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WEEKLY BRIEFING

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Dear Respected Parents and Carers,

Assalamualaikum wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakatu. We make du'a In-sha'Allāh this briefing reaches you all in good health and emaan.

# SECOND WEEK HAS ENDED

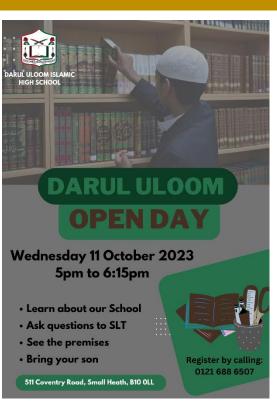
Alhamdulilah! We begin our third week expecting more from everybody – teachers, pupils and parents alike. Last week we sent out a homework rota to staff and to pupils, with the intention that staff give homework regularly, but with enough time for pupils to complete it. Regular reviews are essential to ensure pupils retain important information.

Help your son establish a routine for study to ensure daily reviews take place – they will need a table, a space without distractions and plenty of encouragement. Let us know if you have any questions about how best to make this work.

# SAFEGUARDING

Have you considered the risks your child faces in school, out of school and at home? Have you noticed any change in their behaviour? Talk to us about it – even if it seems small.

The wellbeing officer, Moulana Junaid and DSLs, Ustaadh Azmol, Moulana Shahidullah, Moulana Ibrahim, and Ustaadh Azharul are on hand to discuss any worries. Call us or simply email!



# **OPEN DAY**

On **Wednesday 11 October** we will hold an Open Day for prospective parents. The event will take place from **5pm to 6:30pm**, where we will explain how our school works and how we differ from others.

If you know anyone from friends and family who may be interested in sending their son to an Islamic school, let them know about us. Inform them of the date, and instruct them to contact us to register their interest.

# **CLUBS & BOOSTERS**

Football and Basketball club has started for both KS3 & KS4 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Football club is every Tuesday, and Basketball is on Thursdays, both 4:15pm to 5pm for KS3, and 5pm to 5:45pm for KS4.

Teachers are finalising the names of pupils who must attend English & Maths boosters. These boosters are to support pupils who may be falling behind to ensure they catch up with their peers – it is essential they attend.

Our KS4 boosters will be announced by next week, Insha'Allah.

# NASIHAH



Our head of Hifdh, Mufti Abdullah Al-Mamun delivered nasihah to all our pupils enlightening them about the virtues, status and importance of reciting the Holy Qur'an. An interactive session took place with pupils contributing their own thoughts and ideas. An extremely valuable lesson and reminder for all.

We pray this session benefitted our pupils immensely and they now strive to recite more of the Noble Qur'an.

May Allah 4 bless our scholars and teachers, Mufti Abdullah, the staff and pupils, and give them all jazaa/khair in this world and the hereafter.

#### КНИТВАН

Our Year 10 pupil Abyad Pasha delivered an informative khutbah on Friday talking about the characteristics of our beloved Prophet . His speech was concise, direct and strong instructing all pupils to emulate the messenger of Allah . to become the best versions of themselves, and the best servants of Allah .

The adhaan was also beautifully recited by our Year 10 pupil Umar Chowdhury, Alhamdulilah.

May Allah 4 reward them both in abundance, make them great scholars and da'ees and guide all of us to the straight path, Ameen.









#### SABAQ PROGRAM

Our Sabaq inauguration program on Sunday was very well attended, Alhamdulilah. Unfortunately, many of our pupils missed out on this blessed gathering – we do expect more to attend in future events.

During the program, we had beautiful Qur'an recitals, wonderful nasheeds and breath-taking speeches. Our special guest, Shaykh Salim Nawab was awe-inspiring, sharing snippets of his vast ilm and delivering an enjoyable, yet extremely significant lecture regarding the first Hadith of Mishkaat, which was read out fluently by our Jamiah student. All those who attended the event ended the day by enjoying some delicious food (including halwa) while sitting next to their friends and teachers, Alhamdulilah.



We pray our pupils become great scholars, Huffadh, and Qaris, spreading their knowledge, encouraging others to follow the Qur'an and Sunnah, spreading goodness and forbidding evil, Ameen.

## **STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION WINNERS**



The student council election speeches were amazing to hear, each being passionate and some choosing a bit of humour.

After the Year group classes listened to each candidate, they chose their favourite runner to best represent them. It was closely contested, but we now have ten new and eager student councillors,

Alhamdulilah. This year's student councillors are Ismail Mohammad, Hamza Islam, Sayid Karim, Cusman Iftin Mahamuud Masare, Yusuf Salim, Umar Chowdhury, Zuheyb Hassan, Habib Zaman and Bilaal Diriye.

The student councillors have already held a meeting, organising themselves and delegating one another tasks to start their roles strongly. They will be delivering a presentation to their peers this week, Insha'Allah.

We pray these remarkable pupils become strong leaders, outstanding speakers, and those upholding truth and justice for the sake of Allah 4, Ameen.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE FOR YEAR 10

Our Work Experience Scheme takes place on 4-8 March 2024 and will involve your son undertaking a one-week work experience placement.

We expect that every pupil will take part in this excellent opportunity to gain valuable employability skills, knowledge and a work reference for further studies / job applications. **Please assist your son to secure a great work placement!** 



#### **STUDENT PHOTOS**

Year 7 and pupils new to the school will be having their pictures taken on **Friday 22 September** for our HUB Mis. Please make sure they are wearing their full uniform, it is clean and ironed, fresh for the day of Jummah. These pictures are only for internal use, allowing us to identify pupils for progress reports, medical records and safeguarding. If parents are interested in having a copy of the picture for a small fee, please let us know as pictures will be taken with a professional camara and can be printed professionally.

#### **CAREERS MEETINGS**

Our Year 11 pupils are now meeting with the career's advisor discussing their future plans. It is such an important year for them, as it will shape the next steps and could either strengthen their drive towards their chosen and preferred field of study or make them rethink their options. Whatever the query, we are here to support our pupils. Speak to your son, find out their interests and encourage them to meet their careers advisor. Our careers advisor can help pupils with college applications which will be starting soon, so do not delay this vital conversation.

#### **CHARITY APPEAL**

The school has raised an amazing £350 for the Morocco and Libya charity appeal. The Jami Mosque and Islamic Centre have been given the funds to ensure it will reach the people through its affiliate charity.

We give our heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed

to this cause, may Allah 4 reward you all in abundance, JazakumUllahkhairan. May Allah 4 give Jannahtul Firdous to all who passed away in this tragedy and give their families sabr Jameel, Ameen.



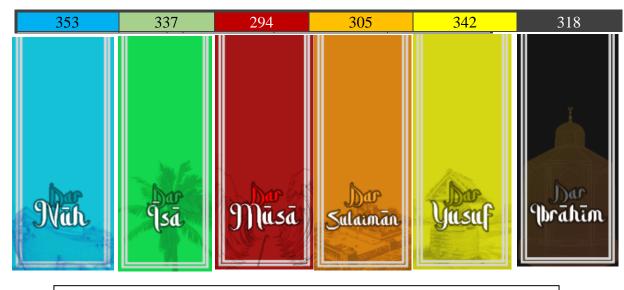
# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Culture Day – 28 September Wellbeing Week – 3-6 October Adhaan and Speech Competition – 9-10 October

## DAR UPDATE

After week two, the house points collated from hard work, effort, good manners etc are as follows. Dar Nuh have taken the lead followed by Dar Yusuf. Dar Isa are very closely following behind.

The other Dars were at the top but seem to have lost many points through their house having poor punctuality in the mornings. All Dars are advised to straighten up your houses by encourage strong attendance as well as punctuality, this should start to stop so many valuable points from leaking out!



Thank you for taking out some time to read our briefing – JazakumAllāhukhairan

