

Darul Ulum College of Victoria

1 October 2021

Assalamu Alaikum Wr. Wb.

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

I pray that you and your families had a safe term holiday.

Consistent with the recent government directives, all students, excluding VCE students, will continue with remote learning for the first few weeks of the term. Thereafter, a staggered return to onsite learning will eventuate from Monday 18 October and Tuesday 26 October, subject to students' year levels.

Please refer to the attached Students' Onsite Attendance Schedule for the exact dates outlining the return of students based on their year levels. This schedule has been issued by the Department of Education in consultation with DHHS, and therefore, we do not have any flexibility in amending the schedule. This implies that when there is more than one child attending school, the onsite attendance days may vary between one child and the other.

On days where certain year levels are not scheduled to attend school, students will not be approved for onsite learning. We totally understand the inconvenience this will cause to many families; however, schools are obliged to implement this schedule given the current situation.

Please pay due attention to the summarised points and guidelines below:

- Remote learning via MS Teams will commence on the first day of Term 4 for all year levels excluding Year 12: Tuesday 5 October. Monday 4 October is a student-free day.
- Approved vulnerable students and children of authorised workers will resume onsite learning as of Tuesday 5 October, subject to confirmation delivered to the relevant parents by the school's Case Officer.
- When onsite attendance commences, students who are displaying flu-like symptoms, ill, have been asked to isolate / quarantine or have been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of coronavirus must stay at home.

- On days when students are not scheduled to be onsite, classes for these year levels will be delivered remotely as per the daily timetable.
- As per the current directive, school staff and secondary school students aged 12 or older must always wear a face mask indoors and outdoors at school, unless a lawful exception applies.
- The canteen service will be suspended for the remaining of the year to avoid the risk of cross-contamination and the congestion of students in confined spaces.
- With the provision of daylight saving and to mitigate the risk of cross-contamination when using a shared ablution facility, students must pray the Dhuhr prayer at home upon their return. Parents are urged to actively monitor this.

Please refer to the school's detailed Covid Safe Measures and Health Directives in the Schoolbox link below – using your log in details or that of your child.

https://schoolbox.dulum.vic.edu.au/send.php?id=33709

Finally, on behalf of the school's management, we urge our community to observe and exercise vigilance in relation to the current restrictions for our safety and that of our loved ones as we beseech Allah Ta'alaa to spare us all from this pandemic.

Regards, Abdurrahman Gokler Principal

Students' Onsite Attendance Schedule	
Onsite attendance commences from / Year levels	Weekdays
 Tuesday 5 October: Approved vulnerable children and children of authorised workers GAT students 	■ Full time – Five days
Wednesday 6 October: Year 12 students only	Full time – Five days
Monday 18 October: Foundation students only	Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Monday 18 October: Year 1 and Year 2 students only	Thursdays and Fridays
Tuesday 26 October: Year 3, Year 4, Year 8 and Year 9 students only	Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Tuesday 26 October: Year 5, Year 6 and Year 10 students only	Thursdays and Fridays
Tuesday 26 October: Year 7 and Year 11 students only	■ Full time – Five days
Friday 5 November: All levels	Full time – Five days

Link: Staged return to onsite learning for schools | Coronavirus Victoria