

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.

Please read about our eventful week full of learning, fun and personal development, Alhamdulillah.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE COMPETITION

Pupils began the first day of their third week with Adkhaar, followed by Qur'an and Islamic studies, Alhamdulillah. Monday afternoon, after two lessons, we held a superb general knowledge competition between our houses/Dars. This gave all the houses the opportunity to bag some valuable points, a key moment for our houses to try and secure the half-term win and get the lead.



Through this competition all pupils were able to better understand the world around them, as well as develop some educational life facts they may not come across in their typical lessons. We believe this competition supports the growth of our pupils into becoming well-rounded individuals, develops teamwork, creates a bond between house members and improves our pupils general key skills overall - it was also tonnes of fun!

After some fierce competition and rivalry, the winners of this competition were Dar Yusuf, with Dar Musa taking second place and Dar Isa finishing third. It was a successful competition enjoyed by all.

We are already looking forward to our upcoming competition next month, the annual adhaan and speech competition, starting 9 October, Insha'Allah.

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, Ustaadh Abir, 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 begin this week, Insha'Allah.



DARUL ULOOM ISLAMIC HIGH SCHOOL



DARUL ULOOM OPEN DAY

Wednesday 11 October 2023
5pm to 6:15pm

- Learn about our School
- Ask questions to SLT
- See the premises
- Bring your son

Register by calling:
0121 688 6507
or email us at:
contact@darululoom.org.uk

511 Coventry Road, Small Heath, B10 0LL

NASIHAH



Our head of Alimi, Moulana Dr Abdul Matin Al-Azhari delivered the weekly nasihah to all our pupils reminding them of the value and gift of time. He passionately explained the tafsir of Surah Al-Asr and instructed us all to take advantage of time by performing good deeds promptly.

The Shaikh also discussed the hadith of our beloved Prophet ﷺ,

"Take advantage of five before five: your youth before your old age, your health before your sickness, your wealth before your poverty, your free time before your busyness, and your life before your death."

We pray this session benefitted our pupils immensely and they now strive to make the most of the gift of time.

May Allah ﷻ bless our scholars and teachers, Moulana Dr Abdul Matin Al-Azhari, the staff and pupils, and give them all jazaa/khair in this world and the hereafter.

KHUTBAH



Our Jamiah pupil Abdullah Zafar delivered a powerful khutbah on Friday advising pupils to follow the Qur'an and Sunnah.

The adhaan was also beautifully recited by our Year 9 pupil Muhammad Yunus, Alhamdulillah.

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

SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS BEGIN



Alhamdulillah, this term Dr Khan has already started his science practical sessions focusing on physics. We planned our timetable this year to have double science lessons for all year groups, so they can enjoy learning about science theoretically and through experiments.

We pray our pupils can continue to improve their understanding of science and become strong scientists alongside becoming Huffadh and Alims, Insha'Allah.

STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTATION

The student councillors delivered their first whole school assembly and presentation, Alhamdulillah. It was engaging and beneficial, as they proudly reminded pupils how they all can be actively involved in the development of the school.

The student councillors, Ismail Mohammad, Hamza Islam, Sayid Karim, Cusman Iftin Mahamuud Masare, Yusuf Salim, Umar Chowdhury, Zuheyb Hassan, Habib Zaman and Bilaal Diriye introduced themselves to the school, explained their roles, went through changes led by previous councillors, received and answered many questions and ended the presentation by giving out their student council contact details. We cannot wait to see the ideas they will bring forth!



We pray these remarkable pupils become strong leaders, outstanding speakers, make lasting changes, are sources of dawah, and those who uphold truth and justice for the sake of Allah ﷻ, 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!**



CHARITY APPEAL

The appeal has reached an amazing amount of **£370** to support the vulnerable in Morocco and Libya.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Culture Day! Bring some traditional food to school and wear your own traditional items of clothing! This will take place on 28 September, Insha'Allah.

Wellbeing Week - our wellbeing officer will be arranging a wellbeing walk, inviting a visiting speaker and planning many activities to support wellness, from 3-6 October, Insha'Allah.

Our annual Adhaan and Speech Competition will take place from 9-10 October, Insha'Allah.

DAR UPDATE

After week three, the house points are as follows. Dar Yusuf are number one with Dar Nuh being a close second. Dar Ibrahim have third place, and Dar Musa are fourth. Dar Isa are not too far in fifth place and Dar Sulaiman are currently last. The points are very tight and movement up/down can take place very easily. Let us see how things will progress in the coming week!

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

