



مدرسة البكالوريا - عمان
Amman Bacculaureate School

Confirmed ABS School Day 2018-2019 onwards



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Rationale

To improve student wellbeing and learning.



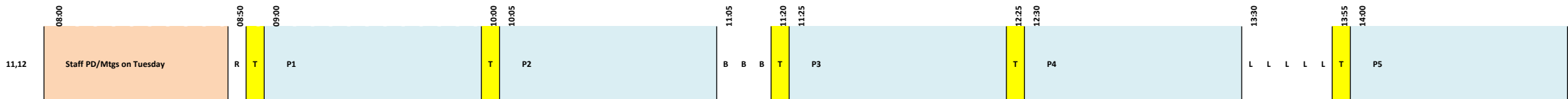
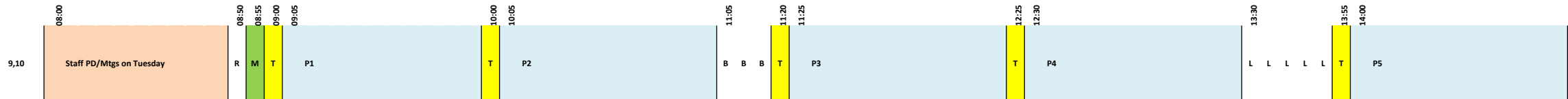
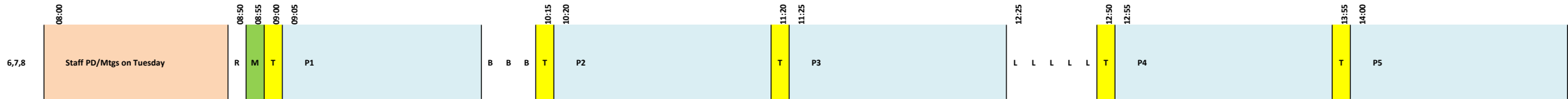
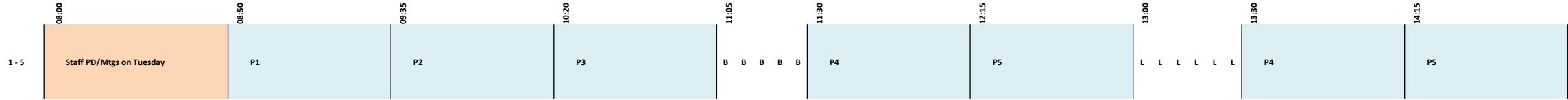
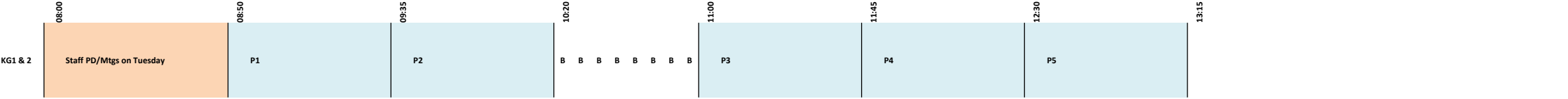
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Structure of the Day

1. All school days will be the same, promoting consistency and best practice;
2. Students in KG1 - Grade 12 will begin their formal school day at 8:50 am;
3. All students KG1 - Grade 12 can arrive at school from 7:50 am, providing a “staggered” start to the day, with appropriate supervision, breakfast provided, and individual and group support classes as appropriate and necessary;
4. KG students will depart at 1:15 pm; Grades 1-12 at 3:00 pm; however, the pick up areas will be zoned according to grade level and new areas utilised;
5. All staff will continue to be in school at 8:00 am to ensure all is ready for the start of the school day; extra duty staff will be deployed in the morning as appropriate.

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Everyday (Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed Thu)



Notes: 1 Tuesday 8:00am - 8:45am reserved for Staff PD/Meetings

2 Sunday 3:00pm - 4:00pm reserved for Staff PD/Meetings

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	Current	Revised	Variance
KG	1015m/wk	1125m/wk	+110m/wk
1-5	1575m/wk	1575m/wk	0
6-8	1420m/wk	1500m/wk	+80m/wk
9, 10	1440m/wk	1500m/wk	+60m/wk
11, 12	1500m/wk	1500m/wk	0



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- a) All school divisions will start lessons at 9:00 am (arrival and registration from 8:50 am), providing greater convenience for most students and parents;
- b) Enhanced wellbeing for Grades 1 – 5 by starting school later; indeed, some educational research shows benefits of a later start for Primary as well as Secondary age students;

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- c) Kindergarten finishes earlier at 1:15 pm, allowing buses back earlier, but still giving increased teaching time;
- d) Grades 1 - 5 finish at 3:00 pm allowing the exact same amount of teaching time as with the current day;
- e) Tuesday will be the same as all other days, giving more teaching time to MYS (60/80 minutes);
- f) School activities (clubs and teams) will take place between 3:15 pm and 4:15 pm each day. Appropriate supervision arrangements will be implemented for the transfer of Primary School students to the appropriate activity.

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Supervision for Primary Students

- a) The official school day starts at 8:50 am; however, parents may drop off their children any time between 7:50 am and 8:45 am;
- b) Morning supervision will be provided for all students in KG 1 – 2 (paid as now) and for Grades 1 – 5 (free of charge); Afternoon supervision will also be provided for KG students free of charge;
- c) Supervision will be provided in the Primary School Media Centres, where students can either use the time for quiet reading or study;
- d) Supervision will also be provided in the Primary School Cafeteria, where students can enjoy a free healthy breakfast and/or engage with other students in activities, such as educational board games;
- e) Stallions Academy Sports will also be offered on a fee-paying basis between 8:00 - 8:45 am;
- f) Students may, of course, come to school for 8:50 am for the official start of school.**

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Bus Transportation

- a) The current arrangements for either 8:00 am bus or 9:00 am bus depending on the educational needs of Grades 6 – 12 will be maintained i.e. to accommodate arrival for support lessons etc.;
- b) KG - Grade 5 students may also use either the 8:00 am or 9:00 am bus, however, parents will be asked to choose either the 8:00 am or 9:00 am bus for a whole term. This is based upon health and safety reasons for this age group;
- c) KG bus students will depart on their own dedicated buses every day at 1:15 pm, meaning that their journey time should be significantly less than with the current arrangements; there will be no KG activities after school as these will be scheduled for the morning 8:00 – 8:45 am;
- d) Primary School, Middle Years School and IB College students will leave on the 3:15 pm bus (when not doing activities). All the buses will be back from the KG run and waiting for students to board, so the bus departure from school should be much faster than currently;
- e) Students doing activities will be taken home either via a 4:15 pm bus (for example, Sports practices) or a 5:15 pm bus for extended activities (such as MUN, Theatre practices etc.).

Pick Up Zones 2018-2019



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- Better rested and more learning focused students;
- Better rested and happier students, with less disruptive tendencies;
- Better and more convenient timing for most students and parents, with flexibility of drop-off times;
- Better supervision arrangements, with additional support, as appropriate;
- Better organised and managed pick-up and bus transport arrangements.