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28th August 2025

Dear Parents,

We hope that you and your family have had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We would like to welcome all new students and parents to Newton British Academy, Barwa City, equally we are excited to invite back all of our existing students and their families on Sunday 31st August. The school will welcome students to the main building to start at 7am and to EYFS to begin at 7.10am. Further details will be sent from Heads of School in relation to welcoming our students back onto the school premises. All students will be allocated gates and parents will only be permitted to enter the reception area at Gate 1. Parents are not permitted to roam around the school or visit the classrooms.

In order to help with the efficient running of the school it is important that we bring to your attention certain matters that must be adhered to.

Important Notices:

Parental Code of Conduct and Parental Appointments:

The school has a Parental Code of Conduct (attached for your attention) and expects all parents to act in a calm and reasonable manner when dealing with any member of staff, the school will not tolerate rudeness or confrontational behaviours as this creates a poor working environment and sets a negative example for students to follow.

All appointments must be made in advance (24-48 hours), stating the reason for the meeting. Appointments can be made by using 'Class Dojo' for EYFS and Primary. Secondary appointments must be made by either a phone call to reception (Tel: 4006 1501) or by email. info@nbabarwa.com or plofficer@nbabarwa.com.

Qatar and Islamic Culture:

At NBA, we uphold and fully embrace Qatari/ Islamic culture and values and fully comply with all Ministry of Education directives whilst delivering the English National Curriculum as outlined by the Department of Education in the United Kingdom.

We would encourage any parent to contact the school directly if they have any concern about any information/ resource/ material used by the school whilst delivering the curriculum. Whilst we are culturally minded, we must of course ensure that the students are prepared for and have the subject knowledge and skills set to complete their external examinations at KS4 and KS5.

Uniform:

All students are expected to wear the full Newton uniform for the relevant section of the school with pride and comply with the recent Ministry of Education guidance for appropriate cultural dress. Any students not wearing the uniform will be addressed as necessary. Please note as per the MOE all students can wear short or long sleeve shirts from FS1 to Y13. Also, it should be noted that girls from Y4 should wear tights under their skorts or purchase the Newton trousers which are available at the Newton Uniform shop.

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The uniform can be bought at NBA between 9am and 5pm daily and online for collection on the following link - https://uniform.newtonschools.ga.

Shoes:

All pupils must wear plain black school shoes or the correct Newton Shoes (on sale at the school) that do not have a logo or other colour, multi-coloured shoes or soles are not permitted.

Healthy Food:

The school encourages all students to eat healthily. Fast Food/junk food and unhealthy snacks and food are not permitted. Please ensure that your children have a healthy packed lunch available each day. Water dispensers are provided around the school for students to refill their bottles. The canteen will be available for students from Year 5 and upwards as per the schedule.

Hairstyle:

Boy's hair must be cut to a sensible length. No crew cuts, tram lines or designs cut into hair is acceptable. Hair colouring for all pupils must be a natural colour.

Personal Items:

The school cannot be held accountable for personal possessions (electronic devices, watches etc). Items of value should not be brought onto the school site or on school trips when they commence in the future. If such items are lost then the school cannot be held responsible or liable for pupils' personal possessions.

Jewellery:

Only watches are permitted and for girls one set of stud earrings per ear (the piercing should only be through the ear lobe). No other forms of jewellery are permitted on school site or school trips.

Electronic Devices:

Secondary students must hand over their phones to the form tutor. If the student arrives late to school phones should be kept in a box on the reception. At the end of the day students can collect their phones from their form tutor. Primary Students (Year 5& 6) should hand their phones to the class teacher. All electrical devices and Airpods must not be on display. If such items are seen by staff they will have to be confiscated. Pupils who repeatedly break this school rule will not have such items returned until parents attend the school and meet with a member of the pastoral team.

Punctuality and Attendance:

Please ensure that your child arrives at school everyday promptly on time. It is essential that all pupils aspire to have 100% attendance as their academic progress will be negatively affected if they do not attend school. Pupils at KS4 and KS5 with poor attendance may not be allowed to take their GCSE/ IGCSE or A- Level Examinations. This is in accordance with exam board criteria.

KS4 and KS5 Student Engagement:

It is vital that students in KS4 and KS5 are fully engaged in every lesson every day. Students must make the most of every learning opportunity that they are given if they are to gain reasonable grades. Students must not be passive

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or complacent in their learning, they must strive to academically succeed every day. In order to avoid disappointment with the external examinations it is vital that all students listen carefully to the advice that they are given by their subject teachers and revise thoroughly.

Reading:

Please ensure that your child/children read at home every evening. This will help them with their short- and long-term success in studying the English National Curriculum. The school has a very well-resourced library and we encourage all students to take advantage of this by using the books that are available, to help them develop their reading ability, increase knowledge of their subjects and to extend their intellectual capacity.

We are sure that you will understand the importance of maintaining the high standards expected at Newton British Academy, Barwa, and we appreciate your support and cooperation in these matters. We look forward to a successful year ahead for our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. L.A. McLoughlin Principal

Ms. Tatum Julies
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