

Harbour International School's Site Reopening 8th February



We are excited to welcome your children back to school on Monday 8th February. The government has released a new set of stricter guidelines for how we organise the school and much planning and preparation has gone into ensuring the return is safe as it can be for all of our community.

To ensure we can continue onsite education safely we all need to follow the instructions and guidelines that are detailed in this document.

Thank you for reading these instructions carefully as there are several changes and additions.

If you do not understand something - phone a friend, if they do not understand then get in touch via Seesaw or email and we will clarify. jennys@harbouribsr.nl



Face Masks - Group 7/8



As per government guidelines, we ask that Group 7 and 8 wear a face mask when travelling around school. We suggest each child has two in their bag each day.



Face Masks



We ask that you wear a face mask when dropping your children off.

Face masks are compulsory for entry into the playground.



End of the Day



Please note pick up times are slightly earlier as BSO lunchtime staff are no longer supervising children in the school building only in the playground.

This means that teachers are spending some of their lunchtime supervising the children eating.

(This will be reviewed in two weeks after the half term holiday)



| | Drop Off | Pick Up on M,T,Th,F (map on slide 7) | |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Group | Children will be left at the gate (exception Group 1) | Pick up time and Playground Area | Exit Gate |
| Group 1 | 8.30-8.40 - Graaf Florisstraat | 2.15 pm - Playground back of 56 | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
| Group 2 | 8.30-8.40 - Jan van Avennesstraat | 2.15 pm - Middle playground | Jan van Avennesstraat |
| Group 3 | 8.40-8.50 Graaf Florisstraat | 2.30 pm- Playground back of 58 | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
| Group 4 | 8.40-8.50 Jan van Avennesstraat | 2.30 pm - Playground back of 56 | Jan van Avennesstraat |
| Group 5 | 8.50-9.00 Jan van Avennesstraat | 2.30 pm - Middle playground | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
| Group 6 | 8.50-9.00 Graaf Florisstraat | 2.45 pm - Middle Playground | Jan van Avennesstraat |
| Group 7 or 8 | 8.50-9.00 Graaf Florisstraat | 2.45 pm - Middle Playground | (Graaf Florisstraat) |



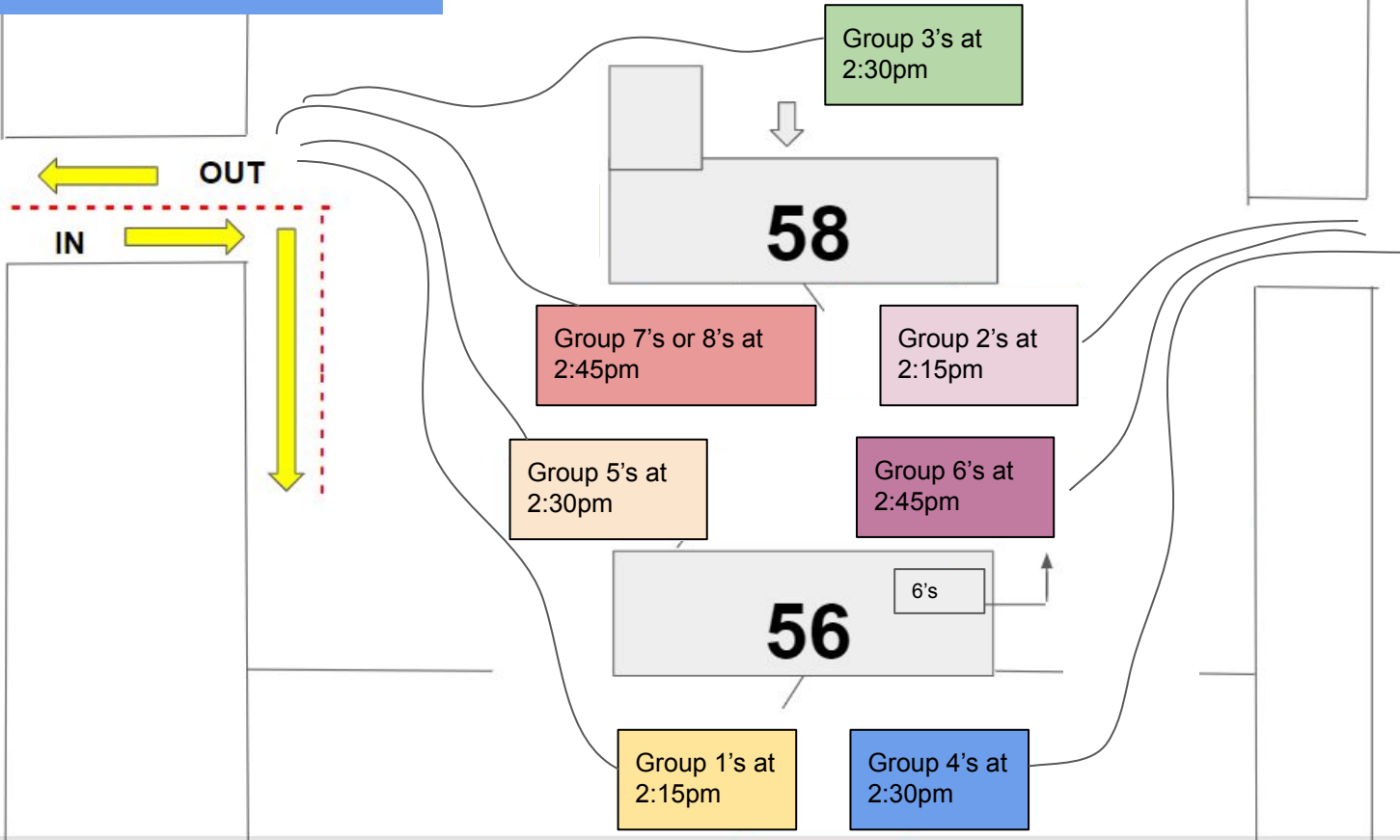
| | Pick Up Times on Wednesday | (see next slide for map) |
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| Group | Pick up time and Playground Area | Exit Gate |
| Group 1 | 12.00 pm - Playground back of 56 | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
| Group 2 | 12.00 pm - Middle playground | Jan van Avennesstraat |
| Group 3 | 12.15 pm - Playground back of 58 | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
| Group 4 | 12.15 pm - Playground back of 56 | Jan van Avennesstraat |
| Group 5 | 12.15 pm - Middle playground | (Graaf Florisstraat) |
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| Group 7 or 8 | 12.30 pm- Middle Playground | (Graaf Florisstraat) |



Pick up times and locations

Graaf Florisstraat

Jan van Avennesstraat



Drop Off/Pick Up



Important Note: **ONLY ONE** parent/carer is allowed to drop off/Pick up the children.

If you have siblings:

Drop off at the ***earliest*** time. So if you have a children in Groups 1, 3 and 6 - you can drop ***all*** children off at 8.30 am at the Group 1 time, at the Group 1 gate.

Pick up at the ***latest*** time. Again if you have children in Group 1, 3 and 6. Pick ***all*** your children up at the Group 6 pick up time - 2. 45 pm. The gate to exit from will correspond to that of the oldest child.



Drop Off/Pick Up

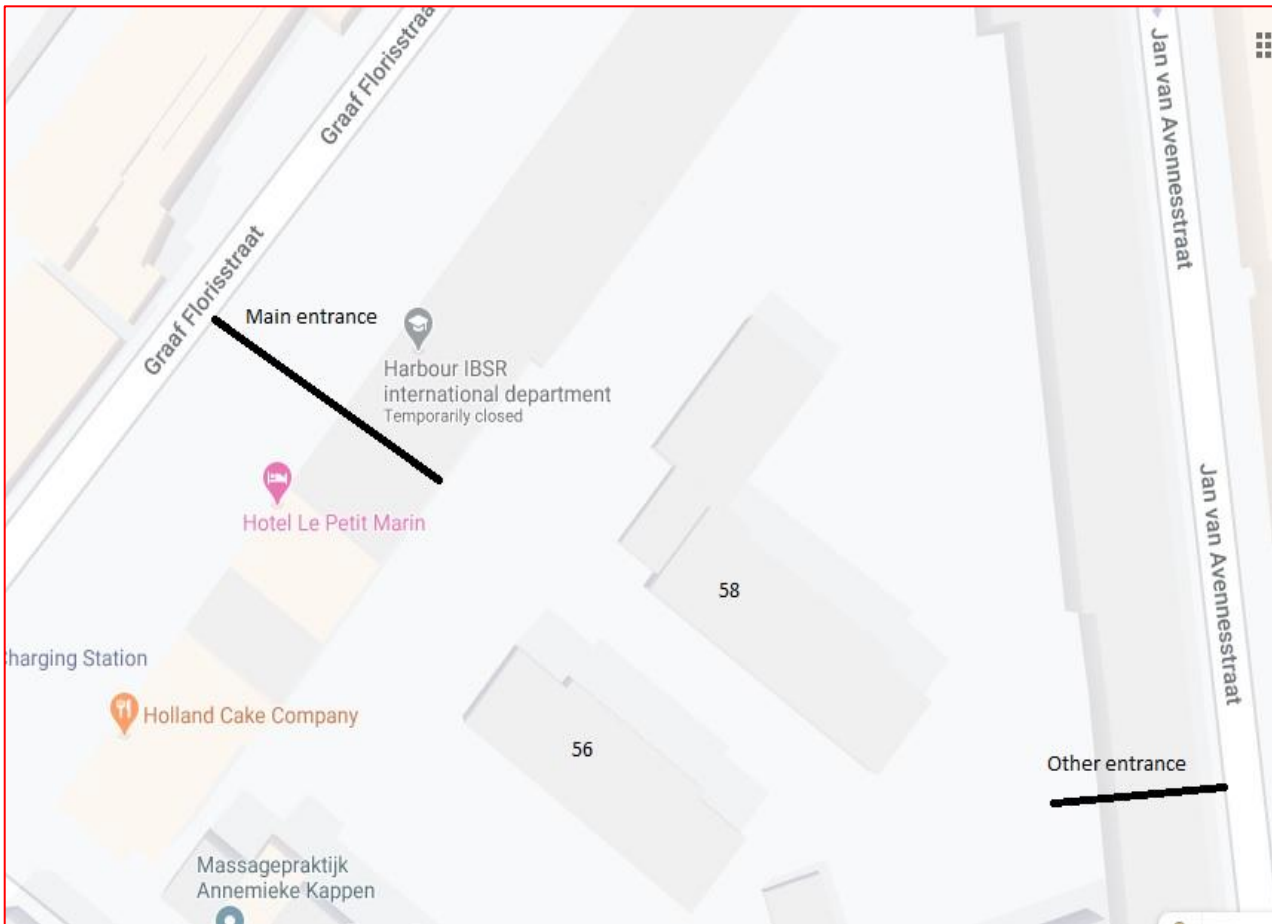


For this system to work, and for us to continue to provide safe onsite schooling, parents need to stick to the times, gates and playground areas provided, neither being late or early.

As soon as you have your children at pick up time we ask that you promptly leave the site.

Unfortunately, the playground has been identified in our risk assessments, as a place where it is difficult to maintain social distancing. Therefore, it is not safe to allow children to play or to catch up and chat with other parents. We apologise for this message but our priority is to be able to continue education to all your children on site, safely.





Map of gates
and
entrances.



When to Keep Children at Home



It is important that you are vigilant to the symptoms of Coronavirus and that you keep your children at home if they have the following symptoms:

(Please note this policy is currently under review by the Government)

- Cold - runny nose, sneezing sore throat
- Coughing
- Shortness of breath
- Elevated temperature or fever
- Sudden loss of smell and/or taste (without nasal congestion)



When to Keep Children at Home



If someone in the student's household has a fever above 38 ° C and / or symptoms of shortness of breath in addition to mild COVID-19 complaints, the student also remains at home in quarantine. This housemate will have to be tested. The student stays at home pending the results.

If someone in the student's household has been tested for COVID-19 and has a positive result, the student will remain at home in quarantine for up to 5 days from the time of the test. If the housemate has not developed any complaints by then, the student can go back to school 5 days after the test. If the housemate does get complaints, the pupil will stay at home 10 days after the last close contact with this person. From day 5 of the quarantine, the student can be tested and in case of a negative test he can be taken out of quarantine.



Testing Children for Coronavirus



All children from 0 years to group 8 with complaints that match COVID-19 can be tested. Testing of children under the age of 12 is strongly advised if:

- in addition to a cold, the child also has a fever and / or is short of breath and / or (more than occasionally) coughs - the following applies here: the child is tested and in principle can go back to school if the test result is negative;
- the child is seriously ill - in such cases, have the doctor contacted; who can decide to have the child tested anyway;
- the child has symptoms consistent with COVID-19 AND is a housemate (category 1 contact) of someone who has confirmed COVID-19;
- the child has complaints that match COVID-19 AND is a contact (category 2 or 3) of someone who has confirmed COVID-19;
- the child is part of an outbreak investigation, on the advice of the GGD .



When to Keep Children at Home - Quarantine



If you are returning to the Netherlands from another country we ask you contact your child's class teacher as soon as possible and keep the children at home for ten days of quarantine, from your arrival date back into the Netherlands.



Quarantine



In the event that a child or teacher in the class tests positive for Coronavirus then the whole class will move to online learning.

Children can return to school:

- After 5 days if they have a test and it is negative
- After 10 days if they do not have a test



Please bring in a pencil case with:



pencil, pencil sharpener, rubber, glue, coloured pencils and a ruler.



Specialist lessons



Due to the increase in restrictions we can not operate specialist lessons as usual. This will be reviewed after 2 weeks.

Group 1 and 2 will have PE lessons

Group 3, 4 and 5 can continue to have ICT lessons

The Dutch teachers, Dagmar and Isabel, will be working in Groups, 6,7 and 8 helping children with their learning.

EAL will continue in modified groups.

There will be no library or music instrument lessons on site for at least the next two weeks.



Wrap up Warm



The guidelines encourage us to use the outdoor space for exercising and physical education whenever possible. The weather forecast next week is very cold, please make sure your children come to school with several warm layers, hats, scarves and gloves.



Chromebook Return



For those of you that loaned a chromebook or iPad, can you please return the device and the charger on Monday. Please have your child give them to their teacher. Jesse or Alex will then pick them up from there.



Preparing Your Child

There has been a lot of change in all our lives and this is not always easy for children.

We ask that you do some preparation with them before the school starts. This includes discussing with your children the return to school - be honest - you can tell them that although Coronavirus is still in the Netherlands, the government and scientists have told us it is safe to return to school and that school have taken measures to help keep them well.

For many children routines will have changed. It is worthwhile reminding children of routines, discussing wake up times, what needs to go in their bag and the clothes they may wear on Monday 8th February.

I know that many children are enthusiastic to return to school but there may be some children who have concerns. The following link provides more detailed advice on preparing your child:

<https://education.gov.scot/media/ruufd3ds/ideas-for-returning-to-school.pdf>

