

Dear Parents,

The corona virus has finally caught up with Zanzibar, and as a result all schools have been ordered to close until further notice. Teachers at ISZ are making final preparations to take learning online (see picture below). The first day of online learning is Monday, March 23. Please see below text box what you can expect on Monday.

This special edition of our weekly Friday newsletter will be the last one for the time being. Starting Monday, the administration of ISZ will send you a Daily Bulletin that will contain information, updates as well as suggestions for learning and play activities at home. We understand the challenges to families during a school closure. Not only do we have to think about how students can continue learning at home, but also how parents can keep their children engaged in activities while social contacts are being limited. These activities are intended to be in addition to the work your Homeroom teachers will be sending you.

Please remember to complete your SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDER by next Friday. You can drop off your order at the office M-F between 9am and 3pm.

High school parents, you may have seen that GCSE and A level exams in the UK have been canceled. The international examinations have NOT been canceled yet. We will keep you posted of any developments. In the meantime, mock exams continue.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend during these turbulent times, I remain,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr. James W. Pilton

WHAT TO EXPECT ON MONDAY

- All parents and middle and high school students will receive an email from the Homeroom teacher at 8am. This email will contain detailed information on the week's learning activities as well as links to the learning plan for the week and the Google Drive folder which contains learning materials.
- Please RESPOND to the email you receive from the homeroom teacher to ensure that s/he knows you have received the information. If you do not respond by 12pm Monday, the Homeroom teacher will call you.
- Please ensure the school has up-to-date emails and phone numbers.
- You should also have a Skype or Zoom account.



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- You will start receiving Daily Bulletins from Administration with updates, information and additional learning activities & suggestions.
- In the meantime, please start preparing a learning space for your child at home.