

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
as of: 12 March 2020

**NURSERIES/KINDERGARTENS/
AFTER-SCHOOL CARE CENTERS REMAIN OPEN**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As communicated in recent media coverage of the press conference held by the Government of Austria on 11 March 2020, the following information is of particular importance:

NURSERIES, KINDERGARTENS and AFTER-SCHOOL CARE CENTERS will NOT BE CLOSED by government authorities. **At the moment, these institutions will remain open primarily for children who cannot be cared for at home.**

The St. Nikolausstiftung acknowledges the recommendation of the Austrian government that children should be cared for at home to the greatest extent possible. This is an important mode of socio-political intervention to slow the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)! In this respect, we emphasize that persons at risk (grandparents, the chronically ill, etc.) should not take care of children.

Please **notify** your nursery/kindergarten/after-school care center **immediately, as to whether and when your child will require childcare services.**

The competent authorities for kindergartens in Vienna (the City of Vienna, MA 11) have not yet issued any official directives. We will inform you as soon as we receive any new information.

Please check our website regularly for updates:
www.nikolausstiftung.at

The director of your nursery/kindergarten/after-school care center will be happy to answer any questions you may have!

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Kind regards from your
St. Nikolausstiftung