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Head Teacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 1

Dear Parents,

Assalamu Alaikum

I pray that you are all well and I am sure that you are all glad that the children are back in school! We are too! We need the structure back in our lives. The new academic year and the new Islamic Year 1442 have almost aligned themselves this year.

We welcome all our previous pupils and each one of the **61 new pupils**, Masha Allah! We now have 200 pupils in Suffah, the highest ever, Masha Allah. We are very close to our maximum capacity. A lot of classes have waiting lists now. We also welcome all of our staff, especially the new ones.

Suffah Primary Staff

This is a good opportunity to introduce all the staff to all parents especially the new ones.

Name	Role	Qualifications
SMT		
Asif Ali	Headteacher	BA (Hons) Theology, PGCE & QTS, MOL (Master of Oriental Languages)
Soobia Khan	Assistant Head, Bursar, EY Manager	BSc (Hons) Information Technology, Diploma in Montessori Teaching
Office Staff		
Amina Abderrahman	Office Administrator	Level 2 Business Admin
Mariyam Naveed	Office Admin	
Primary Teaching Staff		
Jannatara Akhtar	Year 1 Teacher	BA (Hons) Education Studies, MA in Education, PGCE
Ayesha Khan	Year 2 Teacher	TA Level 1,2&3, Education and Training Diploma Level 4, HLTA Level 4
Amatullah Cinzia Albi	Year 3 Teacher	BA (Hons) in Humanities, BA (Hons) in Foreign Lang & Lit, HLTA level 4
Suhana Haque	Year 3 Teacher	BSc (Hons) Biochemistry and PGCE in Primary Education
Shoayb Bhatti	Year 4 Teacher	BA (Hons) English, PGCE
Aa'ishah Lodda	Year 5 Teacher	BA (Hons) Sociology, PGCE
Sikandar Ali Khan	Year 6 Teacher	LLB Law, PGCE
Mahmoud Ghleileib	Qur'an, IS, Arabic	BA Islamic Studies, MSc Islamic Banking & Finance.
Arami Mohamoud	Qur'an, IS, Arabic	BA in Arabic

Primary Support Staff		
Ghazala Saleh	Learning Support Assistant	BA Journalism, STL Level 2, Working on HLTA
Salma Shaikh	Year 1 Teaching Assistant	Working on HLTA
Memoona Ahmed	Year 3 Teaching Assistant	PGCE
Early Years Staff		
Naveeda Khan	Reception Teacher	BA (Hons) Early Years Teaching and Learning (Level 5)
Kausar Rangari	Reception TA	Level 3 Child Care
Zeenat Camball	Reception TA	Level 2 in Support work in Schools (QCF), Working on Level 3 EY
Sunbul Munir	Nursery Teacher	BSc (Hons) Psychology, Level 2 Child Care, Working on EYTS
Maha Amberine	Nursery Key Worker	Level 2 Child Care, Working on Level 3
Fawziya Haque	Nursery Key Worker	Level 2 Child Care, Working on Level 3

RSE Consultation

Insha Allah on Monday, you will be sent another email from the school, which will be regarding our PSHE (Relationship education) curriculum. The survey will take you approximately 30 minutes to complete. Please set aside that much uninterrupted time to complete it in one session. You will have 14 days before it closes.

Routines

I would like to thank all parents and pupils for their support and understanding of our morning and end of day routines. Unless there is **severe adverse weather**, we will continue morning and end of day routines as they are. A small amount of wind and rain will not deter us Insha Allah. Please send your children to school appropriately dressed for the day's weather.

Parking

Some of the new parents are parking their cars on the double yellow lines on the service road leading to/from the Masjid. Please avoid parking there at all times as it causes a bottle neck for traffic.

Morning Mile Run

Insha Allah, from next Tuesday, we will start our Morning Mile Run in the carpark (in 3 bubbles). The carpark gates will be shut for 15 minutes, at 7.50am and be reopened at 8.05am. If you are still in the car park, you will have to remain stationary and inside your car until the exercise is completed. This can become frustrating if you have other siblings to drop off to other schools etc. Please try and aim to have your children here by **7.40am**. Registration is taken at 7.45am, so children need to be in their seats by that time.

PE Uniform

On days children have PE, they will come to school in their PE uniform (with jumper/cardigan) for the full day. This avoids time wasted on changing in and out of the school uniform.

Labelling possessions

Please ensure **all** of your child's clothing, shoes and bags etc are named clearly. A lot of children have identical possessions as they have been purchased from the same shop, brand, colour and size.

End of Day

Following the same practice as last year, the office will not be answering the phones from 3.00pm till 3.30pm Mondays -Thursdays and 11.10am till 11.30am on Fridays. It is the busiest time with pupils leaving and staff on radio communication.

If you would like for another parent/relative to collect your child, please email the office with all of the authorised adults names so there are no delays. New parents need to be reminded that we can't send other children home with them, even though they may have dropped them off unless they have 'Permission to Collect'.

COVID

We can't thank Allah enough for the blessings he has showered upon the family of Suffah pupils, parents and staff.

I pray that Allah keeps each and every one of us in His eternal protection. Amin.

If there is anything you would like to discuss about the items above or anything else, please don't hesitate in contacting me on head@suffahprimaryschool.co.uk.

Kind regards

Asif Ali
Head Teacher