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Start of Summer Term

Our school will be re-opening for the new summer term on **Monday 19th April 2021**. The drop off and pick up timings will remain the same as usual throughout the month of Ramadan. The breakfast clubs on all three school sites will also remain open throughout Ramadan.

Attendance

At the end of the Spring term, our official attendance figure was **96.2%**. Well done to Reception and Year 2 who had the highest attendance. The attendance for Year 1 and 4 requires significant improvement as their attendance was below 96%. Our attendance target is over 97%.

Year Group	% Present
Reception	98.2%
Year 1	94.6%
Year 2	96.7%
Year 3	96.0%
Year 4	95.9%
Year 5	96.3%
Year 6	96.2%
Overall	96.2%

To promote good attendance we shall be:

- Issuing special attendance certificates to all pupils with 100% attendance by the end of next week.
- Celebrating the class with the highest attendance in each year group. This will be published in the parent bulletin each week. Pupils in the class with the highest attendance will receive 3 Class Chart points.
- Inviting the class with the highest attendance in each year group to an end of summer term Circus Skills workshop in the last week of term.

Ramadan Arrangements

The blessed month of Ramadan is upon us. Please can you tell us if you would like your child to fast at school during Ramadan by completing this form – [CLICK HERE](#).

We will try to provide a quiet space for pupils to use for quiet reflection or prayer during break and lunch times, however this may be limited due to Covid restrictions.

Pupils on free school meals who are fasting the whole day will be able to take their lunch home.

The school will be sensitive to pupils being lethargic and tired during lessons. For example, in PE, pupils who are fasting will be given less strenuous activity and more rest breaks.

There will be water and dates available in the school offices at all three sites. If any child who is fasting wishes to break their fast, then they will be sent to the school office where they will be given dates to eat and water to drink. They will be returned back to class soon after.

Message from Principal (Mr. Mirza)

Assalamu alaikum (peace be with you)

[CLICK HERE](#) to watch my Ramadan greeting.

Ramadan Mubarak. I hope you are reaping the benefits of this blessed month. I pray that Allah accepts all of our fasting, prayers and charity. Ameen. I also hope that you have managed to switch off and have had a well-deserved rest during these holidays.

We have organised a range of Ramadan activities as we want this Ramadan to be memorable for all pupils.

We have a busy half term ahead. I know that it will be a challenge for some pupils and staff to fast whilst continuing to maintain high standards at school, however, it is important that we do not allow standards to slip during this month as there is still a great deal of catch-up work to be done to ensure all pupils achieve their end of year expectations. Please ensure your child is in school every day on time.

You will receive your child's pupil progress report within two weeks and we will organise teacher-parent meetings straight after Eid.

I look forward to seeing all at some point this week.

Ramadan Activities

We have organised an extensive range of activities for all pupils during this blessed month. Full details can be found on page 2 of this bulletin.

Non-School Uniform Days in Ramadan

Every Friday during Ramadan will be non-school uniform day. All pupils will be encouraged to dress in traditional clothes including thawbs/abayas etc. and donate to our STAR Ramadan Charity campaign. Please can you encourage your children to take part.

STAR Ramadan Charity Campaign

During this Ramadan, all STAR schools will be helping to raise £100K for people in need in the United Kingdom and Syria. Our donations will make a real difference to people's lives. [CLICK HERE](#) to read the letter which provides further details about the campaign. All donations should be made via ParentPay. We will provide a running total of funds raised every week in the parent bulletin.

Ramadan Fitness Challenge

Every night of Ramadan, at 6pm, *Zamma Fit* will be sharing a new fun workout on their YouTube channel for you to try. There will be different levels so you can do the level that works for you – beginner through to advanced. For the first ten nights, the workouts will be 10 minutes long and will build to 15 minutes and 20 minutes in the second and third sets of ten nights, respectively. Please try to take part and remain healthy during Ramadan.

Watch video: <https://youtu.be/2Eu6dLCSn1o>



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Ramadan ACTIVITIES



Ramadan Activity Books.



You can purchase high quality discounted Ramadan activity books from Learning Roots. Visit this dedicated webpage to order www.ramadanbooks.com.



Decorating Classrooms

All classrooms will be decorated by pupils and teachers on the first day back at school.

Daily Good Deed Calendar (at School)

All classes will create a daily good deed calendar on the first day back at school. The good deeds will include actions that pupils can carry out in school.

Good Deeds Challenge (at Home)

Another version of the good deeds calendar will focus on good deeds that pupils should complete at home. [CLICK HERE](#) to see the Good Deeds Calendar. All pupils will receive a printed copy on the first day back at school.

Qur'an Word of the Day

We will have a Qur'an word of the day which all pupils will learn at the start of the day alongside their usual recitation of Surah Al-Faatiha. These Qur'an words will be posted to our dedicated Ramadan webpage every day. [CLICK HERE](#).

Ramadan Journal

All pupils will be given a printed copy of this Ramadan journal on the first day back and should be encouraged to complete it every day during Ramadan. [CLICK HERE](#) to download our Ramadan Journal.

Ramadan Reflections

Pupils will watch a daily Ramadan Reflection. These daily reflections will be posted to our dedicated Ramadan webpage every day. [CLICK HERE](#).

My Ibadah Chart

All pupils will be given a copy of our Ramadan Ibadah chart where they can record all of their good deeds during this blessed month. [CLICK HERE](#) to download an electronic copy of the chart.

Olive's Got Faith Talent

Parents should send in a video clip of their child(ren) performing a nasheed/spoken word/poetry/Qur'an recitation to their child's class email by **Sunday 25th April 2021**. [CLICK HERE](#) for class email addresses.

Ramadan Assemblies

Every Monday, the Principal will deliver a whole school assembly based upon three key themes: Days of Mercy, Days of Forgiveness and asking for entry into Paradise. All assemblies will be included in the weekly parent bulletin.

STAR Charity Campaign

This Ramadan, we are supporting two projects through the SHINE Charity. Project 1 – Supporting our Star Family in the UK (Lillah and Sadqah-e-Nafil). Project 2 – Supporting our Star Family in Syria (Zakah). Please [CLICK HERE](#) to read full details on how you can take part.

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit our Olive School Ramadan webpage.

Ramadan
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CULTURE CORNER!



RAMADAN DECORATIONS

MRS BEGUM AND MS MAMODO'S CHALLENGE TO YOU!

Have you decorated your house for Ramadan this year?

Ramadan is celebrated all around the world, by people from many different cultures. We're challenging you to decorate a space in your home with items that represent the different cultures and languages of your friends!

Friendship is born when at that moment when one person says to another: 'What! You too? I thought that I was the only one.' C.S. Lewis.

In Early Years Foundation Stage friendship plays a big part in developing children's personal, social and emotional. This is why Mrs Begum and Ms Mamodo would like you to celebrate friendship and learn more about your friends as you celebrate Ramadan together.

How much do you know about your friends? What languages can they speak? Which country are they from? Can you find their country on a map? What traditional clothes do they wear? Do they eat any special foods during Ramadan?

Find out about your friends and then decorate a Ramadan space in your home to celebrate their culture and languages!

Why not give it a go as a family, send us in your photos or even a video of your lovely Ramadan areas!

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Check out these finished products!



Can you discover any Fibonacci surprises of your own?

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Any artefacts/items from different cultures, including your own.
- Images different countries or flags.
- Paint, pencils, paper and any craft items.

You may have seen this sequence before:

1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21...

It's called the Fibonacci Sequence and each term is calculated by adding together the previous two terms in the sequence.



WARMING UP OUR MATHS BRAINS...



Maths Family Challenge PART 2

Examples from part 1 challenge.



Try adding together any three consecutive Fibonacci numbers.

What do you notice?

Can you explain it?

Choose any four consecutive Fibonacci numbers. Add the first, last and divide by two.

What do you notice?

Can you explain it?

