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5th January 2021

### **Subject: Welcome Back to School 2021 – Term 2**

Dear Valued Parents,

On behalf of the Management and staff at the Al Ain Juniors School, we are happy to welcome your children back to school from a well-deserved winter break. We hope they enjoyed the vacation and are back well rejuvenated and ready to begin their classes with all the vigor, focus, and enthusiasm as we move on into a new term.

Wishing you and your family a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year 2021, with prayers that this dreaded virus subsides and eradicates completely and things come back to normal again.

Al Ain Juniors School continues to join hands with the authorities, parents, teachers, and students to combat and prevent the spread of COVID19. As the New Year 2021 unfolds, it is our responsibility to keep ourselves safe, by following the guidelines laid by the government.

We are happy to continue the productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we are and will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

As the entire school From ( KG to Grade 12) has to go on Full Distance Learning (DL) for the first two weeks after reopening, as per the guidelines received from ADEK, we request you to follow the below mentioned guidelines for your children.

#### **Guidelines for Students:**

- Follow daily routines for engaging in the learning experiences ( beginning at 7:45 am)
- Identify a comfortable, quiet space in your home where you can work effectively and successfully.
- Regularly monitor online platforms to check for announcements and feedback from your teachers.
- Complete all assignments with integrity and academic honesty, doing your best work.
- Do your best to meet timelines, commitments, and due dates.
- Communicate and take an active part during lessons. Be a part of the learning environment.
- Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills.

#### **Students to share with their Parents**

- School experiences so that you are aware of his/her school life.
- Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject.
- Knows that you expect him/her to succeed in school and go on to build his/her future.
- Refer to ADEK Parent Guide for health and safety - school reopening.

### **ASSSSMENT in Term 2**

- Progressive tests, quizzes, research work, projects, assignments are a part of the Continuous Assessment.
- Second Formal Assessment will begin on **7th February 2021**.
- End of term Examination will begin from **15th March 2021**.

We are pleased to share the following important dates regarding the upcoming:

**Spring holidays, Summer holidays, and other information for the Academic Year 2020-21:**

### **MID –TERM BREAK:**

- 14th February to 18th February 2021.

### **SPRING HOLIDAYS:**

- The last working day for students is **Wednesday, 25th March 2021**.
- Spring break commences on **Sunday, 28th March 2021**.
- The school reopens on **Sunday, 11th April 2021**.

### **SUMMER BREAK:**

- **Summer Break Schedule:** As requested by many parents regarding the summer vacation dates, kindly find the schedule for the same.
- Summer break will commence from **Wednesday, 30th June 2021**.
- The school will re-open on **Sunday, 29th August 2021**.

### **INTRODUCTION OF NEXSQUARE APP:**

As part of our continuous efforts to upgrade our schools operating and functioning systems to achieve better standards in important areas, AJ Group has partnered with Nexsquare to launch an agile and convenient app to keep up with your child's educational journey. You can stay updated with your child's attendance, academic performance, behaviour and incidents, school events and upcoming fee dues. Parents can also make online fee payments, view dashboards and communicate with teachers through the app.

The app is in the final testing phase and will be launched soon. For more details, please visit our school website under 'For Parents> Nexsquare App-Parent Portal' or click the link <http://www.alainjuniors.com/parents/nexsquare-parent-portal>.

### **ADMIN OFFICE:**

- **School Office Timing** - The school Office work timing is from 8 am to 3:30 pm, Sundays to Thursdays. The parent's timing for visit/payment transaction is from 8 am to 3:15 pm. School safety guidelines will apply.
- **School Fees** - We highly commend the parents who have kept their fee payment record up to date and have paid all their dues on time. In case the outstanding dues haven't been paid, you are requested to clear all fees before **9<sup>th</sup> January 2021** to ensure that you receive your child's Term 1 report card and the tuition services remain uninterrupted. Please note that Distance Learning Service (DL) will be suspended from 10th January 2021, if the outstanding amount is not paid in full.

- **Mode of Payment** – School fees can be paid via the Skiplly App, details of which can be found on our website (<http://www.alainjuniors.com/online-fee-payment>). You can also chose to pay via Bank transfer or in person at the school reception during office hours.

#### **NEW STAFF - INTRODUCTION:**

It is with great pride and excitement that we would like to introduce our new interns who have joined AJ family during winter break.

- **KG Supervisor – Miss Sana Ageel James**  
Ms. Sana has worked in this field of education in Kindergarten for 9 years. She will add another layer of success in our Kindergarten department.
- **Head of Department for Islamic Studies – Mr. Zuhair Azmi**  
Mr. Zuhair has worked in this department in various positions for the last 14 years and joins us with a wealth of knowledge and experience.

The entire AJ staff is privileged to be a part of this school fraternity and is geared up to serve our esteemed students & parents.

We thank you, dear parents, for your continued support and look forward to a successful term.

With Best wishes,  
AJB Administration