

AL NOORI NEWS

Al Noori Muslim School

Our mission is for all students to be empowered, resilient and future-focused.

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents for their cooperation and patience as we manage the evolving situation and the developments regarding the COVID 19 pandemic. While we continue to follow Government and Health Department guidelines, the school is committed to a contingency plan that will cater to our school community needs.

In light of recent developments and in the best interest of our students' health and safety we encourage all parents to keep their children at home as of Thursday 26th March 2020. Information updates will be communicated to parents via Sentral text messaging, the School Website, School Noticeboard and emails to parents.

COVID 19 UPDATE

As it is an expectation that ALL children remain at home until further notice, students must access the online learning system in place to continue with their education.

ATTENDANCE

In line with school policy and legislative requirements, with online home learning, your child's attendance must be registered. From Thursday 26th March 2020, all students will have to log in their presence online. Attendance will be monitored by executive members.

The following procedures apply:

High School

- Log in on Microsoft Teams between 8:30am—
 8:40am (during Period 1).
- Students must log in to every period on their timetable through Microsoft Teams to verify their attendance for that period.
- If your child is unable to participate in the online learning program for the day or class for any justifiable reason, please send a clarification to the subject teacher.
- Sentral PxP rolls will be used by subject teachers and the Welfare Coordinators to record and track student attendance.

Primary School

- Log in on ClassDojo between 9:00am 9:10am
- Send a 'I am present' message to the class teacher.
- If your child is unable to participate in the online learning program for the day for any justifiable reason, please send a clarification during the allocated roll call time, e.g. 'Sick'.
- The class teacher will record the attendance on a roll.

YEARS 7 TO 12

- Microsoft Teams and Meetings will be utilised with Years 7 - 12 students and their families during the online home learning phase.
- Students must use their school email to log on to their subject teams at the start of every period and participate in the mixed mode delivery of the lesson.
- Students are expected to communicate with their class teachers for any clarifications or submissions.

HIGH SCHOOL TIMETABLES

- Students need to follow their current timetables which will be allocated through Microsoft Meetings.
- The following times apply for the high school online learning.

Period 0: 7.30-8.30	Period 4: 12.00-1.00
Period 1: 8.30-9.30	Period 5: 1.30-2.30
Period 2: 9.30-10.30	Period 6: 2.30-3.30
Period 3: 11.00-12.00	Period 7: 3.30-4.30

KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

- ClassDojo will be the main learning management system utilised with K-6 students and their families during the online home learning phase through their parents' account.
- At 9:00am, the teacher will CHECK IN with the students, mark the roll and assign the morning student tasks.
- At midday (12:00pm), the teacher will CHECK ON task progress, provide feedback and assign the afternoon student tasks.
- At 3:30pm, the teacher will CHECK OUT with the students, provide feedback and assign the student homework tasks.

ASSESSMENT

Term 1 assessments and their weightings will be modified to ensure that no student is penalised or disadvantaged. Any assessment requirements will be communicated clearly to all students in line with the School's Assessment Policy.

SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICE

All existing counselling students will still have an opportunity to access this service remotely, should the need arise.

Please email <u>counsellor@alnoori.nsw.edu.au</u> to set up a phone appointment where necessary.

ONLINE USAGE PROTOCOLS

- ClassDojo and/or Microsoft Teams are communication tools for the classroom, which aim to connect staff, parent/caregivers and students.
- Each class teacher at Al Noori Muslim School will utilitise various aspects of ClassDojo or Microsoft Teams to support student learning and communicate with parents/caregivers of children in their class
- Parents/students are requested to turn on notifications on ClassDojo or Microsoft Teams.
- Any images not directly related to the online learning tasks must not be posted. This includes images of students.
- ClassDojo and/or Microsoft Teams will not be used for Instant return messaging of questions from parents or for complaints.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Our staff work hard to provide an excellent education for our students at Al Noori Muslim School and will maintain their duty of care. Teachers, however, are not expected to instantly respond to ClassDojo or Microsoft Teams messages and can set 'quiet times' where they will not be alerted if there is a message. This is important for the wellbeing of our staff, particularly weekends or in the evenings. Please be understanding if a staff member does not immediately respond to you.

Behaviour or language that is not appropriate in a school or classroom setting is not permitted on ClassDojo or Microsoft Teams, which is being used by the school for educational purposes.

ALL ONLINE COMMUNICATION IS MONITORED AND ANY BREACHES OF SCHOOL POLICIES WILL BE ADDRESSED BY THE EXECUTIVE TEAM.

HELPDESK

If students encounter any issues with their schoolissued email accounts or their access to Microsoft Teams or Meetings, they can email helpdesk@alnoori.nsw.edu.au.

We pray for everyone's safe return to school in the near future.

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