

## Wednesday 20th August 2025

Dear Pre-KG and KG1 Parents,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you and your children back to school. The purpose of this letter is to share with you some further information regarding our forthcoming return to school. For those of you familiar with NLCS Dubai policies and procedures, please do familiarise yourself with the information below as there may be some alterations.

# **Pre-KG and KG1 Starting Date and Timings**

On Tuesday 26th August, we welcome our Pre-KG and KG1 students for their first day of the academic year. Please refer to the class allocation letters that you received in June for details of your staggered start timings as these are class specific.

KG1 will commence full days from Wednesday 27th August and Pre-KG will be in full time from Monday 8th September.

### **Drop off and pick up locations**

To enable the best flow of traffic around the school, each grade is allocated a designated drop off and collection area. Please ensure you are familiar with the school map and time windows to ensure a smooth pick up and collection experience - note that there are some minor changes in drop off and pick up locations compared to last school year.

Within the first week of school, your child will come home with a car pass that allows you to enter the grade level gate within the allocated time window. Please ensure that this is displayed at all times.

Take note of the collection procedure, which has altered from last school year:

- The adult collecting is required to scan the QR code (this will be displayed as you enter the school grounds, emailed to you, and also on your car pass once)
- Select your child's grade, class and name this will then send the information to the staff located in school
- The staff will then have your child brought to your designated door for collection

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#### **Lunch and snack**

All students need to bring a healthy snack from home each day. Please remember that we are a pork, nut, and sesame free school. If your child is having a school lunch provided by Master Cook, this will be delivered to them in the Early Years Dining Area. You also have the option to bring a packed lunch.

The students are given ample time to eat their food and gentle encouragement will of course be offered, but please be mindful that the students do need to be able to finish their food within a dedicated period when planning for their portion sizes.

### **Spare uniform**

For children in Pre-KG and KG, accidents can and do happen, whether it be of the toileting kind or from an activity in class. Such accidents will be dealt with discreetly and sensitively, ensuring that the child is swiftly changed and able to continue going about their school day as normal. To assist us with this, we ask that you provide on the first day either a spare uniform or set of clothes which includes the following: 2 pairs of underwear, 1 pair of socks, 1 pair of shorts, pants, or leggings and 1 T-shirt. This is to be given to the class teacher or teaching assistant in a sealed, clear, wipeable bag. This will need to be stored in their lockers, so we appreciate any efforts to pack the items tightly. In the case of an accident your child will be sent home with their clothes in a sealed zip locked bag with an accompanying note. This note will detail what must be sent back to school the following day.

# PE

During the first week of school, your child's class teacher will share with you the days that your child has PE. On their PE days, please send your child to school in the NLCS PE kit for the day.

Students will participate in swimming lessons. These lessons are part of our PE curriculum where they learn to swim and refine their swimming skills. If your child is well enough to attend school, then we expect them to participate in swimming lessons. Please ensure that the swimming kit and towels are named and that they are brought to school in a waterproof bag. In Pre-KG and KG1, children can wear their swim wear underneath their PE kit on the designated day; please ensure that underwear is also sent to school in their bag with their towel for changing into afterwards.

In the interests of safety, we request that students do not wear jewellery or watches during Games, P.E. or swimming lessons.

# **Portal**

Please refer back to the Early Years onboarding portal, <u>earlyyears.nlcsdubai.ae</u>, where wider key information and transition materials have been shared to support you and your child during this transitionary period.

The year ahead will be full of new and exciting opportunities for the students, and I look forward to being a part of their learning journey.

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