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Assalamualaikum wr. wb.

Dear parent/guardian of aLIVE students

Academic Year 2021 aLIVE Classes

May you and your family be in the best of health.

2 aLIVE lessons have shifted online via the aLIVE Home-Based Learning package since March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We deeply appreciate your support and partnership with *asatizah* over the past few months to ensure that Islamic learning continues for our children from home during this challenging period.

3 Face-to-face Kids aLIVE classes were piloted at 12 mosques in October and November 2020 to test out Safe Management Measures for aLIVE lessons at a smaller scale before refining it for implementation at other mosques and levels where possible.

4 Alhamdulillah, up to 100 persons are now allowed to participate in non-congregational prayer activities at mosques at any point of time. This applies to non-prayer activities at mosques such as aLIVE classes, *kuliah*s, solemnisation ceremonies and *jenazah* management activities. As such, mosques are preparing for the gradual resumption of aLIVE classes, taking into consideration other activities taking place at mosques and the prevailing national guidelines on safe resumption of activities at places of worship.

5 As the number of students in many aLIVE sessions exceed 100 pax, adjustments to the class duration and frequency of face-to-face learning will be required for most classes. Most aLIVE students will have the opportunity to attend classes at mosques on two to six weeks rotational basis starting Term 1 2021. The frequency of face-to-face lessons at mosques for each class may differ due to the varying classroom capacity and overall number of students per session in each mosque. During weeks when students are not scheduled to attend face-to-face classes, the aLIVE Home-Based Learning package will be used.

6 aLIVE mosque madrasahs will update parents/guardians of aLIVE students on the details of class resumption for Term 1 of 2021 soon. This includes details of the operational and administrative matters for Term 1 2020 lessons, including Safe Management Measures and class schedule matters.

7 Mosques will ensure that Safe Management Measures are in place to prevent any potential spread of COVID-19 when madrasah is in session. These measures include, but are not limited to the following:

- a. Good personal hygiene practices: Hand sanitisers will be made available in classrooms. Students will be reminded to wash hands with soap and water.
- b. Practise social responsibility: Wipe down of tables in classes after every session and wearing of face masks* at all times.
- c. Minimise intermingling: Fixed cluster or exam-style allocated seating for students. Breaks will be held in classrooms. Reporting times, breaks and dismissals will be staggered.

d. Safe distancing in classrooms and mosque spaces with fixed seating arrangement and no group activities which require close contact.

8 We seek your continued understanding and cooperation as we adapt to new modes of learning at mosques. We will review the aLIVE learning arrangements should there be changes to the guidelines on activities at mosques and update parents/guardians accordingly.

9 Should you have any feedback or concerns on the matter, you may contact us at info@muis.gov.sg. You may also contact the aLIVE Administrator at the mosque should you need further clarification on centre-specific practices.

Thank you and may Allah s.w.t. grants His blessings and protection to you and your family.

Wassalam,

Youth & Community Education Strategic Unit

*Note: The legal cut off age for children to wear masks is 6 years old and above. However, it is strongly encouraged for young children to continue to wear masks or face shields when they are in a group setting. Children who may not have the coordination necessary for the proper use of masks/face shields will be supervised.