



UFS International

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"Semper Sursum - Always Aim High"

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To the UFS Community,

FIRST LETTER OF 2022

I trust that all members of our community enjoyed a blessed December and that our students are well rested, and are looking forward to the new academic year with great enthusiasm.

The staff of UFS International are certainly looking forward to welcoming all students back on campus on Wednesday, 19 January. We hope that this year will be a normal school year with minimal disruption and a full co-curricular programme in action! We have many exciting developments lined up and look forward to sharing these with you as the year unfolds.

This, the first letter of the 2022 Academic Year, covers two important matters; uniforms and parent / teacher meetings. Further important information will be shared via ensuing newsletters.

I wish to remind all parents of what was communicated last year around uniform matters, and share again that text as below;

We are sensitive to the initial cost outlay of purchasing a new uniform. In addition to this factor, as a few of the new uniform items need to be manufactured for us, not all branded items will be available at the start of the new school year. The following arrangements will thus apply;

- We will allow students to wear their current school uniforms, or civvies for the duration of the first half of Term One. (Tuesday 8 March 2022).
- All students will be expected to wear uniform from after the Term One Mid-Term Break. No civvies will be allowed from Tuesday 8 March 2022.
- Students will be allowed to wear the current uniform, if it still fits and is in suitable condition, until the end of 2022. All students will also be allowed to wear the new uniform from after the Term One Mid-Term Break.
- All new students entering the school, including the Grade One's, are to wear civvies for the first half of Term One. All new students will be expected to wear the new uniform from after the Term 1 Mid-Term Break.
- All students will be expected to wear the new school uniform with effect January 2023.
- No mixing of new / old uniforms and civvies will be permitted.

If you wish to use our outstanding bus service, and have not yet done so, please do complete the transport request form and return it to Mr Wayne Sparham at w.sparham@usutuschool.com no later than 13h00 Tuesday 11 January.

An opportunity to meet your child's new Class Teacher or Form Tutor and get a first-hand overview of arrangements and expectations will be made available via online meetings through Google Meet from Grade 1 – Form 5, and via Zoom for Pre-Primary students on Monday 17 January 2022.

The reason for conducting these meetings online and not on campus is to negate the threat of COVID-19 by preventing large gatherings of parents on campus and in classrooms. Please set aside 45 minutes for these meetings. The meetings will be held at the following times;

- Grade 000, 00, 0, 6, 7 and Form 5 will be held at 15h00.
- Grade 1, 2, 3 and Form 1 and Form 2 will be held at 16h00.
- Grade 4, 5, and Form 3 and Form 4 will be held at 17h00.

Our administrative staff are back in the office from today so please do feel free to call or email for any assistance that may be required.

Yours in Education

Gareth Allman
Executive Principal

