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### Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

As you know, the top priority of Our Own English High School, Sharjah is to keep our students and staff safe at all times. Throughout the pandemic, we have introduced health and safety measures and protocols to achieve that while continuing our in-school learning safely. Part of that is a campaign to vaccinate our teachers and support staff and that has been a huge success with well over 84% having now been protected.

We have also made all the necessary preparations and added extra precautions to welcome our students back to school for the start of the new academic year next month. Every member of our school team shares my excitement at the prospect of seeing more and more of our families returning for in school tuition, and our message is loud and clear: Our Own English High School, Sharjah is ready to welcome your child back in class.

With the return to school, it is only natural that many of you will have questions around school transportation. As you are aware, BBT is our trusted and long-time provider and operator of school buses. BBT has implemented safety measures designed to keep children safe during their journeys to and from school. Please visit <https://schooltransportservices.com/home-sts/sts-welcomes-students-back-to-the-school-bus/> to view the comprehensive measures in place.

In normal times, all children would be offered seats on our buses, but because of the pandemic we have been forced to cut back on some of our usual services and so I would strongly recommend that you book your child's place as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Please contact Ms. Shariqua on [shariqua@bbt.ae](mailto:shariqua@bbt.ae) as soon as possible.

Finally, let me offer a warm and heartfelt thank-you to you all. I speak for all teachers and staff at our school when I say that the support, understanding, patience and commitment of our parents and families has been truly exceptional. We do not take it for granted.

I very much look forward to seeing our students back in school in a few weeks.

Warmest regards,

**ASMA GILANI**  
Principal / CEO