



19th February 2021

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

I hope and pray you and your families are all healthy and well and have had a good half term break.

We are starting Spring 2 still under the Government Lockdown guidelines, announcements are due early next week and Insha'Allah we will keep you updated with any further announcements.

Please see the timetable attached for week commencing Monday, 22nd February 2021.

Please see below key reminders for effective remote learning:

Punctuality and attendance

Punctuality and attendance remain to be paramount; it is imperative that all children are encouraged to keep the same school day routine. All children need to be logged into Microsoft Teams for 8:20am ready for register. Please do encourage your child to remain punctual and participate in each lesson.

Submission of work

All Year 1-6 children need to submit their work via Microsoft Assignment. Microsoft Assignment enables children to submit their work, receive feedback and keep their submissions in one folder. With your support the children have been using this feature so well and most children are regular in submitting their work. Please encourage your child to submit their work daily. If you have any questions, please email into school.

Password change

Over the next coming weeks, we will be issuing new Microsoft teams, passwords for all children. All new passwords will be directly texted to the parents. We will send the message to the parents whose phone number is registered on our school system. The password change will work Please support your child with this change and ensure they do not share their password with others.

Spirited Art Competition

The 'Spirited Art competition' has been launched across school and we are encouraging all children to get involved. The Spirited Art Competition is a Trust-wide competition taking place in all our faith schools, pupils are asked to research and find a short verse from the Qur'an that inspires them, gives them hope and speaks to them spiritually.

Children are being invited to produce a piece of art (such as poem, picture or sculpture) that represents the verse. This will be an individual response. We know that people find comfort, reaffirmation, solace and hope in the expression of spirituality. The children are being encouraged to plan and draft their work before spending time in completing their final piece, to make it their very best!

The 10 best responses from each school will be submitted to the Trust and prizes will be awarded. The closing date for the competition entries is **Monday March 1st**, all the competition entries can be dropped off to the school's main office.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone get involved with the Spirited Art Competition both at home and in school.

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

STAR Creations 26/02/21

In this week's Star Creations session, the Year 1 team will be leading a session on 3D fruit art. Children learning remotely will need a selection of fruit (apples, pears, grapes, blueberries etc.) and some cocktail sticks. The children in school will be provided with all the resources they require for the session. We are looking forward to seeing some tasty 3d art!



Many thanks again for your continued support and please continue to keep the school in your humble duaas.

Wsalaams,

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Riaz', written in a cursive style.

Miss S Riaz

Principal