



Quality Education in a Secure Environment

Friday 18th December 2020

Asalaam Alaikum

We hope you are well and in the best of health and Imaan. As we finish the term, we would like to thank you all for your support during this very challenging time. You should all be proud of your children as they have made a huge effort this term amid the ongoing stress of the public health crisis and still coming in each day and accessing their education, which has been fantastic to see!



Bronze Assembly

This year bronze assembly was a little different to usual. Due to the current pandemic and government guidelines, we were unable to invite parents in to school however, photos of children that received an award have been uploaded on individual portfolios on Class DoJo. Please congratulate your child at home on their achievements!



Parking

We have been monitoring parking at drop off and pick times. We have noted that many parents are parking extremely dangerously. **YOU MUST NOT PARK ON THE DOUBLE YELLOW LINES OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GATE.**

If parents continue to park inconsiderately then we will be left with no choice but to contact the local community protection team to help resolve the issue. This is for the safety of our children and school community.



Safeguarding

We believe safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. At Fig Tree Primary we are committed to keeping our children safe. Mrs Hussain is our DSL lead for safeguarding and child protection, Mrs Kulsoom is our deputy DSL. 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.

Lateness and absences

Too often, children are arriving late to school. Not only is this causing disruption to staff and other children's learning.

School starts at 8:30am; please ensure your child arrives to school on time each day.

If your child is absent from school, please inform the school office between 8:30am-9:00am.

Children MUST NOT be left unattended on the school grounds before 8:20am





Weather

The health, safety and welfare of our children and staff is our priority. We sincerely hope that we do not have to close school this winter; rest assured that if we have to it is not a decision that is taken lightly. It is always a last resort and sometimes unavoidable.

There are a number of ways that we will keep you informed about school closures:

- An announcement will be made on **Radio Dawn (107.6FM)**
- An email will be sent out to all parents
- In the event of conditions worsening throughout the day during severe weather we will primarily contact all parents by phone. Children will remain supervised at school until they are collected by their usual adult, unless we are informed otherwise.

Please take care when travelling to and from school in hazardous weather conditions.

Stay safe during the holidays

With the holidays approaching a few words of advice.....



Gaming devices provide a variety of interesting activities and ways for young people to engage with their friends and families. However, it is important to be aware of what these devices can do and how you can talk with your child to help them to use this technology in a safe and positive way.

All modern gaming devices offer parental controls to help you manage how your child uses their device, but these do need to be set up in order for them to be operational.

Please click on the NSPCC link below for further guidance.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-games-helping-children-play-safe/>

School lunch

Please find lunch menu for term 2A attached.

Please ensure you use the drop box in the reception area for all payments. This is a secure box and will be emptied each morning at 9:30am. **Please ensure you clearly write your child's name, class and amount of money on the envelope. Please also specify the days your child is having lunch. This allows us to plan our lunchtimes accordingly.**



Important Reminder: Please ensure you do not send any nuts or food containing nuts into school, as some children have severe nut allergies. This includes chocolate spreads.



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End of term Holidays

School will close for this half term on **Thursday 17th December 2020 and will re-open on Tuesday 4th January 2021**. We hope you have an enjoyable holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year In Sha Allah.

Wasalaam
Primary Team.