



9th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer, Assalamu Alaykum (may peace be with you)

I hope and pray you and your families are all healthy and well.

First and foremost, I would like to express my immense gratefulness for your patience, support and effective communication over this past week. It has been a week like no other!

Following from the governmental advice earlier this week, the school quickly transitioned into live Remote Teaching for all children who were not attending school. We also set provision for our Critical Key Worker children in school. The school remains open for Critical Key Worker children. If you are a Critical Key Worker, please email the school on info@oliveblackburn.staracademies.org

From next week all children in Years 1-6 will follow the same timetable. Please watch the video in the following link:

<https://www.oliveblackburn.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Parents-Online-Learning-Guide-1.mp4>

This timetable will ensure all children follow the same pattern of start and finish times and the same break and lunch timings. We hope that this will make it easier for all those families at home to create one routine for the day.

Additional to this, the timetable has special whole school activities built into the day, to fulfil a range of activities led by a whole school teaching team. For example, each day there will be 'Move with Mr McPartlan' session where the children can enjoy some fitness and exercise. We also will have 'Music Moments with Mrs Mulla' who will support the children to learn the weeks Nasheed. Mrs Walsh will also be doing her section on well-being and Mr Adam will be teaching Arabic. We hope this variety and short bursts of teaching will help the children to remain engaged and continue to enjoy their learning.

On Friday, the children will have a 'Star Creations' session in which we will be completing a range of activities live with the whole school. The activities will range from baking, crafts, origami etc. As a school we will inform all parents a week before of what you will need to prepare so that your child/children can join in.

Next week is our first session and for this session Miss Desai will be making Rocky Road with the children. To prepare for the activity the children will need a set of ingredients to join in. Please see the ingredients list below. We hope that you can support your child to gather the ingredients and be ready to take part next week on Friday.

Rocky Road

400g chopped chocolate

50g Butter

1 tbs Golden syrup

100g plain biscuits

Mini marshmallows

Treats of your choice (popcorn, crunchie bars, raisins etc.)

If there is anything you are not sure of or need further clarity, please email the school on info@oliveblackburn.staracademies.org.

Please continue to keep the school in your humble duaas.

Kind regards,



Mrs S Riaz