



To the attention to all the students and parents

Object: communication about major public health crisis in China - outbreak of SARS (Strain of Coronavirus 2019-nCoV)

Dear parents, dear students,

You are aware about the current worrying situation of the outbreak of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome originating from Wuhan, which can be spread by humans (person to person transmission). CLCCL is currently monitoring hours per hours, the latest reporting from China's media but also from other different sources like World Health Organization, London Institute and US Center for Disease Control and Prevention. The WHO decides not to declare yet a global health emergency, but they are still currently meeting in Geneva due to the fact that the situation is degrading day by day affecting many districts now in China. The latest reports, depending of sources, are still ranging from 710 infected with 18 deads confirmed (Chinese sources), to about 7000 infected (British source).

Despite the fact that Chinese authorities expanded travel restriction around Wuhan, millions of people will move across the country this weekend for the Lunar New Year holiday. They are fears that the virus could spread further in the country (Shanghai, HK and Beijing are hit already, 4 districts put in quarantine). The incubation time is about 2 weeks before revealing fever, respiratory difficulty and lung lesions.

Part of you will/were probably leave for/or returning from China with your children and I hope that nothing will happen or happened during and after this trip, being back in Luxembourg.

The department of Santé of the Health Ministry from the Luxemburgish government was issuing a communication to the public to raise the awareness of the people and issuing some wise recommendations. Some schools in Germany are already closing their doors, therefore the CLCCL school must act as a responsible institution to avoid any risk for its students. A committee decision was taken last evening in order to decide and to put in place the safest measures to protect our children. So, the Committee decided to close the school after this Saturday 25 until end of the Carnival holidays. We will keep you informed of the evolution of the situation before to restart the courses.

About our Saturday 8th. February Open Doors, due to the obvious reasons of the danger of transmission of the virus by proximity, sitting in the same room (close contact, shoulder-to-shoulder crowds), we are obliged to postpone this beautiful event to a couple of weeks. So therefore, we have to cancel the event on the 8th. of February. I deeply regret that we should go for that responsible decision... It will be later one the same event as it was originally scheduled with all the performances and all the workshops. We will communicate on that in the coming weeks. We thank you for your deep understanding.

The President

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