



4th September 2020

Guidance for Madrasah Re-opening from 8th September 2020

Assalamualaikum,

Madrasah Re -opening in line with the 'Protective measures for holiday and after-school clubs, and other out -of -school settings during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

We pray you are in the best of health and Imaan.

By the grace of the Almighty, the madrasah year 2020/2021 **will commence on Tuesday 8th September 2020.**

The reopening of Madrasah will require cooperation from all of us to ensure a safe return in the current climate during these unprecedented times. We have planned a staged reopening of madrasah.

We ask that all parents follow the guidelines shown below to ensure the safety of our children.

Guidelines and Information

1. Introduction

The Madrasah will be **reopening from Tuesday 8th September 2020** (I.A) with classes split into two groups or “bubbles”. (Monday 7th September will be used as a Staff Training/Inset Day.)

The last few months have proven to be challenging for us all and our daily lives have changed dramatically. Class teachers have spent a lot of time during the closure trying their best to keep children up to date through on-call learning. May the Almighty reward them for all their efforts.

The Madrasah will also be required to adapt to the new changes in educational settings ensuring the safety of our children, parents, teachers, and the wider community.

It is very important to follow the government guidelines, for prevention, safety, and infection control. The support of our parents, students, and the wider community in the re-opening of our madrasah is of utmost importance as are your duas for the safeguarding and protection of our madrasahs.

A COVID Madrasah Strategic Group has been established, responsible for all aspects of opening and management of the madrasah in a safe manner. A comprehensive risk assessment has been produced in line with Government guidelines

2. Class “Bubbles” and Time-slots

Each child will be placed in a group that will attend madrasah at the same time each day. There are two time slots and your child has been allocated the time slot stated on the attached slip.



2.1 The 1st Group will attend from 5.00pm-6.00pm.

6.00pm-6.15pm – Cleaning and Sanitization will take place

2.2 The 2nd Group will attend from 6.15pm – 7.15pm.

As the class size will be smaller in each “bubble”, your child will still gain the benefit of the full attention of the class teacher during the shorter time they are at madrassah.

Your child's Class Teacher will contact you with the time slot allocated to you.

3. Arrival and Departure

Please arrive on time for your child's drop-off / pick-up time.

It is extremely important that children go straight to their class and maintain a safe distance from children of other classes. Children and teachers will sanitize their hands when they enter and leave the class for any reason. All classes will be provided with hand sanitizers.

3.1 Designated Points for Entry and Exit

Please continue to use the Main Entrance Black door for Boys classes, and the Pemberton Street White Door for Girls classes

There will be volunteers at each designated point to guide and help the students.

We kindly request the support of the parents as we understand those with more than one sibling will be using different designated points.

4. COVID Specific Guidelines

All parents and students over the age of 11 MUST wear face coverings when entering and leaving the masjid, Parents waiting outside for their children must also wear face coverings whilst they are near the masjid area, and practice Social Distancing.

We will not be able to allow parents to enter the madrassah building during madrasah times. It will therefore be important that parents tell their child/children exactly where they will be waiting for them in advance.

If parents need to contact the teachers, then please either contact the teacher by phone, or email.

Please respect our volunteers who will be spending their time and effort to support our madrasah. They will be guiding you according to the rules and we ask for your support in supporting them.

4.1 COVID Symptoms

If your child has COVID symptoms (new persistent cough, high temperature, loss, or difference in taste/smell) please do not send them to the madrassah at all. They must self-isolate and follow the guidelines given by the government.



Parents will need to inform the teacher so that they can make contact and arrange for remotely delivering Lessons / Learning materials.

Remember even if there are others in the household who have symptoms, your child must also self-isolate.

Children and teachers will not be expected to wear masks in classrooms, (unless a parent wishes for their child to wear one due to some underlying illness). Once they are in the class, this will be their social bubble. Each class will be in a bubble group and will not mix with other students and staff outside of their bubble. This is extremely important.

There will be signage and posters in every classroom, wudhu khana and designated entry/exit points to ensure the key messages are always visible.

5.0 Message to our Children

You have all been extremely missed and we are really looking forward to seeing you all again. To help the madrasah and to keep you safe, please can you do your best to do the following:

- ✚ Use the toilet before coming to the madrasah (emergency use of the toilet facilities will be available)
- ✚ Do wudhu at home (emergency use of the wudhu facilities will be available)
- ✚ Remember to bring and take home; your own Quran and Kitabs and not leave anything in the Madrassah
- ✚ Use the designated entry/exit point. If you must drop off your brother or sister that uses a different entry point, drop them off first and then make way to your entry point.
- ✚ Once you are in the madrassah, go straight to your classroom. You are not allowed to go to any other classrooms.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOUR

SMILING FACES BACK TO THE MADRASSAH!

Masjid-e-Salaam

Management Committee