

15th September 2021

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope this letter reaches you safe and well.

We understand this lockdown has been difficult for all, especially on our child/ren. We miss all the students in our classrooms and around our centres. Although we would love to see all of our students soon, we have come to a realisation that we won't be able to run face-to-face classes for the remainder of 2021 due to lockdown and restrictions. This is why we are inviting all our students to transition to online classes for the remainder of 2021.

Our aim is to resume face-to-face classes in Term 1, 2022. However, if the Government permits a partial return to face-to-face classes this year, we will be holding special smaller programs such as revision classes, workshops, seminars, assessments, and graduation practice. Our main classes will remain online. We would like to thank you for your patience and we want you to rest assured that your children's Islamic education is our priority and we will continue to work with you on this journey.

Many of our programs have already successfully transitioned online. Now, we are inviting students from Aqsa 1-8, Madinah 1-6 and Foundation 1-8 students to start online classes from Term 4, 2021 using the ClassDojo and Zoom platforms.

ClassDojo offers a wide range of learning and communication functions that encourage students to engage with the content, their peers and teacher as if they were in a classroom. You will be required to download the ClassDojo app to join and connect with your child/ren's class. ClassDojo is free – there are no charges for downloading and using the app. ClassDojo can also be accessed in a browser on a computer or laptop.

Zoom will also be used for some classes for live teaching sessions. Zoom links will be sent to you when required, and it works by simply clicking on the link to gain access to the live session.

Our exciting online learning model for Aqsa 1-8, Madinah 1-6 and Foundation 1-8 will continue with the content that students were learning in their classes, and will have a strong focus on the presentation and application of Arabic, Islamic and Quranic concepts. The learning model will include:

- Weekly 40 minute lesson/s on Microsoft Teams and/or Zoom (Foundation 1-8 students only)
- Weekly video lessons and motivational videos (Aqsa and Madinah students only)
- Homework and parent communication
- Personalised, direct real-time feedback from your child's teacher
- Access to revision worksheets and classwork activities
- Weekly Islamic story (Aqsa and Madinah students only)

Your child will require their class workbook and, for Foundation 5-8 students, a copy of the Juzza Amma (Juzza 30 from the Quran). If your child does not have a copy

of their class workbook, it can now be purchased online from our website www.alfirdaus.com.au/2021-online-classes.

NEW TERM 4, 2021 LESSON & PRICE SCHEDULE

Program	Platform	Term 4 Dates	Cost/Term
Aqsa 1-8	Class Dojo and Zoom	11 th October to 19 th December 2021 (10 weeks)	\$165
Madinah 1-6			\$220
Foundation 1-8			\$220

Our online learning platform will be discounted for all students. Any fees paid in advance will be credited toward your child/ren's online learning fees. Please refer to the table above to see the price of your child/ren's class/es.

We will be in contact with you soon to provide you with more information and invite your child/ren to our exciting online classes.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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 us on 0490 185 198, Monday to Thursday between 11am to 1pm.

If you require any technical assistance to get your child started online, please contact us on 0412 535 808, Monday to Sunday from 12pm.

We are excited to launch our online learning lessons on ClassDojo and Zoom and ask that you take this opportunity to prepare your child/ren. Your child/ren will require a device that has access to sound (a computer, laptop, iPad or tablet) and a good internet connection.

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 period.

Keep up-to-date with our online classes. All online learning information is available on our website: www.alfirdaus.com.au.

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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