



مدرسة الوحدة العربية Arab Unity School

British Curriculum, Affiliated to the University of Cambridge

Secondary School Weekly Newsletter

14/10/2021

Dear Parents

The Secondary School presents its eighth weekly newsletter of the academic year 2021-22. We hope this newsletter finds you all safe, healthy and happy!

Founders' Day

We will have our school's 47th Founders' Day celebrated on Sunday 17th October. Investiture Ceremony and Prize Distribution to the IGCSE/AS/AL toppers also will take place in the same event. Only participants will attend the function on campus. Rest of the students will be able to watch the programme online. Link to the live programme will be shared on Edunation on Sunday morning.

Half Term Break

The KHDA approved half term break starts on Monday, 18th October. School will reopen for students on Sunday, 24th October.

Curricular Test 1

Curricular Tests 1 for Year 7 to 11 are completed today, 14th October. Teachers are busy marking answer scripts. These scripts will be shared with students and the area of improvement will be discussed in lessons in the week starting on 24th October.

Parent Teacher Meeting

Secondary School Parent Teacher Meeting will be held in the week after the Half Term Break. Meeting date, time and other details will be shared in the next week's newsletter.

CAT 4 Assessments for year 8 and 10

CAT 4 Test for the Academic Year 2021 will be conducted in the month of October for year 8 and Year 10 students. The test dates and timings are as follows:

Day	Group	Time
Monday -25 October	Year 8 BOYS	8:15 – 10:30
Monday -25 October	Year 8 GIRLS	11:00 - 1:15
Tuesday -26 October	Year10 BOYS	8:15 – 10:30
Tuesday -26 October	Year10 GIRLS	11:00 – 1:15

Regular lessons will go on as usual when students are not writing the CAT4. Please note these tests will be conducted in school only and there is no provision of retest. All students need to bring their own devices(laptops preferably) and headsets for the tests. Students who can not arrange own devices must have sent request through the link that was shared on Edunation with CAT4 details.

School Timings After Half Term break

In order to ease the traffic congestion around the school, we trialed different dispersal timings this week. The dispersal arrangements in Secondary School on Sunday 24th October will be as follows:

- School Buses will leave at 1:45pm.
- Own Transport students will be released from the Taher Hall Gates from 1:55pm.

Dispersal Gate for Secondary Students

Secondary School Own Transport students use the Taher Hall Gate for their exit. But if they have siblings in Primary School, they leave with the youngest siblings. The younger siblings should not be brought to the Taher Hall Gate.

General Code of Conduct, Behaviour and E- Safety policies

All students must adhere to the general code of conduct in school. The revised behaviour policy and e safety policy are updated on our online portals. All students and parents must go through these policies. Students must come to school in complete and proper school uniform including correct school shoes. We have a proper behaviour log system in place wherein students are tracked on the pastoral level and all behavioural concerns are recorded. Parents are notified through emails and/or phone calls about such issues as per the policy and they are asked to fill and sign the undertaking form.

Bring Your Own Devices

All students in Secondary School need to bring their own device for learning. These devices should be laptops, iPads or tablets only.

Note:

1. Students are not allowed to bring mobile phones to school. If found, these will be confiscated.
2. Any VPN application is illegal on any device hence it is strictly restricted in the school. It must be deleted before the device is brought to school if it is already installed.

Students Visiting School Clinic

It has been reported that some students in the Boys Secondary School are visiting the school clinic to refill their water bottles or to get masks. Please note, it is not safe to visit the clinic for other than medical reasons due to the health and safety purpose. All students are required to bring one extra mask and enough water for the day from home else they can use the vending machines available in school.

Updating Contact Details

If there is any change in your registered contact number or email ID with school kindly update the same by sending us email on these IDs:

namrata.bobade@arabunityschool.ae for Secondary Girls

raji.eltom@arabunityschool.ae for Secondary Boys

Communication for Specific Year Groups

Kindly use the following email addresses for any year group specific communication so that it is easy, direct and more effective.

For Senior Boys School:

yearleader7boys@auschool.ae

yearleader8boys@auschool.ae

yearleader9boys@auschool.ae

yearleader10boys@auschool.ae

yearleader11boys@auschool.ae

For Senior Girls School:

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Wish you all a happy and relaxing weekend!

Regards

Heads of High School

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