



SHERBORNE QATAR
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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Dear Parents,

I am delighted that you have chosen Sherborne Qatar School for Girls for your daughter's education and I welcome you to this brand new and exciting STEM School. Although the projected opening time for the Al Ebb Campus has been a little delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I would like to inform you that I am now in post as Headmistress and we are hoping to open our new school as soon as we are able. Initially, we will be starting our new academic year (2020-2021) within the existing Sherborne Preparatory School (mixed gender) at Al Rayyan, but we will have a separate itinerary and timetable for the girls. More information regarding this will be sent to you shortly.

Despite the restrictions currently imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic the progress made at the new school site has been phenomenal. The school's new website: www.sherborneqatarsfg.org has been created and is gradually being updated. Amongst the information you will find here is the school's prospectus, an idea of the school's background and vision, and an account of the ethos that we are looking to create at the Al Ebb Campus.

I feel we are at the start of something very special, a unique girls' school built upon the foundations of our highly successful and prestigious Sherborne sister schools. These schools with their rich cultural heritage, strong reputation for outstanding academic success and positive approach to lifelong learning, have been the 'schools of choice' for families wanting the very best private education in Qatar and the UK. Our school is the first Sherborne Girls' School outside of the UK and we will offer a quality 21st Century British Education to girls from age 3 to age 17.

With a focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, in our gender neutral environment, we will provide our girls with the opportunity to flourish and thrive without any hothouse pressures. We will provide a non-self-conscious environment that allows girls to reach their true potential without distraction. We will offer your children a friendly and caring environment where individual talents, strengths and interests are identified, nurtured and enhanced; a programme of rigorous academic study with an extensive range of co-curricular activities in a disciplined environment. Our policy of speaking English all the time together with the delivery of Arabic, Islamic Studies and Qatari History will help your girls



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to become truly bilingual and effective communicators whilst maintaining a strong appreciation of their cultural heritage and Arabic roots.

Our values of Respect, Honesty, Kindness, Perseverance, Teamwork and Responsibility will be embedded into the culture of the school and into everything we do. Through quality pastoral support and the nurturing of a positive three way, parent, pupil and teacher relationship we will together help to create inquisitive, aspirational, curious and kind young ladies, courteous and generous with a balanced mix of self-belief and humility.

During the COVID-19 pandemic pupils at the Sherborne Qatar Schools have continued with their learning. The school buildings are closed but the schools are not. Teachers continue to deliver their lessons remotely, prepare quality learning materials daily, and support pupils pastorally through these unprecedented times.

I am very much looking forward to personally welcoming you and your girls to the school as soon as we are able to meet in the new academic year; I am also available for you now on the following email address: jgoldsack@sherborneqatar.org should you need my personal assistance and advice.

With best wishes for you and your families.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Jane Goldsack
Headmistress