



TRINIDAD RENAISSANCE SCHOOL

66-68 Gordon Street, San Fernando, Trinidad
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27th August 2021

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

I do hope that you and your family are well. I know we had a few cases of members of the Renaissance family contracting the virus and thankfully are much better now. Unfortunately for those who may have lost a family member or close one, please accept our condolences from all of us at Renaissance.

Opening of School

Regarding the upcoming term, it is decided that we will remain fully online, and all students will attend school via our platform. If the situation improves, and students begin to return to physical school, it is expected that we at Renaissance will cautiously approach the return on a phase basis. It really is a wait and see situation. All the same we are prepared for both scenarios.

Staffing & Curriculum

In light of the changing needs of the school and preparations for effectively meeting the needs of the various arrangements in the near future, there are some additions to the staff. I would like to welcome assistant teachers Mrs. Seema Ramharack & Miss Daniella Boodoo. Additionally, we will be introducing French to the curriculum and now welcome Miss Shivaughn Banfield who will be looking after both French and Spanish.

For your information the staffing allocation for September is as follows:

Reception	-	Ms. Lackhee / Miss Harewood
Year 1	-	Mrs. Debie / Mrs. Ramharack
Year 2	-	Mrs. Maharaj / Mrs. Maniram
Year 3	-	Ms. Sturgeon / Mrs. Rampersad
Year 4	-	Mrs. Gobin
Year 5	-	Ms. Singh / Miss Boodoo
Year 6	-	Miss Maharaj
Spanish / French		Miss Banfield
Sanskrit		Mrs. Bhagwat
Coding / Library		Mr. Singh
Gym / Sports		Mr. John
Music (Violin)		Miss Goolcharan



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Online Platform and Resources

It is over a year now that we moved to our online school and fortunately, we were able to move seamlessly as we had most of the online resources in place. It might be useful for you to note the main online resource that we use and available to you the parents.

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| Our main Renaissance Platform | - From here you can access your classrooms, resource, reports, messages, Assembly Hall etc. |
| Discovery Education | - Access to all of Discovery Education resources, projects, assignments, Science, STEM books and resources. |
| CODING | - Access to the Coding course is via the Discovery platform. (Block Coding, Python and HTML available.) |
| MATIFIC | - All students have access to the online Mathematics platform Matific. |
| Renaissance Learning | - From here we administer our STAR Reading Assessment. This can be done online from home or at School. The results of these tests are analyzed and inform the teachers in planning for the individual needs of each student. |
| myON | - All students can access our online library. Note this is linked to the Star Assessment so the reading development of your children are targeted, and specific development needs are met. |

School Fees

For this coming term, the School Fees remains \$5300. For parents whose income was affected by the COVID-19 situation the fees were reduced to \$4700. International Fees were also adjusted (*Contact the office for details*). Additionally, you would have noticed, rather than charge for all the online resources at the start of the academic year namely in one term September. We decided to distribute the costing over the three terms of the year i.e., \$400 per term.



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Please note attached to this letter is the Calendar of events for the Academic Year 2021-2022. The term two and three activities are tentative. Our office hours remain 7:00 am – 4:00 pm. If you are making payments at the office, it must be completed by 3:00 pm. Important to note that we are NOT accepting cash at the office. You can make payments via Credit or Debit card at the office or via online transfer / Payment to the school accounts.

The first day of school will be on the Tuesday 7th September 2021. All students should login to our platform and enter the Assembly Hall. We will start at 8:30 a.m. You are also reminded that we will be conducting assessments the second week of school. Please look out for the collection of test papers schedule from your child's class teacher. For students that may still be abroad, the class teacher will contact you directly with the details.

Despite the challenges faced over the past year I am happy to say that Renaissance was able to provide the quality and standard we are accustomed to. We, of course, continue to develop and refine what we do. I have no doubt that the present conditions can be a catalyst, challenging us to go beyond our fixed limits. We not only have an opportunity to raise the level of education nationally, together have the opportunity to refine the quality of life for all our children.

I thank you for your support and the confidence you have shown in Renaissance. Please continue to be safe and I look forward to working with you this coming Year.

Kind regards,

Ravichandra Debie M.Ed., B.Ed.
Headmaster
Trinidad Renaissance School



TERM 1

School Reopens	7 th September
Emancipation Day Assembly	10 th September
Independence Assembly	14 th September
International Literacy Day	15 th September
International Day of Peace	21 st September
Republic Day Assembly	24 th September (Celebrated on 23 rd September)
Founder's Week	27 th September – 1 st October
Founder's Day & Awards Assembly	24 th September (1 st October)
Parent's Evening	8 th October (4:00pm)
World Teacher's Day	05 th October
Term Break	25 th – 29 th October
Divali	4 th November (Celebrated on 3 rd November)
Universal Children's Day	20 th November (Recognised on 19 th November)
Production Dress Rehearsal	6 th December
End of Year Production	7 th December
Christmas Fair	27 th November
Class Party & Cleaning	9 th December
School Closes / Distribution of Reports	10 th December

TERM 2

School Reopens	5 th January
Parent's Evening	28 th January (4:00pm)
Parent's One on One (Year 6)	11 th February
Carnival Village/Talent Show	25 th February
Term Break	28 th February – 4 th March
Parent's One on One	18 th March
Spiritual Baptist Liberation Day	30 th March
SEA 2022	31 st March
Sports Day and Family Day	8 th April
School Closes	8 th April
Good Friday	15 th April
Easter Monday	18 th April

TERM 3

School Reopens	25 th April
Eid-ul-Fitr	3 rd May (Special Assembly on 2 nd May)
Mother's Day	8 th May
Parent's Evening	13 th May (4:00 pm)
Indian Arrival Day	30 th May (Special Assembly on 27 th May)
Term Break	30 th – 3 rd May
Corpus Christi	16 th June
Father's Day	19 th June
Labour Day	19 th June (Special Assembly 17 th June)
Graduation	18 th June
School Closes	7 th July
One on One Parent Meetings	8 th July
Summer Camp	11 th 29 th July