



As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe how quickly the autumn term has flown by. It seems only a short time ago when we welcomed you and your children to the new school year!

We have had a busy term with lots of activities that your children have participated in and we have more to come over the next two weeks.

We have invited the Touring Theatre Company to visit our school, they will be performing their exciting show, Peter Pan, for all of our children across both sites. I'm sure the children will really enjoy this experience!

Next week we also have a trip to London Zoo for the year 2 children who will be learning about the different types of animals for their English work. Our year 6 children will also be visiting the London Buddhist centre to learn more about the diversity of the different people living in England.

We also have a workshop booked next week for the children across both sites. They will be learning how to use African drums to beat a rhythm and make harmonies—I'm sure that the children will enjoy making lots of noise during this experience!

Our week culminates in the school's very first jumble sale! We hope to see you all there. The jumble sale will start at 10am and will continue throughout the day and will finish at 3pm. I'd like to thank the parent council for organising this event and hope to make lots of money for St Joseph's Hospice and the Hackney Winter Night Shelter.



- 7th** Peter Pan show for Y2, 4,5, 6
  - 10th** Parents' Consultations Cazenove Road
  - 10th** Year 6 trip to the Buddhist Centre
  - 11th** Y2 London Zoo Trip
  - 11th** Y6 Buddhist Centre Trip
  - 11th** Parents' Consultations cazenove
  - 11th** Peter Pan show for Rec, Y1 and 3 at the UTC
  - 12th** African drumming Workshop Cazenove
  - 12th** Parents' Consultations UTC
  - 13th** African Drumming Workshop UTC
  - 13th** Parents' Consultations UTC
  - 14th** Jumble Sale 10-3pm Cazenove
  - 14th** Funky Jumper Day
  - 14th** Bint Abee Bakr Class Assembly
  - 18th** School Nurse visiting for Reception height and weight check
  - 20th** Last Day
- School Re-opens 3rd January**



You will be receiving a letter today with our Festive Winter Gift Programme details.

As last year, we will be supporting two wonderful organisations who care for the people in our Hackney community.

We are raising money for Hackney Winter Night Shelter, to help them to support those people who live without the comfort of a home during these cold, rainy months.

We are also raising money for St Joseph's Hospice who look after and care for those who are reaching the end of their lives.

These are two worthy causes—I hope you will join in and help raise money for them.

### UK Parliament Week

During Parliament Week we held a debate and invited two local schools to join us in a lively debate. The children were asked if more money should be spent on housing or education. It was wonderful to see all of the children taking part and speaking so eloquently and confidently.



### Attendance

We are working extremely hard to reach our school target of at least 97% for attendance. These are the figures for each class so far this term.

<b>Bint Muhammad</b>	97.9%	<b>Ibn Ali</b>	98.3%
<b>Ibn Umar</b>	97.6%	<b>Al Farsi</b>	98%
<b>Ibn Zubeyr</b>	97.3%	<b>Barakah</b>	98.7%
<b>Ibn Salamah</b>	96.3%	<b>Ibn Jabal</b>	97.5%
<b>Ibn Thaabit</b>	97.7%	<b>Ibn Al Awwamm</b>	97.8%
<b>Bint Qays</b>	97.3%	<b>Ibn Masood</b>	97.9%
<b>Bint Abee Bakr</b>	96.9%	<b>Ibn Amr</b>	98.5%
<b>Ibn Zayd</b>	96.8%	<b>Ibn Umayr</b>	98.8%
<b>Ibn Abbas</b>	97.8%	<b>Ibn Haarithah</b>	97.9%
<b>Ibn Sa'd</b>	98.6%	<b>Ibn Abee Talib</b>	98%
<b>Ibn Malik</b>	98.7%		

Well done to all the classes who have achieved more than 97% and a super well done to those that have achieved 98%

# JUMBLE SALE

You are all invited to Olive School's first Jumble Sale to raise money for **St Joseph's Hospice** and the **Hackney Winter Night Shelter**. Each child can bring a maximum of 5 items to sell but they must be in good condition. Remember, if you wouldn't buy it, then chances are that others won't either.

**Our items we wish to sell are:** **Volunteers needed!**

**Toys**

**Stationary**

**Bric a brac**

**Books**

**Computer accessories**

**Snacks and food**

Please bring food donations in from 8am onwards on Friday 14th December and anything else can be bought in from Monday 10th December.



We are looking for food donations that can be sold at the food area of the sale. Cakes and snacks would be most welcome. We also have a Computer corner where we will be selling computer related items such as laptop bags and cases.

**Friday 14th December at Cazenove Road from 10am to 3pm.**

Volunteers and donations are needed for our jumble sale.

Please let the parent Councilors know if you can help.



## Parents' Consultations

Next week we will be holding our first series of parent consultations of the year.

### Cazenove Site

On Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th, you will be able to meet the class teacher of your child if she/he is in Year 4, 5 or 6 on the Cazenove site.

You will have the opportunity to meet with Mr Ibrahim if you would like to ask about how your child is achieving in PE and sports and if you have any concerns about your child, Mrs Fadairo, our SenCo, will be available on both evenings.

**Please be aware that the parent meetings will only be for adults so please arrange child care in advance. The meetings will be held in the school hall on these evenings.**

### UTC Site

If your child is in Reception, Year 1, 2 or 3, your parent meetings will be held on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th in the UTC.

You will also be able to meet with Mrs Fadairo, our SenCo, during these two evenings if you have and concerns about your child.

**Please be aware that the parent meetings will only be for adults so please arrange child care in advance. These meetings will be held in the children's classrooms.**





## Whatsapp

It has come to my attention that there is a very active Whatsapp group where parents text each other about aspects of school life. Where this can be supportive, it can also be detrimental to the morale of parents and has also incited issues within the community, especially when things have been written about the school that are not true. There have also been incidents of petitions being started which goes against the very ethos of the school.



If you have any worries or concerns about any aspect of the school please feel free to approach the class teachers, year group leaders and if you are still not satisfied, members of the senior leadership team—we will always listen.

**Please be aware that we do have a parent code of conduct policy which we expect all parents to follow which is attached to this newsletter. You will be asked to sign and comply with the policy during your parent consultation meeting.**



As we come to an end of 2018, the sporting events continue to come thick and fast. Two weeks ago, we entered our very first Hackney Football League tournament, facing stiff opposition from schools around the borough. There were many tight games, unfortunately ending in slim defeats. However, the final game against Randal Cremer ended in an emphatic win for the Olive's!

Last week also saw another first. A mixed boys and girls team competed in Hackney's Netball league at Britannia Leisure Centre, The children put up a great fight, ending with a few draws and losses.

A group of 18 children this week entered Hackney's Cross-country kilometre race against 350 children from around the borough. Mustafa in Year 6 was placed highest for the boys, earning a very respectable position of 54th. Safiya and Kulthum were placed highest for the girls who also managed a position in the 50's. With 40 children being invited to the next round of races in January and February, and a solid group of experienced runners who have now got a race under their belts, there is hope for a higher placing.

Next week will be the final session of Arsenal's fun football club, with hope of more sessions next year for more children to benefit. There will also be an Athletics tournament next week, hosted by Urswick Primary School, followed by a Y4 & 5 cycle race on Friday.

The last week of school will see our fantastic footballers come up against the borough in another round of football matches.

## **Next Term**

2019 continues to be exciting with a host of sporting events already pencilled into the calendar. There will be another round of Bike Ability Level 1 & 2 training, a girl's football tournament with a chance of representing Arsenal FC, a cricket tournament as well as a continuation of various Hackney tournaments. We've got a busy and exciting sporting year ahead!

Mr Ibrahim  
Director of Learning for PE





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NURTURING TODAY'S **YOUNG PEOPLE,**  
INSPIRING TOMORROW'S **LEADERS**

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## PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

### Introduction

1. This school operates this Parents' Code of Conduct, which has been agreed by Star Academies.
2. At Star, we believe that educating children is a process that involves partnership between parents/carers, class teachers and the school community.
3. As a partnership, parents/carers with children at a Star school will understand the importance of a good working relationship in order to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood.
4. Parents/carers should indicate their agreement to act in accordance with this Code of Conduct by signing the Home School Agreement.

### Aims of the Code of Conduct

5. To provide a statement to all parents and/or carers of the expectations with regards to their conduct.
6. To outline the action that Star Academies will take if conduct does not meet these expectations.
7. To support the mission, values and vision of Star Academies and its schools.

### Expectations of parents/carers

8. As well as following the guidance set out in any Home-School Agreement or Parents Handbook we encourage parents and/or carers to:
  - follow the Star value of Respect by "treating others as we wish to be treated";
  - approach the school to help clarify and resolve any issues of concern that you or your child have. A parent's first point of contact will usually be with their child's teacher;
  - understand that both teachers and parents/carers need to work together for the benefit of their children;
  - demonstrate that all members of the school community should be treated with respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech and behaviour;
  - follow the process in the Star Academies Complaints Policy if they are looking to make a complaint against the school; and
  - make all persons dropping off and collecting their children aware of this code of conduct.

### Unacceptable behaviour

9. In order to support a peaceful and safe environment in our schools, Star Academies cannot tolerate parents/carers:
  - using offensive or profane language, swearing, cursing or displaying temper anywhere on school premises or in a phone call;

- making disparaging, libellous or slanderous comments about a member of staff at a Star school;
- posting defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding a Star school, any member of staff, pupils or parents/carers of pupils at the school on social media sites (Facebook, Twitter etc.). If parents/carers have any concerns regarding a Star school, they should seek to discuss these with the relevant staff member, or follow the Star Academies Complaints Policy if required;
- sending abusive or threatening messages via email, text, voicemail etc.;
- presenting disruptive behaviour which interferes, or threatens to interfere, with the operation of a Star school;
- threatening to inflict harm to a member of staff, governor, visitor, fellow parent/carer, or pupil at a Star school irrespective of whether or not the behaviour constitutes a criminal offence;
- approaching someone else's child in order to chastise them because of the actions of that child towards their own child;
- using physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against a parent/carer's own child on Star school premises;
- undertaking any forms of harassment: displaying vexatious behaviour which is humiliating for the individual and is damaging to their self-esteem. This can be conducted through repeated instances of any of the above;
- damaging or destroying property belonging to a Star school;
- smoking, taking illegal drugs or consuming alcohol on school premises; or
- bringing dogs, other than assistance dogs, on to school premises.

## Dealing with unacceptable behaviour

10. Should any of the unacceptable behaviour outlined above occur, the school may take the following steps:
  - clarify to the parent/carer, in writing, that unacceptable behaviour has been observed and issue the parent/carer with a warning regarding future conduct;
  - invite the parent/carer to a meeting to discuss events;
  - impose conditions on the parent/carer's contact with the school and its staff;
  - ban the offending parent/carer from entering school grounds;
  - contact the police if appropriate; and /or
  - pursue legal action, in certain circumstances, in order to seek redress, or prevent a reoccurrence, of any unacceptable behaviour.
11. Star schools will provide support to staff, pupils, parents/carers and governors who have been subject to incidents of unacceptable behaviour.
12. Any parental complaint that arises from an incident of unacceptable behaviour will be dealt with under the Star Academies Complaints Policy.
13. The school Principal will contact the Star Academies Head of Governance and Corporate Services for guidance prior to taking any action.