

Our core purpose is that every young person should gain as much as possible from our school, based on our belief that all learners can, need and want to achieve.

This email is for parents of students in Preschool to Year 13.

Dear Parents,

On behalf of all the staff at DBS I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support throughout the last week in getting your children ready and prepared for learning each day during our first week back to school 100%. I'd also like to mention the team of staff at DBS who have been remarkable in the way they have adapted at such short notice to get the school ready for 100% learning. We are all aware that this will take some time to adjust for us all, but through working together and sharing any concerns you have we aim to transition as smoothly as possible back into full time learning.

From Sunday this week we held extended tutor time periods so students had the opportunity to reengage with classmates that some may not have seen in school for over 18 months. Our PSHE programme and assembly schedule is also now fully operational where we can reestablish a sense of community within our House groups and Year groups. Whilst we have returned 100% I must remind all our parents to remain extra vigilant, despite the significant reduction in cases in Qatar we must all continue to follow the MoEHE guidelines in keeping one another safe. Please continue to encourage your children to:

- Wash and sanitise hands regularly
- Wear a mask at all times when in school
- Socially distance 1 meter

Traffic/pickup and drop off

We will be implementing changes from Sunday 10th October to the drop off and pick up area directly outside the main front school entrance to ease the congestion and improve the flow of traffic. We will be creating a pick up/drop off layby for parents/drivers directly in front of the school. This will be sectioned off by barriers and senior members of staff will direct the traffic into this area. This will be in operation during the peak times between 6.45am - 7.15am in the morning and 1.25pm -2pm in the afternoon.

If I could remind parents when dropping or picking children up from school to follow all road safety measures. The DBS Senior Leadership team are all on hand to assist and ensure children are safe, however please can I ask you to be considerate and understanding to other drivers and the environment you are in, keeping to the speed limits and avoiding overtaking at all times. Please also be mindful that our local residents need access to their vehicles and driveways, so please avoid leaving your vehicle unattended and blocking any parked cars outside their entrances. In addition to the new

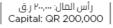
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changes, to further assist with the management of the traffic I would encourage parents where possible to consider the follow:

- Carpool with other families reducing the number of vehicles in the school vicinity
- Sharing Ubers/Karwas with families living in the same area
- Delaying picking up children from school the school libraries are open for students to remain in school if they wish from 1.30pm onwards.

I acknowledge there is no easy solution but, if we all try to work together we can put measures in place to ease the situation and reduce the amount of traffic around the school site for the good of our community.

School Website/Social Media

I'd like to remind parents we have been updating our school website to provide you and the wider DBS community greater understanding of what goes on in our school and to draw your attention to some updated policies. Please, if you get the opportunity, you can access some of the links where you will find interesting information on the school's curriculum, school newsletters, our character development strategy, examination outcomes and much more. Click here to view the school website. Please also follow us on our social media accounts where you will see regular updates about what's going on at DBS Ain Khaled.

DBS Facebook Page
DBS Instagram Page

Parent Survey

And finally, as always we are keen to hear your views and thoughts on the direction of travel of DBS. Please find attached a quick parental survey <u>link</u> that will inform Senior Leaders and shape the direction of travel of DBS. Your support is greatly appreciated and as always should you wish to discuss any matters with any members of the Senior Leadership team then please contact the school and we will be delighted to meet and discuss any school matters with you.

Thanks again for all your support.

Best Wishes,

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