THE SCHOOL YEAR

THE SCHOOL CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE:

HTTPS://HAALEITISSKOLI.REYKJANESBAER.IS/MEDIA/6/SKOLADAGATA L-2025-2026.PDF

IT INCLUDES INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS, SUCH AS STAFF PLANNING DAYS, SHORTENED SCHOOL DAYS, WINTER HOLIDAYS, AND MORE.

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ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS

IN ICELAND, SCHOOLING IS COMPULSORY FOR CHILDREN FROM THE AGES OF 6 TO 16. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND SCHOOL ACCORDING TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR. PARENTS MUST NOTIFY THE SCHOOL IF A STUDENT CANNOT ATTEND FOR ANY REASON.

HRINGURINN/THE CIRCLE

HRINGURINN (THE CIRCLE) IS A 12-WEEK PROGRAM FOR NEW STUDENTS IN ICELAND. EACH WEEK, STUDENTS LEARN VOCABULARY BASED ON A SPECIFIC THEME. AFTER TWELVE WEEKS, STUDENTS RECEIVE A NEW TIMETABLE AND BEGIN ATTENDING MORE SUBJECTS WITH THEIR CLASS, IN ADDITION TO CONTINUING THEIR ÍSAT LESSONS.

ÍSAT CLASSES

ÍSAT STANDS FOR **ICELANDIC AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**. STUDENTS ATTEND THESE CLASSES WITH OTHER LEARNERS TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS IN READING, WRITING, SPEAKING, AND UNDERSTANDING ICELANDIC.

IT IS NORMAL FOR STUDENTS TO NEED **2 - 4 YEARS** TO GRASP THE BASICS OF A NEW LANGUAGE. CONTINUING TO LEARN AFTER THAT PERIOD IS IMPORTANT, AND IT HELPS IF STUDENTS ALSO KEEP READING IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE. A STRONG VOCABULARY IN THEIR FIRST LANGUAGE SUPPORTS THE LEARNING OF A NEW ONE.

WEATHER IN ICELAND

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT CHILDREN COME DRESSED APPROPRIATELY FOR THE WEATHER. THE WEATHER IN ICELAND IS CHANGEABLE AND CAN SHIFT VERY QUICKLY. CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR WARM, WATERPROOF SHOES AND COATS. IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO CHECK THE WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE NEXT DAY, FOR EXAMPLE ON VEDUR.IS OR YR.NO.

PERMIT - DAYS OFF SCHOOL

PARENTS CAN APPLY FOR A PERMIT FOR ONE-DAY LEAVE FROM THE CLASS TEACHER OR THE SCHOOL'S SECRETARY. IF A LONGER LEAVE IS REQUIRED, PARENTS MUST APPLY FOR IT **IN WRITING** WITH THE PRINCIPAL. APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE AND FROM THE SECRETARY. PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION DURING THE LEAVE.

SCHOOL LUNCH AND SNACK

STUDENTS HAVE A BREAK FROM 9:35-9:55 TO GO OUTSIDE, BEFORE THE BREAK STUDENTS CAN EAT A SNACK FROM HOME. WE ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO BRING A WATER BOTTLE TO SCHOOL.

SWEETS AND SUGARY DRINKS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT SCHOOL.

ALL STUDENTS RECEIVE HOT LUNCH, FREE OF CHARGE. PARENTS MUST INFORM THE SCHOOL OR **SKÓLAMATUR** IF THE STUDENT HAS ALLERGIES OR MAY NOT EAT CERTAIN FOODS DUE TO RELIGIOUS REASONS.

THE MENU CAN BE FOUND HERE:
HTTPS://WWW.SKOLAMATUR.IS/MATSEDILL

MOBILE PHONES

MOBILE PHONES ARE **NOT ALLOWED** DURING SCHOOL HOURS. IF A STUDENT BRINGS A PHONE TO SCHOOL, IT MUST BE KEPT IN THEIR BAG THROUGHOUT THE DAY.



SCHOOL NURSE

THE SCHOOL NURSE, KATHY, IS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL ON MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, AND FRIDAYS FROM 9:00 TO 14:00.