

PARENT COMMUNICATION

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Subject: Return to School Outline Letter

Dear Parents,

I trust that you are all well and I would like to thank you for your continued support and patience during these uncertain times.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back to Al Yasmina Academy for the new academic year and have been meticulously planning a safe return that ensures we continue to provide outstanding education for all our students.

Phase one of this return will begin during the week commencing **30th August 2020**. All students will be invited to attend the academy at a specific time and date, where they will receive a personalised and bespoke half day induction programme. This will allow them to become familiar with the new systems and procedures in place. It will also allow students to meet their new class teacher, meet other students in their class and fully support their reintegration back into school life.

Details of your child's group will be communicated the week commencing 23rd August.

From Sunday 6th September, students will then be returning to school as outlined below. Please note that, in order to facilitate the best possible learning outcomes for our students, we have reduced the duration of each lesson and staggered lesson times until further notice.

Nursery, FS and Primary

- All classes will be split into 2 groups – A and B.
- Students will follow a 3-day/2-day combination over 2 weeks ensuring all students are in school 5 days over a 2-week period.

From w/c 6th September	Sunday, Monday Tuesday	Wednesday, Thursday
Week 1	Group A	Group B
Week 2	Group B	Group A

- All students will have the same amount of curriculum time in school ensuring a broad and balanced face to face provision.
- Teaching and Learning will be planned for very carefully to ensure that all face to face time is utilised and students are able to continue working more independently on activities set through Seesaw when at home.
- All students will be based in a fixed classroom for the majority of their lessons and will be taught by their specialist teachers where possible. Please note that face to face time for the teaching of core subjects will take priority.

- When students are not in school, high quality learning episodes will be available via Seesaw. These will be planned very carefully to complement face to face learning and promote independence.
- Additional specialist leaning episodes through Seesaw, will be available for those students who will remain on 100% distance learning.

Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12

- Form classes will be split into 2 groups – A and B.
- Students will follow a 3-day/2-day combination over 2 weeks ensuring all students are in school 5 days over a 2-week period.

From w/c 6th September	Sunday, Monday Tuesday	Wednesday, Thursday
Week 1	Group A	Group B
Week 2	Group B	Group A

- All students in the above year groups will have the same amount of curriculum time in school ensuring a broad and balanced face to face provision, with additional high-quality learning tasks being set via Teams for students to follow whilst working from home.
- Students in Year 7, 8 and 9 will be based in a fixed classroom for the majority of their lessons and will be taught by their specialist teacher whenever possible.
- Students in Year 10 will move to different classrooms and be taught by their specialist teachers.
- When students are not in school, high quality learning episodes will be available through Teams. These will be planned very carefully to complement face to face learning and promote progress.
- Additional specialist leaning episodes through Teams, will be available for those students who will remain on 100% distance learning.

Year 11 and 13 – we have prioritised examination students at this time.

- Year 11 and 13 will be in school full time.
- Students will move to different classrooms and be taught by their specialist teacher.

Our central Operational Risk & Safety team have been working with ADEK, health authorities and the team here at the school to establish the very best standards in regard to safety and health controls to help prepare our academy for re-opening. We will be sending out further information mid-August outlining all of the safety measures that have been put into place and safety requirements when coming back into the building.

Again, I would like to thank you for your support and trust in Al Yasmina Academy. We are extremely passionate about learning and about the service we provide to our families and will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that our students get the very best deal.

We look forward to seeing you all very soon.

Kind Regards,



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