

## **DEUTSCHE BOTSCHAFTSSCHULE NEW DELHI**

German Embassy School New Delhi Anerkannte deutschsprachige Auslandsschule

Dear parents of the students of DSND,

I would like to welcome you all very warmly to the new school year at the German Embassy School New Delhi and would like to take this opportunity to briefly introduce myself as the new principal.

My name is Martin van Neerven, I am 55 years old, married and father of two grown-up daughters. In the past I worked in Germany as a school principal in Cologne and Frechen. I was able to gain valuable experience as the school principal at German school abroad in Ecuador. In the last few years, I then headed the Federal Supervisory Board for schools abroad at the ZfA, which is now part of the Federal Office for Foreign Affairs. I am very much looking forward to my new job and to the opportunity to get to know you through personal conversations. I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to Ms. Kulow for the work she has done over the past year as principal.

Furthermore, three new colleagues have joined us:

Mr. Krug with the subjects English and History.

Mr. Katelouzos as a class teacher in the primary school

Mr. Loddo as further support for the primary school team

I would also like to welcome these new colleagues to the DSND.



On the first day of school, all students will be received and welcomed by the princi-

pal at the school gate. Then they will go to their classes together with the class teacher.

Parents are requested not to enter the school building on the first day of school. It will be possible for all new parents to meet the class teachers during the first week.

During the school vacations, the school building was freshly painted and repairs were done. The acrylic sheets on the classroom tables were removed. This change made it necessary to revise the school's Corona policies. The new regulations can be found under the following link:

English: Downloads: Deutsche Schule new Delhi (dsnd.de)

The new measures envision some relaxation in the daily routine mainly that you as parents can enter the school building again. All students, colleagues and visitors must continue to wear surgical masks in the corridors. This does not apply to the children of the primary school and Kindergarten, for them cloth mask is sufficient in the corridors as earlier.

Should the pandemic situation worsen or should several people in the school community get infected with Corona at the same time, stricter regulations will automatically come into effect. You can also find these stricter rules in the table.

Information regarding the first day of kindergarten and the first day of school in primary school will be provided to you in a separate communication.

The first day of school is a normal school day in secondary school, where there will be two lessons with the class teacher in the beginning. Class teachers will hand out the time tables on Monday and give the important information about the school year. As always, book distribution will take place in the movement room (Bewegungsraum).



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In October, the school will be expecting a school inspection from Germany. In preparation for this inspection, we will send you a questionnaire from the inspection team. I would like to ask you all here already to fill out this digital feedback sheet. You will receive further information on this shortly.

At this point, I would like to draw your attention to the dates of the parents teacher meetings of the primary school on August 17 and 23 respectively and the parents teacher meetings of the secondary school on August 25.

On August 25, there will also be an information event on the final exams for classes 10-12.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the school management team or myself as principal.

I look forward to meeting you in person soon.

Best regards

Martin van Neerven