

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2020

Asalamualikum warahmatulahi wabarakatuhu,

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you and your families are keeping well and that the easing of lockdown has provided you with more opportunities to get out and about.

Considering the recent government guidance and changes, we are delighted to announce that the school will be reopening on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2020 for all year groups (Nursery to Yr 6)

The school has conducted a thorough risk assessment to make sure staff and children's wellbeing will be met whilst in the school premises. We have decided to offer sessional schooling (am and pm) for the rest of the term to meet government guidelines.

### **Opening schools to all pupils from 1<sup>st</sup> of July: Guidance for parents and carers:**

To help us have the best possible restart, we will be making the following considerations when planning for the wider opening of the school.

We will:

- Base any decisions on the safety and best interests of our pupils and staff.
- Be guided by the layout, limitations and spaces available within our school.
- Be aware of, and do our best to adapt to, the challenges each family face.
- Prioritise the wellbeing and emotional development of all pupils whilst also providing English Maths and Islamic sciences lessons daily.
- Prioritise transition arrangements (where possible) that are in place for each year group.

The following arrangement has been planned by the school:

- Sessions offered: AM: 8:00-12:55pm, PM: 1.00-4:30pm
- Each class will be rearranged to have half the class attend am and the other half to attend pm for safety purpose in line with the schools infection policy.
- Outdoor play, salah and lunch discontinued till September, this will mean if your child attends am they will go home, eat and pray, if children attends am they will need to eat their lunch prior to attending school and pray when they go home.
- Am and pm groups will be organised by the school. Families with siblings will be put together in the same session to avoid further disruptions.
- Sanitising stations have been put in place on each floor and entry points of the school.
- Catch it bin it kill it and washing of hands will be reinforced on timely intervals during school day.

The teachers will be in contact with you to inform you of the session your child will be attending. This does not affect your right to withhold your child/ren if you do not want them to attend school in July. However, please note that Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September is the first day back into full time schooling for all children.

Our staff have worked exceptionally hard over the last few months and one thing that has helped enormously is the support you have shown them and all the lovely messages and emails they have received from you. Thank you very much for this, it has made a huge difference and is really appreciated. May Allah reward you all.

As we move into the next phase please continue to be patient with us and remember us in your duas. We are all in uncharted territory, but I hope you know we will always do our very best for the children in our care.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Zara Rahman

Headteacher