

30/04/2017

Dear Parents, Assalamu alaikum

I hope and pray this newsletter greets you in the very best of health. Please also find attached calendar for 2017-18.

Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair will be on Sunday 21st May 2017 at the school from 12noon – 6pm. It is our main fund raiser for the year and I hope that all parents will join us at this even and make it successful. This is being organised by our FACS team so please enquire with FACS to register your assistance. Parents can volunteer on the day, bring cooked food to be sold or donate towards the costs of holding the fair. Please make sure you inform all your family and friends about the fair.

Dad's/Uncle's Coffee Morning

I would like to invite all father's and uncles for a coffee morning on

- **Sun 14th May 2017 11am – 12noon**

Come and join me for a croissant and hot or cold drink

Parents Evenings

Our teachers are keen to meet parents of children at our school to feedback on your children's progress at the school. Teachers feel that it will be more useful to meet parents in the next few weeks rather than meet parents in July. Hence please note the new dates for parents evening. We apologise for the short-ish notice, however we feel that by providing the feedback earlier, parents will be able to influence the children's learning this term and hence your children's education will benefit more.

Primary Parents evening will be held on

- Nursery, Reception Yrs 1-5: 15 and 18, 19 May @ 2:30pm – 4:45pm
- Secondary: 16 and 17 May @ 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Road works of Algernon Road

There are Electrical Power works going on between 8 – 15 May and Algernon Road will be closed for some/all of this time. This will undoubtedly create additional traffic issues around the school. So parents are advised to allow extra time to get your children to school on time and for coming to pick up your children at home time.

Moderation - Secondary School closed on 5th June

You will already be familiar with the fact that there GCSEs are changing from A-E grades to a 1-9 grading system. This is linked to a new curriculum that is being rolled out for all GCSE subjects over next few years and each school having to devise their own assessment system especially for KS3. With this is the expectation from DfE/Ofsted that local schools will get together and moderate their assessment systems.

You will be pleased to know that we have been building relationships with North London Grammar School (LNGS) in Colindale and hence as part of this, our secondary school will be moderating with LNGS on the 5th June 2017. All of our secondary teachers need to be available for this; hence the secondary school will be closed on 5th June 2017. The Primary school will remain open on this date. GCSE exams taking place on this day will go ahead as normal and will not be affected by the moderation.

The HT and deputy HT from LNGS will be spending a couple of weeks at our school this summer to help in implementing the assessment system and to help with other management matters.

Ramadhan Iftaar Help

Many Muslims around the world observe fasting but don't have proper food to enjoy for Iftaar. Our school is trying to help gather funds to alleviate this poverty issue for a few such families. In some countries we have trusted volunteers who will deliver food packages to homes in remote areas ensuring that it is only the needy that are helped. For aid in other countries we will be passing funds to the charity Human Appeal. Currently we have the following projects on going with further projects to be rolled out

- Feed an entire family for the whole of Ramadhan for £32 in Pakistan see <https://regive.org/asks/view/pakistan-iftar-project>
- Syria food aid. We are trying to collect enough funds to send a truck full of flour to Syria. This will cost £10,000. see <https://regive.org/asks/view/food-aid-for-syria>

For these and other project please donate asap possible so that the food reaches the needy before Ramadhan starts. Finally, we are selling Zaytoun Dates from Palestine to help the famers of Palestine so please do buy a box of Medjoul dates from the from office

