

To the members of the school community
of the European School Frankfurt

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Dear parents,
dear teachers and staff,
dear pupils,

The calendar year 2021 is coming to an end, a year that will probably be remembered as the year of the pandemic. We have learned to deal well with the pandemic and are pleased that we have been able to organise the first months of the current school year *in-situ*. We are confident that we will be able to continue in this way in the coming months. Should there be different political decisions, we will of course inform you immediately.

Unfortunately, we have also had to refrain from many school-related activities in the calendar year 2021, such as student concerts, school trips, theatre performances and joint festivals and celebrations. We hope to be able to organise these again soon as sources of strength and energy.

At the end of the year, we want to look back on what has been successful, be happy about it and build on it. We can optimise what was less successful with mutual support. But above all, we want to look to the future with confidence. Flexibility and the willingness to adapt to permanently changing conditions will continue to stay with us.

Christmas time is family time and therefore also travel time for many of us. Unfortunately, travel regulations are constantly changing and I kindly ask you to familiarise yourselves and comply with the latest regulations so that we can start *in-situ* teaching as planned after the holidays. Once again, I would like to sincerely thank you all for your tireless efforts. Take the time to recharge your batteries to take on the challenges ahead with a lot of optimism.

I wish you all a merry and peaceful Christmas season, joyful celebrations with your family and a happy and, above all healthy 2022.

Take care of yourself and your loved ones and stay healthy.



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