

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Airaa Academy!

We have commenced classes for the academic year 2021 - 22 and just like last year we are excited to embrace the digital world. This letter addresses important calendar dates along with insights and learnings from your responses and feedback for our virtual classes for the learners.

During these times where there is uncertainty with regard to the decision of the continuation of virtual classrooms for grades 1-9, Airaa stands by its commitment to keep our learners' holistic well-being in mind. We are prepared to do all that is needed to ensure that our learners have a productive, educational and engaging year ahead.

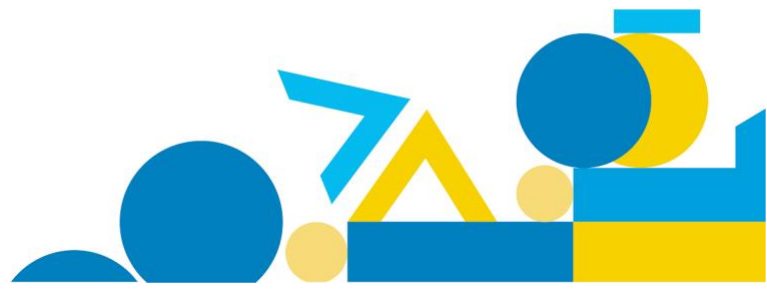
We are confident in our ability to continue to create a modified learning eco-system that nurtures our learners every day. While the world is brimming with uncertainty and speculation, our team has been actively preparing to minimize the ambiguity, advance our practices and enhance our safety protocols.

Emphasis on learners' mental, emotional, physical and social wellbeing is of a higher priority because of the impact that social isolation has had on them during the lockdown.

We will prioritize health, hygiene, safety and wellness practices, and protocols, when Airaa Academy reopens in a physical setting.

This is our calendar for the AY 2021 - 22.

If we are able to, we intend to adopt a blended model of facilitating learning both physically as well as digitally, so that learners benefit from the personalized attention from their facilitators as well as have the convenience of engaging in group discussions.



Please find key dates for half yearly academic year 2021-22

| Event | Dates |
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| Gandhi Jayanthi (Holiday) | 2 nd October |
| Dussera (celebration)* | 5 th October |
| Mahalaya Amavasya - Dussera Vacation starts | 6 th October |
| Mahanavmi/Ayudha Puja (Holiday) | 14 th October |
| Vijayadashami (Holiday) | 15 th October |
| Eid Milad (Holiday) | 19 th October |
| Valmiki Jayanthi | 20 th October |
| School Re – opens (Grades 1- 9)** | 20 th October |
| Kannada Rajyothsava (celebration & holiday) | 1 st November |
| Diwali (celebration & holiday) | 3 rd – 5 th November (Celebration – 2 nd November) |
| Kanakadasa Jayanthi (Holiday) | 22 nd November |
| Christmas (celebration & holiday) | 24 th Dec – 2 nd Jan (Celebration – 23 rd December) |
| School Re – opens (Grades 1- 9)** | 3 rd January |
| Makara Shankranthi (celebration & holiday) | 14 th January (Celebration – 13 th Jan) |
| Republic Day (celebration & holiday) | 26 th January |
| Maha Shivaratri (Holiday) | 1 st March |
| Summer Break | 25 th March |
| Report Card Upload | 31 st March |
| School Re-Opening (Grade 1 & New Admission)** | 30 th May |
| School Re-Opening (Grade 2 – 8)** | 1 st June |

* No holiday. Celebration will be held in class.

** Any change in date will be notified further.



Please also note that we will only choose to resume learning virtually (for Grades 1-9) and in-person and on-campus (for all grades) once we receive further clarity based on the directives from the Government.

We will plan our next steps for the coming months based on **Government directives** and further developments on **COVID**. The decision to **reopen our school in-person** will be taken with the utmost care for the safety, health, hygiene and well-being of our community, and will be **planned in consultation with you and our team**. We however are geared to handle this session in both ways:

1. **Virtual Classes:** Learners wellness, approach to learning (*synchronous and asynchronous*), class schedules or time-table, class duration, chosen platforms , interaction and learning norms, CCA, etc.
2. **In-person Classes:** Enhanced safety, hygiene, health and social distancing measures, class size, staggered break times, pickup and drop-off points, amended schedule, etc.

As we await further guidelines from the Government, our team will continue to share important updates to keep you informed about our planning efforts.

Please keep yourselves and your children safe.

Regards,
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Chairperson
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