

27 January 2022

Assalamu alaikum Parents/Guardians

TERM 1 COMMENCEMENT

We welcome you all to the 2022 education year at Al-Taqwa College. We trust that you enjoyed a well-earned break with family and friends and look forward to an exciting year ahead.

Starting dates will commence as follows to ensure a smooth transition into the new year.

Monday 31 January Foundation students commence as well as Year 12 boys attending the school camp

Tuesday 1 February Students in Years 1-12 commence and any Year 12 boys who are **not** attending the school camp.

Masks must be worn for students in Years 3 and above and hand sanitising will be encouraged throughout the day. It is highly recommended for students in Foundation to Year 2 to wear masks, however this is based on parent discretion.

All students must be in full school uniform and have all essential items as the Administration Staff will not be accepted items forgotten at home. The Canteen will open from Monday 31 January 2022 with all lunch orders to be placed by the end of homeroom, the canteen will be open at recess and lunch for snacks. School buses will commence on Monday 31 January.

Please see the [2022 Al-Taqwa College Drop Off, Pick Up & Student Day 1 Meeting Location Map](#) that indicates where your child is to meet on their first day of school for students in Foundation, Years 1, 2 and 6-12. Students in Years 1-2 will gather at meeting points as per the attached map and students in Years 3-5 will go directly to their classrooms.

On Monday 31 January, all Foundation students are to go to the foundation playground behind the administration building where they will be welcomed by their homeroom teachers. Color coded class lists will be displayed on the front windows of the admin building and the on the gates near the drop off zone. Further to this letter, foundation teachers will also be communicating information to parents via class dojo by the end of this week.

For foundation students travelling on buses, staff will be allocated to the bus area to assist the students once the buses arrive and walk them over to the classrooms. Staff will also walk students over their respective buses at dismissal time.

Teachers of Years 1-5 will also be communicating information to parents via class dojo by the end of this week.

Parents are not permitted to enter the school grounds except for the foundation playground where it has been stated below.

Drop Off & Dismissal Process

Foundation: Please refer to the map. Parents/guardians will drop off and pick up students from the Foundation playground. There will be clear signs to assist parents.

Grade 1 students: Please refer to the map. Student will enter the school grounds on the left side of the admin building. Parents/guardians will pick students from gates outside the grade 1 building in the bus area. There will be clear signs to assist parents.

Grade 2 Students: Please refer to the map. Student will enter the school grounds on the left side of the admin building. Parents/guardians will pick students from gates end of the Foundation building on the bus area side. There will be clear signs to assist parents.

Grade 3 students: Please refer to the map. Student will enter the school grounds on the left side of the admin building. For the first 2 weeks, grade 3 students will be picked up from the grass area in front of the admin building. From week 3 onwards, students will be walked over to that area by their teachers for dismissal and not to await pickup.

Grade 4 and Grade 5 students: Please refer to the map. Student will enter the school grounds on the left side of the admin building. Students will be walked out to the front of the school (in front of the admin building) for dismissal.

Grade 6 students: Please refer to the map. Students will enter and exit the school grounds at the gate on the left side of the admin building.

Year 7 – 9 students: Please refer to the map. Students will enter and exit the school grounds at the gate between Building M and the Mosque.

Year 10-12 students: Please refer to the map. Students will enter and exit the school grounds at the gate just past the 229 Sayers Road sports court.

We look forward to your continued cooperation.

Kind regards

Omar Hallak
Principal