



GARDEN COLLEGE

29th May 2020

Asalamu Alaykum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatu

Respected Parents & Guardians

Praise be to the Almighty, the Sustainer of the Universe. May Peace and Blessings of Allah SWT be upon our Beloved Prophet Muhammad (SAW), the Seal of the Prophets, His family and His companions, Ameen!

I pray that you have had a wonderful Eid and that you have seen the Eid messages to you from our staff and students on our YouTube Channel. We will continue to share with you the innovative teaching and learning practices that takes place in our school, In Sha Allah.

I urgently require your support with the following matters:

Student Uniform – Please ensure that your children are in their correct uniform every day.

Recess & Lunch snacks – it is imperative that your children have a healthy sandwich and fruit/yoghurt. Kindly refrain from giving them chips, sweets and other treats. A reminder too that we are a **NUT FREE school** as some of our students have severe allergies.

Bus and school fees – please attend to this at your earliest convenience as we rely on your support so that we can give your children the best opportunities possible.

Afternoon pick-up – we ask that you assist us in getting your children to you as promptly and safely as possible. **Please display the placard that we provide to you on your front windscreen.** Adhere to the **10kms** and follow the directive of the staff on duty. *Parents with students arriving by bus from Elizabeth Campus please do not arrive early as you cause congestion with our parking procedure.* The buses usually arrive after 3:40pm; I'll appreciate your support in picking up all your children at this time.

New Reading Initiative – as most of our students are here early and have a substantial amount of play time we have trialed a **20 minute reading block** commencing at **9:10am-9:30am**. It's only been a couple of days but staff and students are finding it quite promising and this initiative will support our students with their literacy. Whilst I am not changing the time officially as yet; I am encouraging parents to drop off your children by **9am** so that they don't miss out on getting individualized reading time with their teacher.

Emergency contact – we are experiencing difficulty getting hold of parents when their children are unwell. Please ensure that you update your details with us and that you take calls that come from our office; this is an Amaanat on you.

Parent Portal – please look out for an email from us next week which will guide you through the steps of installing an app on your phone that will give you instant access to our parent portal.

Jazak-Allah Khairun
Dr Ahdielah Edries