useful tips on child caretaking can join this event too. Kindly register yourself at <https://forms.gle/zAVpG8EJuBchDTsR9>, or scan the QR code, or e-mail your inquiries to [wecare@ektra.ac.th](mailto:wecare@ektra.ac.th).



Scan for registration

Parents can stay updated with the school's news and activities at the Facebook Fan Page: Ektra Activities, Important Messages (in Google Classroom), the school's website: [www.ektra.ac.th](http://www.ektra.ac.th), and the Line Checker (only for secondary students).

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