



Dear AIS Parents and Families,

I hope this message finds you all well and looking forward to a long holiday weekend. I sincerely hope that you are able to find some time to enjoy some of the things you love. In case you missed it, here is our [Parent Thank You Video](#) I sent on Monday. We remain truly grateful for all you do to make our school the outstanding community it is.

Financial Relief

As you know, we have been working diligently with our Parent Teacher Association and School Administration for the past several weeks on finding ways to support our families during this unprecedented human and economic crisis. For example, we recently announced a tuition freeze for the 2020-2021 school year, in an effort to ease the financial pressures we know so many of you are experiencing at this time. Middle and High School families are also aware that we deferred the collection of OELP fees to the fall. Without knowing when or if school would resume, it was difficult to determine precise relief measures, as final operating costs are dependent on when students might be able to return to campus. AIS families may be interested in knowing that the majority of school fees are used to pay staff salaries and campus rent. In fact, over 90% of our budget is allocated for this purpose.

Now, as we approach the end of the academic year, we are better able to confirm all of our outstanding financial commitments, and we are pleased to offer a financial relief package to our families. Please note that we expect to receive additional funding from the government’s Covid-19 Employment Support Scheme, and this future funding has already been included in the financial relief measures outlined below.

PHASE I

High School HK\$4,000.00	Middle School HK\$3,500.00	Elementary EC2-Gr.4 HK\$3,000.00	Early Childhood 1 HK\$2,000.00
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These funds can be used in one of three ways:

- To offset 4th quarter tuition or re enrollment fees;
- As a credit for the 1st quarter tuition fees for 2020-2021, if tuition and re enrollment fees are paid;
- As a reimbursement, if all school accounts are settled and the family is leaving AIS.

PHASE II

High School HK\$4,000.00	Middle School HK\$3,500.00	Elementary EC2-Gr.4 HK\$3,000.00	Early Childhood 1 HK\$2,000.00
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These funds can be used:

- As a credit for 1st quarter tuition fees in the 2020-2021 school year.

Families are advised to email admin@ais.edu.hk to indicate their preference for PHASE I. Further details about refunds from California Coach and Cafe Concepts will be provided as soon as possible. Now that the government has announced the resumption of classes, they are now in a position to calculate final refunds.

And last but not least, we have extended our 4th quarter tuition fee payment deadline from 1 May to on or before 8 May, 2020.

School Resumption

As many of you have already heard, we are currently awaiting details from the EDB about school resumption. AIS has learned that the government is expected to announce a staged school resumption, beginning in late May. Families who are currently out of the country will need to consider their travel plans now, in order to fulfill the government’s mandatory 14 day quarantine. Please know that we have not received a commitment from the government to return students in Early Childhood this year. Further details regarding school start up will be provided as soon as possible.

School Year Calendar 2020-2021

We have now finalized our calendar for the upcoming school year and it can be found [HERE](#) for your reference.

I trust this message is welcome news for you and your family, and I sincerely hope you enjoy this upcoming long weekend. Sending you all a Happy Buddha’s Birthday and Labour Day ahead.

My best,

Anita Simpson
Head of School