



16<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### **UPDATES – RETURN TO SCHOOL**

Assalamu alaikom

I hope this letter finds you in good health and strong Imaan and that you had an enjoyable Eid with family.

### **COVID 19 Testing at MMPS**

I would like to thank all parents who took time out pre- and during Eid celebrations to undergo a COVID 19 test at MMPS; a total of 77 pupils (50%), 47 household members and 37 members of staff (85%) attended. One positive case was identified and was sent for genomic testing to establish the variant. Results are still coming through, but so far no other positives have been identified, al hamdu'lillah. Mrs Mohamed and I attended another meeting with Public Health England late this afternoon and school will open tomorrow as planned.

The positive case who as identified is a member of staff who has not been in school since Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April and MMPS pupils and staff had no close contact and are therefore not affected. The member of staff is currently self-isolating and will return to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May, in line with guidelines. Al hamdu'lillah the staff member is in good health and has no symptoms (asymptomatic).

### **Eid Party Tomorrow**

Eid parties in pupils' classes will go ahead tomorrow as planned. In line with our Whole School Operational Risk Assessment, pupils will be in their bubbles and there will be no indoor mixing of different bubbles. Now that Ramadan is over, we will return to our previous arrangements of all pupils eating in their respective classrooms.

We have hired two bouncy castles for tomorrow; this will allow us to split the classes between the two bouncy castles and allow time to clean in between bubbles.





## Clothing

Please bear in the mind that our pupils will be bouncing tomorrow...😊 and that the Manchester weather forecast is stating 'showers developing around noon' – so a rainproof coat/jacket with hood is a must, as usual, for lunch – and playtime.

I am sure that we are all following local news of the COVID 19 Indian variant spreading in nearby Bolton and other areas in the UK. We are continuing to implement all measures set out in our Whole School Operational Risk Assessment and follow national and local advice and guidelines.

Please continue to support us in our endeavour to keep our school community as safe as possible. You can do this by:

- Dropping off your children in line with staggered timings
- Collecting your children on time at the end of the day and leaving immediately upon collection
- Not gathering at school gates to avoid crowding
- Wearing a face mask, unless exempt, whilst in the school playground
- Maintaining a social distance to other parents
- Not approaching class teachers and other staff at the end of the day and continue to use Tapestry, Dojo or phone calls to school as a means of communication

I know that I can count on everyone's support in this matter.

We are looking forward to welcoming our pupils back to school tomorrow, insha'Allah.

Kind regards

Wasalaam

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**Head Teacher**

