

FOS NEWS



Finland Oman School Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

We are delighted to have started our new academic year, and are extremely proud of how quickly our students were able to adjust and settle in.

This new academic year has seen the first Gr 7, 8, & 9 students of Finland Oman School and we are honoured to now have a secondary school section. This is truly exciting and special for us as we are witnessing the expansion of our school. Our Grade 7, 8, & 9 students have set a fantastic example for our younger students, and are great role models.

We would like to thank you all for your outstanding cooperation and support. We highly value the fantastic partnership we have with you, and are so proud of how well we have worked together as #LearningHappensEverywhere.

Parent-Teacher Meetings

We look forward to having our first parent & teacher meetings for this academic year. This will provide you with the opportunity to meet your child's teachers and be given some general information. • KG1, KG2, G1 & G2- Monday September 16th- 4:40pm-5:40pm

• G3, G4, G5 & G6- Tuesday September 17th- 4:40pm-5:40pm

• G7, G8 & G9- Tuesday September 24th- 4:40pm-5:40pm

Until the parent teacher meetings take please kindly take note of the following information.

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Incomplete documents

We would like to kindly remind you to submit all required documents of your child to our school, so we can ensure that each and every student has a complete and up-to-date file.

School Arrival and Dismissal Timings

It is important for students to be punctual on a daily basis, and attend school ready to learn with all their required materials. Kindly note that our morning assembly starts at 7:35am therefore it is required that students report to school at 7:30am. All students finish school at 2:30pm.

School Uniform

We emphasise upon the importance of students wearing the school uniform, as it stands for equality, and we want our students to proudly represent Finland Oman School. Kindly note that students are required to wear black or white shoes only. Furthermore, in regards to jackets, students are only permitted to wear the FOS jackets.



Absenteeism

It is crucial for students to attend school every day, however we do understand that certain situations may arise. If a student is to be absent from school due to being unwell, the parent/guardian of the student is required to inform the school via **whatsapp message on 94777197**. Once the student is able to report back to school they are required to hand in a sick leave certificate to their homeroom tutor.

In case a student is going to be absent due to any other reason other than being unwell, the parent/guardian is required to seek pre-permission from the school management, and provide a written explanation.



A Tool for Communication

iCare

Our iCare system serves as a tool for direct communication between us, and enables you to keep up-to-date with your child's progress. It enables you to directly communicate with teachers, and management. Other features of iCare includes, keeping track of registration, bus tracking, news and events, and school breakfast and lunch menu.

By September 15th you will receive the username and password for your iCare account.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every single one of you again for your immense understanding, cooperation, and support. We have found an incredible support system within each other and we are a close community. If you wish to provide us with any feedback, or have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact us.



School Breakfast and Lunch

We are overjoyed that we have received great feedback from our students in regards to the meals provided here at FOS. Our students have expressed that they are thoroughly enjoying the food and have found it delicious. As a school, we aim to ensure that our students are provided with healthy balanced diets. We encourage our students to follow the canteen rules, take turns, and we ensure that they practise their table manners.

Kindly take note of the following breakfast and lunch timings:

- 8:00am — 8:30am: KG breakfast
- 8:35am — 9:00am: Gr1, 2, 3 & 4 breakfast
- 9:25am — 9:50am: Gr5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 breakfast
- Starting at 11:00am: KG1 & KG2 lunch starts (subject to change based on KG students routine adaptability)
- 12:20pm — 1:00pm: Gr1, 2, 3 & 4 lunch
- 1:10pm — 1:50pm: Gr5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 lunch

Transportation

We were fortunate enough to start the year smoothly and positively. Although some challenges did arise in regards to transportation, due to a change in routes and your valuable feedback, we are pleased to inform you that all has been sorted and our transportation service is running effectively.

Assigned areas for drop-off and pick-up (please see the diagram in the next page)

Area A: Front entrance — this is our main entrance for the school and all students arriving by private transport will use this entrance.

Area B: KG1, KG2, Gr1, & Gr2 students are required to be picked up by parents/guardians from their classrooms and exit the school grounds from this area. The School Grounds Exit Registration for students will be done in their classrooms before leaving.

Area C: Parents waiting area — Students using private transport will be dismissed from this area at 2:30pm. Before students exit the school grounds, they are required to complete the School Grounds Exit Registration using their ID cards. A member of staff will be there to assist.

Area D: Students using private transportation are required to wait in this area to be picked up by parents/guardians and exit the school grounds via the main entrance doors.

Area E: The waiting area for students using the buses. Students arriving to school using the buses will enter the school via the doors located in this area. During dismissal time students will wait in this area and get on the buses. Students using the buses will complete The School Grounds Arrival & Exit Registration using their ID cards during arrival time and dismissal time.

Area F: Back entrance to the school

Area G: Bus zone

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Diagram for the assigned drop-off and pick-up areas



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