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Dear Parents,

Assalaamu Alaykum and Ramadhan mubarak.

It has been a strange but difficult 12 months for all of us. This period has tried and challenged us in many different ways. Adjustments and changes have had to be made to meet these tests and encounters. With Allah SWT's help and benevolence most of us have come through this ordeal adjusted to these new circumstances. May He keep us in his Grace, Ameen. Those who are no longer with us, may Allah SWT grant them place in Jannah and give their near and dear one's patience to bear their loss.

Our Schools have done a wonderful job in providing not only an effective, and a fully remote teaching and learning provision and service but, where the need arose, it has been combined with in-classroom, face-to-face teaching. It is our estimation, and it is supported by parent comments in response to the questionnaire sent to them, that this has been appreciated by them. The Trust, the schools (and the help of a few benevolent parents, may Allah SWT give them the reward due to them) have been able to provide some laptops and other service, wherever and whenever needed, beyond the scope of pure teaching and learning.

Throughout we have wanted to ensure that that our students do not suffer any disadvantage. This has however come at a cost. Our expenses for maintaining clean and disinfected premises and other Health & Safety related costs, as dictated by special guidelines brought about by Covid-19 pandemic, have increased enormously. This combined with additional provision needed for remote teaching, etc. has also added to the financial burden.

The Schools cannot meet these extra costs without increasing the school fees. Combined with the fact that there has been no increase in fees charged by the schools for the last two years, it has therefore become necessary to increase fees in each of our schools by £200.00 for the year starting from the new academic year, September 2021. This translates to less than £20 a month over a 12-month period.

The way we have all done things in the past has changed due to the pandemic. This change will in all likelihood be with us in the future. May Allah SWT make it easy for all of us. Ameen.

Wassalaamu Alaykum

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