



## Minutes of COVID WG - May 31st, 2021

### Participating

<b>Manuel Bordoy MB excused</b>	<b>Kristin Dijkstra KD</b>
<b>Isabelle Verwilghen IV</b>	<b>Karim Kettani K2</b>
<b>Martin McGrath MMG</b>	<b>Dina Dragomirescu DD</b>
<b>Niina Viima NV</b>	<b>Judith Ecker JE</b>
<b>Caroline Hulsen CH</b>	<b>Diane Werherth DW</b>
<b>Justine Dauchot JD</b>	<b>Stephanie Buus SB</b>
<b>Laure Nossent LN</b>	<b>Ambar Lietar AL</b>
<b>Eva Puttkamer EP</b>	<b>Dan Nicolae DN</b>
<b>Peter Segers PS</b>	<b>Marianna Cosco MC</b>
<b>Gilberto Castorini</b>	

Isabelle Verwilghen informs that the BAC started on time: one student in quarantine and one student late because of metro issues.

### Update on COVID cases

4 new cases in Secondary but only 3 who need a follow up as one pupil was not in school last week. One case is actually the same as last week, it's not a new case. Numbers in Secondary are still low even though everyone is back 100% in situ.

One maternelle class is in quarantine because an assistant has tested positive. Have to wait if a child is positive, but it's not yet the case. Then all the children would have to be tested even if they are under 6 years old. More to come during the day about this class.

### Enter & exit school buildings and school site from multiple points

This is quite important as school is 100% in situ again.

It seems that the W Building is a real nightmare these days. The risk of students being trampled is a serious concern.

Caroline Hulsen, responsable de la sécurité à l'école, précise que les 4 portes d'entrée sont ouvertes, mais si les deux escaliers sont ouverts dans les deux sens, cela serait un plus grand problème.

Peter Segers: one staircase going up and the other one going down and this should not change until the end of the school year.

Stephanie Buus is stating that some parents and students would like to increase the flow in the staircases but it doesn't seem to be feasible.

Dina Dragomirescu is also mentioning the entry & exit the school site that is overcrowded on Wednesdays, especially now that everyone's in situ.

Manuel Bordoy is stating that it would be more complicated to have two exits. There's not a significant number of secondary students leaving the school to allow this. Peter Segers is also against this idea.

### **Continue to remind Secondary teachers & students to wear their masks**

Parents feel there is a need to continue to remind Secondary teachers and students to wear their masks properly: covering nose and mouth, especially in corridors and staircases.

Isabelle Verwilghen: information to teachers and students is given each week but the vast majority is complying with the mask rules.

Judith Ecker: some isolated students are not wearing masks properly, especially in the staircases. They have different excuses to not use them correctly.

Manuel Bordoy states that reminders are being given frequently.

### **AOB:**

Martin McGrath has some feedback on nursery class: arrangements for online teaching resuming today.

Continuity of learning in the week ahead.

### **Buses**

Diane Werhert is informing the school that some busses are taking 2 hours to get to their destination point.

Why did the school NOT agree to let some busses leave by Drève Sainte Anne?

Also, with the « heat » in the coming days, these students are going to be suffocating with their masks on in the bus... and therefore might take them off.

Manuel Bordoy has sought advice from Safety and Security officer from the school as well as from OSGES who both stated it's too dangerous to allow busses to leave from Drève Sainte Anne.

Pedestrians are crossing and could cause a severe accident to anyone. And school's community well-being is his main concern.

Manuel Bordoy also mentioned that Peter Segers has been trying to do different things: Ville de Bruxelles townhall, police, the company who manages the works behind the school, etc. Visits to the royal palace are going to be stopped next week, and Manuel Bordoy hopes the situation will be alleviated.

In the buses, masks need to be worn like in every public transport whether a short or long distance. It's a safety and security issue.

### **Next meeting**

Meeting to be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 2021 at 9:00.