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24th January 2022 | 21st Jumadal Akhirah 1443 AH

Assalamu 'Alaikum Wr Wbr (May His Peace, Mercy and Blessings be Upon You)

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

I pray you are well and in good health.

REF: Key dates - Academic School Years 2021 – 2022 and 2022 - 2023

I am writing to inform you of some key forthcoming dates for your information for this academic year 2021 – 2022 and also key dates for 2022 - 2023 given the very recent local authority released information.

As you will be aware, each academic year we configure the school year so that Eid days are designated as formal holidays and consequently these days are rearranged to ensure that we meet the mandatory number of schools days required in the academic year.

Uniquely, this year, the Department for Education (DfE) have reviewed the necessary legislation and made an amendment that reduces the number of school days by an extra day. The new regulations therefore enables everyone to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of HM the Queen on 3rd June 2022.

The May Bank Holiday Weekend has been moved to Thursday 2nd June 2022 and an additional Bank Holiday included on Friday 3rd June 2022 to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee - the first time any British monarch has reached this historic milestone.

As the 3rd June 2022 falls within Half Term in respect of the Platinum Jubilee many schools have already utilised this additional holiday in the autumn term or are making plans suitable for their setting.

Considering the above, please note that:

Madani Schools will be closed on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th April 2022. These days were made up at the start of the academic year when it was also clear that any potential Eid days cannot be made up at the end of the year with Eid Ul Adha falling immediately after the end of the school year.

The 28th April 2022 is likely to be the 27th blessed night of Ramadaan and will provide students with dedicated time for ibadah, prayer and supplication.

Furthermore, **Jubilee day has been designated as Tuesday 3rd May 2022 when the schools will also be closed.**

Eid Ul Fitr is estimated to fall on 2nd May 2022, Bank Holiday Monday. Therefore, this will provide a 6 day weekend from Thursday 28th to Tuesday 3rd May 2022 for our students and staff to conclude Ramadaan, prioritising their spiritual development and to celebrate Eid Ul Fitr with family. In total, students will spend approximately the first 5 days of Ramadaan and 3 days after the Easter break of Ramadaan in school.



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Key dates - Academic School Year 2021 – 2022*

- **Estimated start of Ramadaan:** Saturday 2nd April 2022
- **Half term 4 ends:** Friday 8th April 2022
- **Easter break:** Saturday 9th April 2022 to Sunday 24th April 2022
- **Good Friday:** Friday 15th April 2022
- **Easter Monday:** Monday 18th April 2022
- **Half Term 5 begins:** Monday 25th April 2022
- **Additional Ramadaan holiday:** Thursday 28th & Friday 29th April 2022
- **Estimated Eid Ul Fitr:** Monday 2nd May 2022
- **Jubilee Holiday/ Additional Eid holiday:** Tuesday 3rd May 2022
- **Last day of school year:** Friday 8th July

Alhumdulillah, whilst much of the above mentioned is positive for the spiritual needs of our students, I must reiterate that remote assignments will be set for students on these days to complete in their own time. Year 11 students in particular will inevitably be supported to and expected to incorporate their summer exams revision in to the Easter break. This is necessary as the summer exam season commences soon after from Monday 16th May 2022.

It is for this reason that an additional series of Year 11 Mock exams has been scheduled for the forthcoming Half Term break week beginning 14th February 2022. Students have been provided with an exam timetable. You will recall that mocks exams have been scheduled during half terms to minimise impact on in-school learning. Sessions have been designed for the mornings to provide students with the rest of the day without disruption.

Key dates - Academic School Year 2022 – 2023*

For the academic year 2022 – 2023, we will be required to open slightly earlier than local schools for staff on 23rd August 2023 and for students 25th August to make up for celebratory Eid days. A full breakdown of the schools and the Local Authority term dates are available via the school websites.

- **INSET Teacher Days:** Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th August 2022
- **Autumn Term commences:** Thursday 25th August 2022
- **INSET Teacher Day:** Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- **Estimated Ramadaan start:** Wednesday 22nd March 2023
- **Estimated Eid Ul Fitr:** Friday 21st April 2023
- **Estimated Eid Ul Adha:** 28th and 29th or 29th and 30th June 2023
- **Last day of school year:** Friday 14th July 2023

*All estimated dates are subject to the latest lunar sighting and calculations.

*All dates are subject to local and national Governmental guidance.

We take both the academic and spiritual development of our students seriously in all planning. As ever, sincere JKK/ Shukran for your support.

Please also continue to make du'a for our learning community, all communities worldwide particularly our vulnerable and elderly iA' for The Almighty SWT's Divine Mercy.

Wasalaam

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