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Dear Parents,

Maktab Fees for Academic Year 2020/21

Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuhu

We pray that you are in the best of health and Iman.

We are writing to you to provide an update on Madrasah fees for the new academic year.

Alhumdulillah, our remote teaching and learning has been continuing successfully. As you are aware, towards the end of March onsite Madrasah classes were discontinued due to governmental advice regarding the current pandemic. In order to maintain a connection between pupils and their studies, we recommended at that time that pupils access free online lessons provided by our chosen curriculum provider.

Thereafter, during the summer holiday period, we offered distance learning via phone calls and also online lessons (followed by a two week break). Following the break, we have introduced online learning for all classes on every weekday. These online lessons are planned in a way which ensures our pupils are given sufficient individual time with a designated teacher. As a result, pupils are now receiving the same amount of individual time with their teachers – if not more – than before the lockdown period. At the same time, we recognise that remote learning is not the same as face-to-face learning.

This period has been an exceptionally challenging time for the Jamia and we thank parents for your continued understanding, cooperation, support and duas. We also recognise that it has been a difficult period for pupils, parents and their families. Our priority remains the health, safety and wellbeing of our pupils and staff. Looking ahead, we will introduce a number of health and safety measures to minimise and manage risks related to Covid-19. This may include investing in resources and reviewing staffing, class and timing arrangements.

Fees

Having regard to the aforementioned, details of Maktab fees are as follows:

- 1. No fees will be payable for the period April 2020 till end of September 2020.
- 2. Any overpaid fees for the above period will be carried forward (deducted from) to academic year 2020/21.
- 3. Any overdue fees for 2019/20 (up to March 2020 inclusive) must be paid by the end of September 2020.
- 4. There will be no increase in Maktab fees for 2020/21, remaining at £250.
- 5. Maktab fees must be paid monthly by standing order starting October 2020.

Please also note that due to the uncertainty around the pandemic, full fees for 2020/21 will be due even though lessons may be delivered remotely rather than onsite. To maximise pupils' time with a teacher, all groups are divided with a ratio of only 3-4 pupils to 1 teacher. These changes are temporary and updates will be provided as required.

Planning for Re-opening Onsite

We are currently assessing the situation in order to understand when we can resume onsite lessons safely. Our target is to do so in approximately 2 weeks time, but this is subject to change. It is possible that we will introduce a phased return, where for a short period of time lessons take place partly onsite and partly online.

In order for us to plan our reopening, we are asking parents to complete the attached forms and **return them to us by this Monday, 28th September 2020**. If the forms are not received by the deadline, we will have to plan our re-opening and future classes on the assumption that your child/ren will no longer be attending the Madrasah.

Contact Details

Finally, it is very important that parents keep the Jamia up-to-date with changes to contact details. If you haven't already done so, please urgently provide our admin team (info@jamia.co.uk) with a parental contact email address and/or updated contact details so we can maintain effective communication.

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