23rd March 2020

Asalamualaikum warahmtullahi wabarakatuhu,

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Update on school and self-isolation.

You are aware of the announcement that the secretary of state has made regarding the outbreak of coronavirus and the decision to close all schools from Monday 23rd March 2020. This will affect all children except those that are vulnerable and those who belong to a key workers category:

* National Health Service Worker
* Armed Forces
* Teachers, school employees and childcare staff
* Care home workers
* Police officer, community support, civilian staff
* Firefighters
* Local authority planners
* Health workers (doctors, midwives, nurses, psychologists, etc)
* Delivery drivers – such as online retailers and supermarkets, etc.

Please can you inform the school if you are a key worker and belong to one of the categories above, the school will continue to support you. You must let the school know by Monday 23rd March by 9.00am. You will be required to show proof. We will allow your child to access the school and will provide a tailored education as per the timetable below:

9:00-9:15am Registration and dua

9:15-10:30 Qur’an, Hifdh and Tajweed

10:30-11:30 Islamic science

11:30-11:45 Snack break

11:45-12:45 English

12:45-1:20pm Lunch

1:20-2:00 Numeracy

2:00-2:40 Art

2:40-2:55 Break

2:55 -3:30 Tafseer

3.30 Home time

This timetable will run from Monday to Friday during term time dates. However, school holiday dates will remain the same.

A government decision has also been made to cancel all external exams including the year six SATs exam scheduled for May this year. As there are no further instructions about this we strongly urge all children to study and prepare well just as if they will sit the SATs in May.

**Digital Online Learning Portal**

Children that will stay at home must continue their learning and development via the new digital learning portal that we have setup specifically to cope with this particular crisis. Timetables have been developed with clear guidelines for parents of how to structure your child/ren’s learning. Subject specific resources have been prepared for your child to access ensuring that your child/ren continue their learning and do not fall behind. We have taken into consideration that some families may only have access to one device be it a phone, tablet or computer. If you do not have a laptop or computer please let the school know, we will discuss further options with you.

These resources are for your children allowing them to complete their learning on a daily basis at home during this closure period.

The digital learning portal can be accessed via the link below:

<http://www.buttercupprimary.co.uk/>

Please ensure that children complete their learning daily and continue to learn and develop as individuals. Children must be ready for learning at 9.00am and follow a consistent school routine to ensure balanced development.

Each piece of work must be dated, organised neatly and kept safe as it will be required back when we re-open. We request that you compile the children’s work in a document wallet/ exercise book and bring it in to the school when notified by Ms Zahina.

Though SATs examinations have been cancelled, it is still necessary for children to maintain their skills, knowledge and understanding. Year six children will be supported by suitable and challenging resources ensuring they are still up-to-date and ready Insha ‘Allaah

The digital learning portal will be fully supported by school staff who will be available to discuss and support children. Each class teacher can be contacted via their email address below to get any explanation, assistance and clarification with regards to the work set. The teachers will check their emails every hour to respond to any concerns and provide support.

**Mid-morning call**

Teachers will randomly call your child every day and check on their progress on core subjects and ensure they have completed their learning and set tasks. Please ensure your child is ready to receive this call daily. Remember, the caller number will be anonymous (Private number).

**Teaching team**

We are doing our best in this temporary crisis to minimise disruption to your child’s education. All teaching staff will be ready to respond to support with your child’s home learning each day. The team will continue to work at school every day from 8:45-3.30pm. Teachers will be in charge of creating your child’s weekly lessons and activities this will be uploaded regularly onto the home learning portal. Each week a new set of work will be uploaded to ensure a clear learning and progression route takes place in relation to your child’s year group. This insha’Allah will minimise disruption to there ARE (age related expectations) for a specific term.

You can also contact school leaders directly via their mobile phones Insha ‘Allaah.

**Daily Registration**

Children will be contacted on a daily basis for AM registration and a midday call from the teachers to check to ensure that their learning is taking place.

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| **Section** | **Teacher** | **Email** | **Phone number** |
| Nursery | Shazia | [Shazia.iqbal@buttercupprimary.co.uk](mailto:Shazia.iqbal@buttercupprimary.co.uk) |  |
| Nursey | Khaleda | khaleda.khatun@buttercupprimary.co.uk |  |
| Reception | Nazma | [nazma.khanam@buttercupprimary.co.uk](mailto:nazma.khanam@buttercupprimary.co.uk) |  |
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| Year 5 and 6 | Amtullah | [amtullah.malik@buttercupprimary.co.uk](mailto:amtullah.malik@buttercupprimary.co.uk) |  |
| Islamic studies and Arabic | Ustaad Hassan | [enamul.hassan@buttercupprimary.co.uk](mailto:enamul.hassan@buttercupprimary.co.uk) |  |
| School Admin | Zahina | info@buttercupprimary.co.uk | 0203 7597408 |
| Headteacher | Zara | info@buttercupprimary.co.uk |  |
| Deputy Head | Shaheda | Shaheda.khanom@buttercupprimary.co.uk | 0203 7597408 |

**Food parcels and personal hygiene packs:**

At Buttercup primary school we would like to announce that the school management will be aiding with food and personal hygiene parcels for families who are facing difficulties.

Please get in touch and call: 07429112217

The health and safety of our pupils and their families comes first, we will do our level best to assist if required. Please do not hesitate to contact us.

We pray that this test passes with ease, may Allah grant us all strength and enable us to become enlightened at this difficult time.

May I ask you to keep us all in your duas as we continue to strive in his path.

**School Fees**

Please ensure that fees are paid in on time, Ms Zahina will be available and will be on call to send reminders. The school solely runs on fees and cannot be destabilised as financial implications can lead to closure.

Our prayers are with you and your families, and we ask Allah for his forgiveness, mercy and protection from any harm.

We hope to see the rest of the children and families soon.

Jazaak Allaahu khairan

Ms Zara Rahman

Headteacher

Buttercup Primary school