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Dear Parents,

As you will have learned through our communication channels, Betzy's School reopens on September 1st with “The Open Days”. These days will be an opportunity to finally, let our children to return to a live educational experience in its most natural sense.

In these months, comparing ourselves to our partner's kindergarten in Denmark, we have acknowledged even more how, it for children is essential to directly approach and interact with the environment in which they live. For example, when taking part in a trip to a zoo, we experienced how child listened and observed the differences between species (be it an animal or a plant) and made discoveries by touching and interacting with the animal or plant. Further, while waiting wait for its turn for physical interaction, the child was educated in the importance of patience and respect.

In this context, the closeness of the adult is hardly perceived by the child, especially when the adult withdraws from unnecessary interactions. Paradoxically, the figure of the observer-adviser educator is another important characteristic of Montessorian education: The child touches and manipulates the object in question, there, consequently causing children to imitate it on their own.

During the lockdown we experienced an alternative solution to this educational dimension: With distance learning we continued to provide an active comparison with the child through the precious support of the parent.

In light of what has been experienced, we ask for mutual support for the reopening of Betzy's School, scrupulously complying with the regulations for the management of the ongoing health emergency; we are in constant contact with the health and educational authorities to make sure all guidelines are implemented and followed.

In all this, however, we are sure to continue to search and find new solutions; we make you aware that we have renovated the rooms and interiors in order to facilitate social distances. Additionally, all interior of the School has been sanitized including rooms and furniture as well as all educational equipment.

We are open to any question, and happily suggest you visit our website www.betzys.it as well as Facebook and Instagram profiles, [@betzys.school](https://fb.com/betzys.school), where we have posted a video on the renovation of the School and practical information.

We thank you for your attention and commitment. See you at 

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