



To Parents and Legal Guardians
of Engelberg Schoolchildren

Engelberg, 3rd April 2020

Corona Virus: Information for the Easter holidays and Emergency-Measures for the Engelberg Community Schools

Dear Parents and Legal Guardians

Closing the school has been a challenge for all families. In addition to the changes in everyday life and the working lockdown; looking after the children during the day is another task.

We would like to **thank you** from the bottom of our hearts for your marvellous help and understanding as well as for the motivation of the children. We are trying our best in this extraordinary time to provide you and your children with the possibility of a good education.

Easter holidays

The school measures remain until the Easter holidays which at present are planned from Friday, 10th April until Sunday, 26th April 2020. The students can practice and deepen the learned knowledge by themselves at home. The use of "School-Letterboxes" will not operate during the holiday period. The only exception are books from the School and Community Library unless special arrangements have been agreed with a teacher.

Emergency-Childcare during the Easter holidays

The Engelberg Community School continues to offer an emergency childcare supervision option during the Easter holidays. This option is open to all schoolchildren of the primary school. However, we ask you to only use this service in EXCEPTIONAL circumstances if there are no other alternatives.

- Childcare can be provided from 8.00-11.30am and 1.30-3.00pm
- Lunch will be available (regular fee: CHF 10.00 / Rayon: CHF 5.00)
- For this additional service children must be registered beforehand (see below).
- If children are unwell, they should not be sent to school. Children with a cough, runny nose or fever will have to be sent home for the welfare of the other children and staff members.

Register up to **Sunday, 5th April 2020, 12.00am**, by phone, e-mail or WhatsApp in the school office with Karin Flühler, if you take advantage of one of these offers: **041 639 52 46** / 076 341 63 90 / karin.fluehler@gde-engelberg.ch.

Please make a binding announcement for the week from **Monday, 6th to Thursday, 9th April 2020**. The registration process also applies equal during the Easter holidays:

Week from 14th to 17th April 2020

Registration date: Sunday, 12th April 2020, 12.00am

Week from 20th to 24th April 2020

Registration date: Sunday, 19th April 2020, 12.00am

Grandparents over 65 years of age, as well as those more vulnerable to the virus (such as asthma, diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure) should not look after children.

After the Easter holidays

Our teachers are working hard to provide a well structured learning system including optimised timetables (online in a virtual class room, self study time with coaching from the teachers, self study time offline, free task work, breaks, and planning sequences). Further information for the new term after the Easter holidays from Monday, 27th April 2020 will be provided in the **2nd week of the Easter holidays**.

Music school

The teachers of the music school have begun producing online lessons. These lessons take place over different platforms like "signal", "WhatsApp", "Skype" or different chat-functions. All parents and pupils were contacted and offered these types of classes. Approximately 90 % of them were interested, so that music lessons can continue.

Many thanks to all parents who are supporting our work. Thanks also to our teaching-staff, who have so quickly and effectively coped with this special challenge.

The music school fully adheres to the vacation regulations of the community school. This means the music school will **not provide any lessons during the Easter holidays**.

School- and Community Library Engelberg

The Library is closed at present and will remain so till the 19th April 2020. The library team will provide all members and schoolchildren with a home delivery service. This service will start from Monday, 6th April 2020. More information on how to order books from the library is stated in the enclosed letter or can be downloaded ('Corona: Anleitung Hauslieferservice Bibliothek') under: <http://www.gde-engelberg.ch/de/bildung/formularedokumente/>.

School social work

If you feel anxious or have personal questions concerning your family, child care or parenting, telephone the school social worker on 079 743 14 99. For more information see: www.se-cure.i-web.ch/gemweb/engelberg/de/bildung/schulsozialarbeit/.

Further information

- Please make sure, that you and your children follow the government advice: Wash your hands often! Use a tissue for coughs and sneezes or use your sleeve! Keep your distance from other people! Avoid socialising!
- If your child is showing symptoms of the Corona virus, please notify the school secretary immediately.

- You can get the latest information about school operations on the Website, Facebook and Twitter Accounts of the municipality: www.gde-engelberg.ch/de/bildung/bildungwillkommen/ or www.gemeindeschule-engelberg.ch.
- Current informations on the Corona Virus can be found on the Federal Governement website: www.bag-coronavirus.ch / Hotline BAG: 058 463 00 00.

If you have further questions please contact the class teacher.

We hope you stay healthy!

Best regards

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