



20 June 2021

RE: PLANS FOR LAST WEEK OF TERM 2 AND STATE OF COVID-19 IN VULEKA SCHOOLS

Dear Vuleka Family and Friends

I hope this communication finds you well. In most of my COVID-19 related letters, I have always said that the safety of our children and staff is of paramount importance to us. In the last 7 days (between Monday and Sunday), we have had 9 COVID-19 cases reported in our schools and had to send some of our pupils and staff into isolation and quarantine. We find these numbers quite concerning and it is important for all of us to preserve lives.

As I mentioned in my previous letter (dated 17 June 2021), all our primary schools have completed Term 2 assessments and will be closing school this coming Friday (25 June 2021) as scheduled in the school calendar. However, we wish to advise parents to keep their children home if they wish to do so. Should there be sickness in the household, especially flu or if they are showing any COVID-19 related symptoms, please keep your child at home. **Teachers will not introduce new work this coming week but will run a lesser academic timetable. Schools will send work home for children to do this week.**

Term 2 Reports:

- **Thursday 24 June:** Foundation Phase (Grade 000- 3) reports will be issued on Thursday. **All schools will set up stations for parents who wish to collect reports and not send children to school.**
- **Friday 25 June:** InterSen Phase (Grades 4 -7) reports will be issued on Friday. **All schools will set up stations for parents who wish to collect reports and not send children to school.**
- Heads of school and teachers will liaise with parents regarding collection of reports.
- **Friday 25 June:** End of Term 2. School closes at 11:00 and re-open on Tuesday 20 July.

NB: Please note, the above arrangements **are not applicable to Vuleka SSB High School** as they are running a different calendar this term. Vuleka SSB School Management have communicated their plans with pupils and parents of VSSB High School.

Looking Ahead: In the event where schools are not able to re-open in July due to COVID-19, please be assured that we are going to move our lessons to Microsoft Teams and provide hard copies for those children who might struggle to join online lessons.

As a school, we are so blessed to have faced these challenges right at the end of term and our assessments are done. I think what is more important is for all of us (children, staff and parents) is to REST and STAY HOME this coming holiday. We must be proud of what we achieved this term.

Lastly, I appeal to all our parents to continue paying school fees to sustain the school and help us provide excellent education for our children.

Happy Father's Day to all Vuleka Dads!

Yours Sincerely

Mr Sanele Majola – Executive Head of Vuleka Schools

