

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.

ASSESSMENT WEEK



Our third week in Term 1.2 ended with a reminder to all our pupils - prepare well for your end-of-term assessments! This week, the first four days will consist of exams for both Madrasah and National curriculum subjects. The results will be shared in our end-of-term progress report and can be discussed in our **Parent Day on Thursday 21 December**. Ensure you book this day off to see us, as we will begin at 8:30 am and end by 12:30 pm, and the format will be first come first serve.

NASIHAH

Wednesday's nasihah was delivered by our assistant head, Ustaadh Hasnain Ali. He spoke about the importance of brotherhood, and the Islamic teachings around this topic.

We pray our pupils can strengthen their brotherhood among themselves and with the Ummah. May Allah ﷻ bless our pupils, scholars, and teachers, our ulema, Ustaadh Hasnain Ali, the staff and our beloved pupils, and give them all jazaah/khair in this world and the hereafter.



SAFEGUARDING

Have you considered your child's risks 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 well-being 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 email us!

CLUBS & BOOSTERS

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

English & Maths boosters have restarted for both KS3 and KS4. Homework club continues every Wednesday from 4:30 pm until 6 pm for pupils struggling to complete homework regularly.

Reading club for KS3 pupils continues every Friday from 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm.

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 in securing a great work placement!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - VISIT TO THE GURDWARA

Year 7 pupils visited a local Gurdwara, a Sikh place of worship, as part of their Religious Education curriculum on Monday. The educational value of these visits lies in their practical, experiential learning opportunities that supplement our classroom teachings and promote respect for places of worship.

Pupils enhanced their knowledge, strengthened their own faith as well as developed their cultural awareness, interfaith understanding, and respect for diversity. We believe such visits always foster tolerance, bridge-building between faith groups, and encourage community cohesion.



KHUTBAH



Our Year 9 pupil Moutasim Billah Hossain delivered a powerful khutbah on Friday reminding all about the importance of being truthful. Our Year 7 pupil, Soheyb Jamil Ghama El Farsi wonderfully called the Adhaan, Masha'Allah, Allahumma Barik Lahuma.

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

CHARITY FUNDRAISER FOR PALESTINE

On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week, we would like to raise more funds for the people suffering in Palestine. Our last fundraiser totalled just over £800, and we would like to beat this target, Insha'Allah. We plan to sell cakes, samosas and drinks as well as have a non-uniform day on Friday.



May Allah Azzawajal ease the suffering of the Palestinians, give them strength to overcome their unimaginable pain and give all those deceased the highest ranks in Jannah, Ameen.

FIQH & SHAKSIYAAT COMPETITION

Our pupils took part in two competitions last week. Our Fiqh competition took place on Wednesday, where pupils answered many complicated Fiqh questions, based on the learning that has taken place this term. To make this competition exciting, we utilised Kahoot, a tech tool that promotes competition with learning.

All participants representing their Dars did well, but two pupils stood out from the rest, Wakil Rahman and Musa Phipps, gaining clear victory over the rest for Dar Esa, Masha'Allah, Allahumma Barik Lahuma.



Our Shaksiyaat competition took place on Thursday. The Dars were tested on their understanding of the great Sahabah (may Allah be pleased with them) and general Islamic knowledge. Working in their Dar teams of 4/5, this competition was a lot closer. The winning Dar kept up the pressure, and consistency throughout, coming back from behind to win. Well done to Dar Musa, represented by Abdul Hadi Javed, Abdullah Sulaiman, Abyad Pasha, Moutasim Billah Hossain, and Abdirahman Mohamoud Mohammed.



May Allah ﷻ bless our pupils, giving them high levels of knowledge and practice, making them strong leaders for our ummah, Ameen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fundraising for Palestine – 28 November to 1 December
 Homework Club – Wednesday
 Reading Club – Friday
 Non-uniform day – Friday 1 December



DAR UPDATE

All our Dar points will now be calculated per half-term – we have named this system the 'Diriye Table' after the idea was brought to us by Bilaal Diriye, intending to maintain a competitive spirit throughout the year. We have updated the points based on this system below. The top spot now is being held by Dar Ibrahim with a large lead, Masha'Allah. The other Dars have some work to do to catch up with just three weeks left!

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