



Eden Girls

5<sup>th</sup> Shawwal, 1443h – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Assalaamu Alaikum – ‘Peace be upon you’**

Dear Parents/Guardians

**RE: Change of School Day from September 2022**

I hope and pray that you and your family are well.

As you may be aware, the Government has announced all schools in England must open for at least 32½ hours a week for all students. At our school, we are currently open for 31 hours and 45 minutes each a week (8:15am till 3.15pm on Mondays till Thursdays and 8:15am till 12pm on Fridays). This obviously does not consider our extended day activities and interventions. The school will continue to deliver after school intervention and enrichment activities. We will, therefore, need to extend our school week by a minimum of 45 minutes to meet the statutory requirement. The change would take effect from September 2022.

We have considered a number of ways to meet the Government’s requirement and further improve the quality of teaching that we offer all students. A preferred option is included with this letter. We believe that the preferred option minimises any negative impact on our students participating in evening madrasah/after-school clubs, parents collecting children from other schools, and traffic caused by the closing time of nearby schools, whilst adding an additional taught lesson each week, and increasing the length of morning registration to allow an improved start to the day programme.

We are interested in your views on the proposed change. **If you have any views, please complete the enclosed form and return to the school’s reception by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

A copy of this letter, proposal, and the feedback form will be sent to you with your daughter on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May. It is also available from the school’s reception.

The final decision on the school timings will be communicated in June.

Thank you for your support and guidance – it is really appreciated.

Please continue to remember the school in your prayers.

Yours Faithfully

**Anand Patel**

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## Proposed Change

The following timings will apply from September 2022:

### Structure of the Day

Monday - Thursday		Friday	
8:15 – 8:40	Registration	8:15 – 8:25	Registration
8:40 – 9:40	Period 1	8:25 – 9:15	Period 1
9:40 – 11:00	Period 2 (Including Break)	9:15 – 10:30	Period 2 (Including Break)
11:00 – 12:00	Period 3	10:30 – 11:30	Period 3
12:00 – 1:30	Period 4 (Including Lunch)	11:30 – 12:15	Assembly/Surrah Khaf
1:30 – 2:30	Period 5		
2:30 – 3:30	Period 6		

The following considerations, as a result of the proposed changes, should be noted:

- This model will actually deliver a 33-hour school week.
- 1 hour 15 minutes of additional school opening time across the week.
- Extra time on Fridays allows an additional lesson.
- Monday to Thursday all lessons will be of equal length.
- After school intervention/enrichment sessions will normally run till 4:15pm
- No impact on traffic and times for other local schools.
- Latest lunch sitting for any year group will be 1pm
- No split lessons to accommodate lunchtimes for Years 8-11
- Afternoon School will include 2 periods



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## **Feedback on Proposal for School Timings**

Name (optional): .....

Relationship with school: .....

Please give your thoughts on the proposal and submit to the school's reception by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

<b>Things I like about the proposed change</b>	
<b>Things I do not like about the proposed change</b>	
<b>Other relevant things the school should consider</b>	