

15th July 2021

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope this letter reaches you in the best of faith and health.

We understand this is a challenging time for all. We want to assure you that Alfirdaus College plans to continue to partner with you and your child/ren and to continue their Islamic education beyond the physical classroom. By continuing your child's Islamic education at home, it illustrates to your child the importance of continuous learning outside the classroom.

Due to the Government's lockdown orders, we have had to cease face-to-face classes and temporarily close all our centres. Our centres will remain closed until it is deemed safe for our students and staff to return. In the meantime, we will transition some of our programs to our online learning platform.

PROGRAMS CONTINUING FROM 26th JULY 2021

At this stage, the following programs only will be transitioned to our online learning platform that is scheduled to start Monday 26th July 2021:

- Bridging
- Intermediate (Quran and Islamic Studies)
- Halaqa (Islamic Learning Circles)
- Quranic Arabic

Our exciting online learning system will have a strong focus on the presentation and application of Islamic and Quranic concepts, utilising the Microsoft teams and/or Zoom platforms. It will include:

- Live-streamed video lessons with an Alfirdaus College teacher
- Pre-recorded videos
- Online exercises and guizzes
- Classwork activities

A member of our team will be in contact soon to discuss our online learning timetable with all registered students.

CANCELLED PROGRAMS

Unfortunately, <u>all other programs have been cancelled</u> for now. We hope and plan that the rest of our programs will resume, either in our centres or online. These include:

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- Early Learners (Al Aqsa, Madinah and Makkah)
- Foundation
- Quran Memorisation
- Tahseen Tilaweh
- Classical Arabic

NEW TERM 3 LESSON SCHEDULE

Program	Week 1 (12/7 - 18/7)	Week 2 (19/7 - 25/7)	Week 3 (26/7 - 1/8)	Week 4 Onwards (2/8 until further notice)
Bridging	OFF	OFF	Online classes	Online classes
Intermediate Halaqa Quranic Arabic	Catch up class in Term 3 holiday period	Catch up class in Term 3 holiday period		
All other programs	No classes until further notice			

ONLINE CLASS FEES

If you have completed your Term 2 payments and have at least paid a deposit for Term 3, your fees will be transferred towards you child/ren's online classes. If you have not paid for Term 2 in full and/or placed a deposit for Term 3, we kindly ask that you contact us to arrange your payment immediately so your child/ren can begin their Term 3 classes online.

CANCELLED CLASS FEES

If your child/ren's class will <u>not</u> be transitioning online and you have paid for Term 3, your fees will be credited towards further face-to-face classes when they resume. If you have paid for Term 3 and/or 4 <u>and</u> do not wish to continue, you may request a refund, however we encourage you to be patient until we have all classes resume either online or face-to-face.

ONLINE CLASS FEES

Online class fees will remain the same cost as face-to-face classes.

We are excited to launch our online learning system again and ask that you take this opportunity to properly communicate and prepare your child/ren for the transition to an online platform. A device (a computer, iPad or tablet), good internet connection along with a quiet area is essential to ensuring an effective study



environment. If your child/ren will start online classes, please expect a call from our staff to confirm your child/ren's timetable soon.

If your child/ren is/are registered in a program that will not be transitioning online, we encourage you to revise what your child/ren have learnt in previous terms from their workbooks and to read from the Quran as regularly as possible. If you have any curriculum-based questions, we have a dedicated 'hotline' to support you with your child/ren's learning at home. Please feel free to contact Ms. Arwa on 0490185198, Monday to Thursday between 11am to 1pm.

Alfirdaus College, as a not-for-profit organisation, would not have thrived without the support and dedication of our amazing students, parents/guardians and staff. We thank you for your understanding and ask for your patience and work with us as we manage this challenging period.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Head Office on (02) 9791 6777 Monday to Friday from 9am to 2pm, or send an email to info@alfirdaus.com.au.

Kind Regards,

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