



Term 1A Newsletter September 2023

A welcome from the Head teacher

Assalamu'alaikum,

Welcome back to all our families. I hope you all have had a safe and happy summer break. 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 year and 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 2022-2023

It is with great pleasure to welcome Mr. Hussain, Miss Rafiq and Mrs. Akhtar to our Fig Tree Team. Please see staffing structure for 2023-24 below:

Mrs Hussain	Head Teacher Year 3/4 AM Class Teacher
Mr Hussain	Deputy headteacher Year 5/6 Class Teacher
Hafiz Muntazir	Head of Islamic Studies
Mrs R Akhtar	Office/Finance manager
Mrs Aleesha	Office AM
Miss Rafiq	Year 1/2 Class Teacher
Miss Rafah	Year 3/4 Class teacher PM
Ms Amel	Learning support assistant Quran and Islamic Studies
Mrs H Akhtar	Learning support assistant (AM) Year 1/2
Mr Khan	PE Teacher
Ms Freezam Ms Kanwal	Kitchen staff

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.**

Updated School fees

As you are aware there has been an increase to school fees effective from September 2023.

Please ensure you amend your standing orders accordingly.

Please see details below:

No of children	Annual	Per Term	Per Month
1	£2220	£740	£185
2	£3960	£1320	£330
3	£5340	£1780	£445
4	£6480	£2160	£540

Tuck Shop

Last year our tuck shop was popular amongst the children. This year, we will be continuing with tuck shop every Friday as a "Jumma treat" during the morning break. Children are allowed to bring a maximum of £2 to spend on **Fridays only**.

PE

Please ensure your child(s) bring their PE kit every week. See details below, PE days for your child(s) class.

Persistent incorrect PE Kit will result in Timeout!

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

Milk Money

Please pay **£6 every half term** for milk to the school office.

School Dinner Payment

We kindly request parents to pay for their child's dinner money in advance **every Monday** morning. Payments must be made using the drop box situated in the reception area or BACs payment into the school account.

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 trigger a visit from the local authorities via the Education welfare Officer (EWO). A high level of unauthorised absence, more than 10 days in one school year, will also initiate a fine.

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 is any change of contact or medical details, please fill the relevant forms (available from school office).

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

Goose Fair

29th September-8th October 2023

The school will remain open during the Goose Fair period, please ensure that you park your car carefully when dropping/collecting your children. The Council usually enforce a 'No Parking' zone on Bentinck Road and a fine of £40.

Healthy Eating

Fig Tree Primary is a healthy eating school. We aim to raise awareness of how to keep ourselves healthy. Packing healthy snacks for school not only keeps away hunger pangs but will also improve concentration and academic performance.

Here are ideas for healthy snacks for breaktime.

- Fruit- apple, banana, strawberries, berries, pineapple chunks
- Vegetables- carrot sticks, celery stick
- Dried fruit
- Cereal bars
- Cheese sticks
- Yoghurt
- Crackers
- Bread sticks
- Pretzels
- Baked crisps **ONLY**- wotsits, tortilla chips

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 Akhtar 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.

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 04.09.23	Theme 1 Sincerity in Intentions and Works
Week 2 11.09.2023	Theme 6 Patience is to be Really 'Cool'
Week 3 18.09.2023	Theme 20 Allah Loves the Peacemakers (International Peace Day)
Week 4 25.09.2023	Theme 31 Following the Sunnah
Week 5 02.10.2023	Theme 25 Sending blessings on the Messenger Seerah Week Theme 31 Following Sunnah-Our role model
Week 6 09.10.2023	Theme 8 Always tell the truth
Week 7 16.10.2023	Theme 2 Respecting each other

Uniform

We would be grateful if all parents could ensure that their child/ren are dressed in the correct uniform. **Boys:**

- Grey trousers
- White shirt
- Green jumper

- Black topi
- Black socks
- Black shoes (not trainers)

Girls:

- Grey trousers
- Grey pinafore dress (appropriate length)
- White shirt
- Green jumper / cardigans
- Black scarfs
- Black socks
- Black shoes (not trainers)

PE (Boys & Girls)

- White loose top (long sleeve KS 2 girls)
- Long black/grey Jogging bottoms (loose)
- Trainers / plimsolls

After School Club

Please find details below of the after-school clubs offered this half term. Please email the school office if you wish for your child to take part.

After School Club	Day and Timing
Football Club (Yr4-6 ONLY) Mr Khan	Monday 3pm-4pm
Multi sports (Yr4-6 ONLY) Mr Hussain	Tuesday 3pm-3:30pm
Nasheed Club Miss Rafah	Wednesday 3pm-3:30pm
Knitting Club Miss Rafiq	Thursday 3pm-3:30pm

All clubs will begin in week commencing Monday 11th September 2023.

Secondary school places September 2023

Year 6 parents

Yr 6 parents, please make sure you do not miss the deadline for applications to secondary schools. Deadline date is **31st October 2023**

Apply at: Nottingham City council

[Citizen Portal - Sign in \(nottinghamcity.gov.uk\)](https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

For Nottingham County council

[Applying for a school place | Nottinghamshire County Council](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

Roald Dahl Day-Wednesday 13th

September 2023

Children can come to school dressed up as their favourite Roald Dahl character. There will be fun activities around Roald Dahl stories for children to take part in.

Skip-a-thon-Monday 25th September 2023

We will have a whole school skip-a-thon. Children must come to school in their PE kits.

Dates for your diary

Welcome back Assembly	Wednesday 6 th September 2023
Getting to know you week	Wednesday 6 th September 2023- Friday 8 th September 2023
Roald Dahl day	Wednesday 13 th September 2023
Skip-a-thon	Monday 25 th September 2023
Milad Celebration	Thursday 28 th September 2023
Space week	4 th -10 th October 2023
World teachers' day	Thursday 5 th October 2023
World mental health day	Tuesday 10 th October 2023
World food day	Monday 16 th October 2023
End of Term 1A	Friday 20 th October 2023
Start of Term 1B	Monday 6 th November 2023

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Fig Tree Primary Team

