



9th July 2021.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, the end of this academic year will look completely different to any other year. Unfortunately, considering the current situation, we were unable to facilitate many of the normal procedures and routines. We know that this will be a change for both pupils and parents, but we thank you in advance for your understanding, as all decisions made are to ensure that we look after all members of El-Iman School community.

We close the 2020/21 academic year with a range of contradictory feelings. Sadness for those who have lost their lives, health and livelihoods to this terrible virus. Pride in how we have all functioned together as a school community and supported one another throughout. We can also feel positivity for the future – not only to deliver the best education possible in the safest way possible, but also to ensure that El-Iman School comes back even stronger than ever in September, with a re-doubled sense of the vital purpose of education and a commitment to achieving our individual academic and personal potential.

I would like to pay tribute to the way that children, parents and staff have coped with the current situation. It is impossible to have imagined us working together in such circumstances and I am enormously grateful for your understanding, positivity and generosity. We have all needed to make significant compromises in terms of the way in which we have functioned and lived our lives. The messages of support and positive feedback that you have given to us have been appreciated more than we can say.

Arrangements for September 2021

We are now actively planning for all pupils to return to school in September 2021. As you will be aware the Government have only just released the guidance, but we are currently working on what impact and changes will mean for the school itself. We are also looking closely about how we will support our children with their learning on their return and how we will address missed teaching and learning over the summer term.

We thank parents and pupils for adhering to the new rules that have been implemented since the Covid-19 outbreak. We would stress to those who are coming back to school for the first time in September, that the rules and guidance we set out must be followed. Following the guidance is imperative in helping to minimise the risk of any future outbreaks and we all must play our part. The guidance of what school looks like at the present time is on the website,

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however this will be updated once any new plans using the Government guidance have been finalised. We understand parents may have many questions, so please read the Government guidance as this will be the content we will have to follow. Please do check the website for updates as this, alongside emails, will continue to be our main source of contact with families. Finally, we want to say thank you to all our pupils, those who are both in school and those who continue to learn from home via zoom. We know that this has been a difficult time for you and being away from your classmates has been extremely hard, but you too have played an important role in helping stop the spread of the virus. Thank you for taking the time to carry on your learning through the tasks set for you and with the work your families have done. We are really looking forward to seeing you all in September.

Term starts on **Saturday 11th September 2020.**

Once again, please check the website and your emails, as further information regarding the return to school will be posted.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher