



## German as a second language: Information for parents

Dear parents

To be able to learn successfully at school, children need to have a good command of German. Children whose first language is not German can receive support in the form of supplementary lessons in German as a second language (Deutsch als Zweitsprache (DaZ)).

I would like to inform you that your child, .....will receive DaZ lessons. The aim of these lessons is for your child to learn High German so that they are able to take part in the lessons the school offers.

I will contact you soon to invite you for a chat to discuss your child's progress in High German. You are also very welcome to drop in on the DaZ lesson on visitors' day. You can contact me to arrange to visit the class at any other time too.

I would like you to actively encourage your child in learning German, for example by motivating your child or making sure that they have the chance to meet German-speaking children outside school or that they read books in German.

Nurturing your own language is just as important for your child. Let them tell you about school in the language you speak at home and help them if they are not sure of the right words. Growing up speaking two languages is a wonderful opportunity that your child has.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Your DaZ teacher:

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Name, school, telephone number