



Term 1A Newsletter

Assalamu Alaikum,

We hope you are well and in the best of health and Imaan!

We are excited about all our children returning to school in September and in order for this to happen plans have been made to meet the guidance and to continue to reduce the risk to families within our community. There is an improving national position and evidence continues to grow around the less significant role of children in spreading and carrying the virus.

Sensible and proportionate measures have been put in place:

- Good respiratory hygiene
- Rigorous hand cleaning regime
- Enhanced cleaning
- Safe distances

Headlines

- Following risk assessments a range of **Control measures** are in place to **minimise the risk of contracting Covid 19. We cannot eliminate the risk.**
- Year groups have been allocated a zone of the school including toilets for their exclusive use
- Pupils will be trained regarding expectations within classes and socialisation during play. We will not be able to guarantee 2 metre social distancing at all times but will ensure that appropriate measures, safe distances and hygiene routines are in place
- Classrooms surfaces and equipment will be cleaned between sessions
- Parents will be expected to respect social distancing when arriving at school
- School equipment will be cleaned overnight using recommended sterilising agents
- Children are required to bring school book bags on Monday, Wednesday and Friday ONLY
- Tables will be spaced out in the hall and pupils will sit in their classes.
- Children with packed lunch on one side and hot lunches on the other end of the table
- Wipe down plastic musallah's to be used for Salah

Entrance to school

Class	Entrance Door	Exit at hometime
Year 1/2	Main entrance	Hall
Year 3/4	Class door up the stairs	Hall
Year 5/6	Main entrance	Hall

A welcome from the Head teacher

Welcome back to all our families. I hope you all have had a safe and happy summer break. What a bitter sweet year it has been for Fig Tree we began the year with having our Ofsted Inspection and got the outcome we had hoped for of a good rating, Alhamdulillah. Then we went into lockdown due to Covid 19 and every day we looked forward to hearing the news of the lockdown finally ending so we could get some normality back. Alhamdulillah we will be reopening school in September for our new academic year. I would like to thank all the parents for their support and the staff for continuing to work on our Classdojo and keeping up the communication with our families. Well done to all the pupils who took part in the Lockdown projects, your creativity demonstrated the effort you put into completing your activities.

I am looking forward to working with all our families to further develop Fig Tree Primary through this academic year Inshallah. The staff are full of great ideas to make our school even better as we move into a new academic year. I look forward to sharing these with you during the course of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a special 'Assalamu Alaikum and welcome' to the new families starting this term.

Staffing Structure 2020-2021

Please see staffing structure for 2020-21 below:

Mrs N Hussain	Head Teacher
Hafiz Muntazir	Head of Islamic Studies
Mrs Hussain, Miss Zahra	Year 1&2
Mrs Yousaf, Ms S. Hussaini	Year 3&4
Ms S. Hussaini, Ms Qayum	Year 5&6
Miss Zahra	Teaching Assistant
Mrs Latif	Teaching Assistant
Mr Latif	PE Teacher
Mrs Latif	Kitchen staff
Mrs Akhtar	Office Manager (AM)
Mrs Khan	Office Manager (PM)

School Timing

Please note that the school starts at **8.30am** and finishes at **3.00pm**. Any child who arrives after 8.30am must report to the school office to sign in late. **Persistent lateness affects learning.**

PE

Children are expected to come to school in their PE kits on the day that they are timetabled to have a PE lesson. (Please refer to the table below)

Please ensure your child also wears their green logo jumper on this day.

Year Groups	PE Lesson Day
Year 1 and 2	Monday
Year 3 and 4	Tuesday
Year 5 and 6	Wednesday

Theme of the week Term 1A

The aim of the weekly themes is to promote development of knowledge and skills which provide an experiential dimension for spiritual and moral areas of the curriculum.

Week	Theme
Week 1 02.09.2020	Theme 1 Sincerity in Intentions and Works
Week 2 07.09.2020	Theme 8 - Always Tell the Truth
Week 3 14.09.2020	Theme 6 Patience is to be Really 'Cool'
Week 4 21.09.2020	Theme 20 Allah Loves the Peacemakers
Week 5 28.09.2020	Theme 2 Respecting each other
Week 6 05.10.2020	Theme 31 Following Sunnah- Our Role Model
Week 7 12.10.2020	Theme 25 Sending Blessings on the Messenger (Seerah week 12.10.2020)

Homework

The children will be given homework weekly on a Friday. The homework must be completed by the following week. Homework will be uploaded on Class Dojo.

Contact Details, Fees Agreements and Medical Forms

It is extremely important that the school has up to date information regarding address, contact details and medical needs for your child(s) in case of an emergency. If there are any changes of contact or medical details please fill the relevant forms (available from school office).

If there is any change in siblings studying in school, kindly fill in a new fee agreement form and hand in to school office

Reading

All children are encouraged to read daily. Reading books will be changed weekly, by the class teacher. Please record your child's daily reading in their reading diary.

School logos

School logos will be on sale from **Wednesday 2nd September 2020** at a cost of **£5 per logo**. Please request a logo by making a payment using the drop box.

Spellings

Spellings will be given out every Friday, and the children will be tested the following week. The children will have 10 spellings that will follow a pattern or rule.

School Dinner/Milk Payment

We kindly request parents to pay for their child's dinner money in advance **every Monday** morning.

To limit contact all payments must be made using the drop box. No cash payments will be handled in the school office.

Please pay **£6 every half term** for your child, if they choose to drink milk.

Attendance

Please avoid taking your children on holiday during term time as learning is disrupted. Holiday leave is only granted in exceptional circumstances. Should the request be refused and the holiday still taken, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. Please note that this stays on the child's personal record and persistent unauthorised absence can result in a visit from the Education welfare Officer (EWO). A high level of unauthorised absence, more than 10 days in one school year can also lead to a fine.

Uniform reminder

Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform.

- ✓ This includes a jumper or cardigan with the school logo. (Logos available to be purchased immediately from the school office)

Other coloured jumpers are not acceptable.

- ✓ Children are only permitted to wear plain black shoes. No coloured soles will be allowed
- ✓ Only Black Hijabs and black topis must be worn. Please ensure these are clean and smart. No embellishments must be on the Hijabs or topis.
- ✓ All uniform must be labeled in order to return it if misplaced

Parking etiquettes...

We urge you to continue to consider safe and courteous parking at drop off and pick up times.

It is everyone's' duty to ensure children's safety at all times.

After School Club

This half term, we are offering the following after school Clubs.

After School Club	Day and Timing
Football Club	Monday 3pm-4pm
Cricket Club	Tuesday 3pm-4pm
Club to be confirmed	Wednesday 3pm-3:30pm
Club to be confirmed	Thursday 3pm-3:30pm
Club to be confirmed	Friday 3pm-3:30pm

Without parental consent your child will not be able to take part.

Please note: All after school clubs commence from week 2 of every half term.

Safeguarding and child protection

Children's safety and welfare is paramount to all staff at Fig Tree Primary School. It is everyone's duty to pass on information that helps to safeguard the well-being of the children in our care.

Mrs Hussain is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and Mrs Kulsoom is our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead for safeguarding and child protection.

Any disclosure by a pupil must, by law, be reported immediately to the DSL; any concerns must be similarly dealt with.

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us, we always take action to protect a child and inform the relevant agencies where necessary.

Home school communication

We believe that a good relationship with parents and families and their co-operation and support can make a real difference to how children see themselves as learners and engage in learning. Regular communication about the child's individual development and achievements are a key component of a successful partnership work, and an area in which we believe in.

Class DoJo and Email are our key methods of communication. Please check these daily.

PTA (Parent Teacher Association)

The PTA has a pivotal role in the school community in that they volunteer their time or assist the school with fundraising through out the year. Jazakallah to all our PTA members. If you would like to be considered to being a part of the PTA, speak to the school office.

Dates for your diary

Inset day	Tue 1 st Sept 2020
First day of Term 1A	Wed 2 nd Sept 2020
Welcome back Assembly	Wed 2 nd 2020
Getting to know you week	Wed 2 nd -Fri 4 th 2020
Parents Virtual meeting (Safeguarding Workshop) 1	TBC
World First Aid Day	Thurs 10 th Sept 2020
National Coding Week	Mon 14 th -18 th Sept 2020
Roald Dahl Day	Mon 14 th Sept 2020
National Fitness Day	Wed 23 rd Sept 2020
Yom Kippur	Sun 27 th Sept 2020
Healthy eating week	Mon 28 th Sept 2020
Chocolate Week	Thurs 5 th -9 th Oct 2020
National Poetry Day	Thurs 1 st Oct 2020
World Smile Day	Fri 2 nd Oct 2020
World Space Week	Mon 5 th -10 th Oct 2020
Walk to school week 2020	Tue 6 th -10 Oct 2020
World Mental Health Day	Sat 10 th Oct 2020
Seerah Week Mawlid Al Nabi	Mon 12 th -16 th Oct 2020
Cake Sale	Fri 16 th Oct 2020
End of term 1A	Fri 16 th Oct 2020
Black History Month	Tues 20 th Oct 2020
Start of term 1B	Mon 2 nd Nov 2020

If you have any further questions, please contact the school office.

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Primary Team