



24th August 2021

Executive Principal Reopening letter – Essential Details

Dear Parent,

We are looking forward to the students returning to school on Sunday 29th August for KG2 – Grade 12 and Monday 30th August for Pre-KG and KG1. The official school start time for students is 7.20am, which is when Tutor Sessions will commence. As you are aware only vaccinated students age 12 and above can attend school full time for face-to-face learning. This letter is going to address the main points of information you need to be aware of for students returning to school.

Access to online learning

For students who are going to start with online learning, you will be receiving emails from Mr.Ansir and the students' Form Tutor with the exact details on how your child can access and logon to MS TEAMS. This is the main digital platform we will be using to deliver lessons for students at home. Students will be using MS TEAMS if the student is still on distance learning, including KG1 - 2 classes, which will also be live lessons. We will be sending the logon information to parents next week on Tuesday 24th August so you can support your child with the setting up of their devices. If you have any difficulties or challenges related to the set up process after this date, please contact Mr.Ansir. amahmood@nadaschool.edu.sa

Parent contact details (email and phone number)

It is essential that parents provide up to date email and phone numbers contact information, in order to receive essential information about your child and the return to school procedures. If you have only accessed this letter by the school website and have not received by email please make sure you update the admission office by contacting:

Mrs.Fatima	falsuhayyih@Nadaschool.edu.sa	+966 [0] 13 532 3338 Ext: 333
Mrs.Mayaddah	mayyadahm@Nadaschool.edu.sa	+966 [0] 13 532 3338 Ext: 333

Please **do not reply to the Info account email**, this is only used for distributing communications from the school to parents.

Vaccination records -

Students who are 12 years or older will be permitted to attend school but must have completed two doses of the vaccination. Students will need to have a mobile phone with the Tawakkalna app showing Immune – after having completed both doses. We will be checking these as student return to school. If a student does not have a record indicating immune, they will not be permitted to attend school in person.

Updating your child's Tawakkalna app status -

Please note that as a parent you will have to add your child's mobile phone number to your own Tawakkalna app in the 'Certify Mobile Number' for them to be able to have the app on their phone with an updated record of their vaccinations status. You can add the child's number by selecting **certify another person**, add their number and they will receive a code to their mobile which you then need to add to your app to activate.

Schedule of support to commence week 3 for Primary

Once the students are settled, we are aiming to implement a schedule of support for KG and Primary student so that they will be able to attend school for support from week 3 onwards. As per the MOE regulations last year, students are permitted to attend school on a limited basis for support. Further details about this provision will be shared in the coming weeks.

KG and Primary lessons

Over the past three weeks, the teachers have already been back at school preparing for the next academic year. We have many new initiatives happening particularly in teaching and learning this year. A strong focus for our teachers during the preparation weeks has been on developing the use of digital technologies to support learners.

Although our youngest students are not permitted to fully return to school until November, we have been developing ways and training teachers to make lessons online more engaging. Teachers will be using a greater variety of applications integrated within MS TEAMS. This will inevitably make lessons more fun, engaging, personalised and collaborative for students at home.

Bus transport

A bus schedule for collection and return of students has been arranged for those parents who have paid for this service. If you have not received details about this provision, please contact Mr. Mohammed Abdulgaffar from the accounts office on:

mgaffar@nadaschool.edu.sa ext.336

Please note that all students will also be required to show their Tawakkalna app and be temperature checked prior to being admitted on the buses.

Food and water

For those students who are attending school they will be required to bring their own pack lunch and drinks for the day, as currently we are not permitted to provide food services due to covid restrictions. Students will need to bring their own water as the water fountains are not allowed to be used, although we will keep a limited supply of water available for those who forget to bring water.

Compound entry gate pass

In order to access Nada Compound all parents will need a compound gate pass, as you will not be permitted to enter without this. A gate pass application is attached with this letter, for you to complete. Nada security will collect the gate pass from you when you arrive at the compound entrance. We will have sent the security team details of parents and children expected to arrive at NIS, they will cross-reference the form you will complete with our submitted list prior to allowing entry to the compound.

Distribution of books

Students who are attending face-to-face learning will have their books issued to them by the form tutors during the first week back to school. A separate arrangement will follow for the students who are at home on distance learning. A schedule of collection will be arranged during week 2 – 3, for parents to come and collect the books. In the interim all resources will be shared online including digital copies of books where required.

Uniform

Students who are at home will not be required to wear a uniform. For those students who are at school a uniform order form will be issued to them by the form tutor. You will need to arrange to come to school to make the payment for the uniform at the finance office. Mrs.Rafia, Mrs.Jean and Mrs.Khoala will organise a schedule in school for students to come and measure up prior to issuing the uniform. This will take place over the course of the first three weeks. Until uniforms are purchased students will continue to wear appropriate home clothes.

Yours sincerely,



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