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27th August 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Assalam u alaikum السلام عليكم

Re: Full Reopening of the School

I make *dua* that you and your family members are safe and well. I am pleased to confirm that Iqra Primary school will be re-opening to all classes in the academic year 2020-201. We are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school on Tuesday 1st September 2020. This letter will outline how we plan to achieve it, following the government's latest guidelines related to the covid-19 pandemic. We are putting appropriate measures in place to support the safety of all pupils and staff. We have been preparing the site for the return to school and are still following all the latest guidance and measures given by the DFE. You will notice we have installed an additional new gate in between the main gate and the reception class, facing the astroturf to facilitate a swift dismissal of the pupils which will help avoid parents having to wait more than necessary.

I wrote to you back in July that we plan to purchase laptops which will be allowed to be kept at home as part of pupils' learning. We are still working on it and aim to distribute the laptops as soon as we finalise the purchase. Each family will be asked to pay a deposit of £50 per computer (£100 maximum if more than two computers) and fill in an agreement. In the event, the computer is damaged, parents will be asked to meet the cost of fixing it or replacing it. Please watch the space for further information.

Please read the guidance below carefully to familiarise yourself with the systems that have been put in place for the safety of everyone.

Arrival to School

Please do not arrive too early and avoid waiting around. The start time for Year Reception - Year 6 is 8:30 am and finish time will be 3:10 pm. Please leave immediately once you have collected your child to successfully maintain social distancing guidelines.

- Gates will open from 8.15 am to 8.30 am, to allow pupils to go straight to class.
Years 6, 5 and 4 will use the main gate
Years 3, 2 and 1 will use the middle gate
Reception and Nursery class will come in via the Early Years entrance.
- Children will line up outside of the school gate, wait to enter the building after cleaning their hand with the hand sanitiser. They will then go directly to their classrooms, supported by staff. There will be social distancing in place. Please follow the markings outside of the school building.
- Face masks: Anyone wearing Non-disposable face coverings when arriving at school will be expected to bring a plastic bag to keep these in during the school day. If they are using disposable face coverings, these will be put in a covered bin.

Dismissal from School

Please note the collection time is staggered. Please see the details below to familiarise yourself with when you are expected to collect your child. We will need all children and parents to stick to these allocated dismissal times in order to ensure that we do not have too many children/ adults entering or leaving at the same time. **If another parent is collecting**



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your child/children on your behalf, you must inform the school at the beginning of the week. Please note, you will not be able to change the arrangement for that week.

Non-Siblings Dismissal			
YG	Dismissal Time	Main Gate	New Middle Gate
Y6, Y5-Y4	3:10	Y6, Y5, Y4	
Y3, Y2, Y1	3:10		Y3, Y2, Y1

Siblings Dismissal			
YG	Dismissal Time	Main Gate	New Middle Gate
Y6	3:15	✓	
Y5	3:20	✓	
Y4	3:25	✓	
Y3	3:30	✓	
Y2	3:30		✓

- Only 1 adult may bring a child to and from school.
- Parents will not be allowed inside the school building -contact must remain via phone or email.
- The children will be placed in 'bubbles' according to their school phase. There will be four bubbles in the school – EY (NU & YR), KS1 (Y1 & Y2), LKS2 (Y3 & Y4), UKS2 (Y5 & Y6).
- Break times and lunch times will be staggered and separate areas for playtimes and our one-way system will remain in place. There will be no whole school assemblies or gatherings -instead celebration assemblies will take place in the children’s classrooms. There are no class-assemblies in the first term.



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- Children are required to bring in a packed lunch unless they are entitled to a Free School Meal. Please ensure as much of this as possible is disposable. ISI, our new catering company will provide Free School Meals for children.
- The children will use hand sanitisers as soon as they arrive at school and will wash hands with soap throughout the day.
- Children must bring in a named and filled water bottle.
- Please send a “healthy” snack and packed lunch with your child to school. Fruit, vegetables, breadsticks or crackers are all fine, but no cereal bars or crisps please, due to their high sugar, fat and/or salt content.
- Children may not bring equipment such as pens or pencils etc. from home. These will be provided for them in school. Please do not send any soft toys with your child to school.
- Children must wear school uniforms, preferably clean each day.
- After school clubs will not run in this first term. We will reinstate these as soon as we feel it is safe to do so.

We very much look forward to welcoming your child into school on Tuesday 1st September, and wish you all the most enjoyable final few days of the children’s summer holiday.

Sincerely,

Ustadha Saleem