

WEEKLY BRIEFING
27 MAY 2024 | 19 DHUL-QADAH 1445

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.

END OF TERM 3.1



It's hard to believe that we have already completed Term 3.1. With GCSE exams in full swing, KS3 assessments finished, and most of the school year behind us, we now look ahead to the final stretch. When we return, only 7 weeks remain, including a short break for Eid-ul-Adha. As we approach the end of the school year, we will be sending out a survey to gather your feedback. Our plans include an end-of-year Parent Day, a variety of activities and competitions, and our celebratory graduation ceremony, Insha'Allah.

Unfortunately, our school survey has been delayed due to technical issues and we aim to resolve it as soon as possible. JazakumULLahkhairan to all our parents for being patient with us.

We pray that Allah Azzawajal grants us a strong finish to the year, keeps all our pupils safe, and allows them to thrive, Ameen.

NASIHAH



Our pupils were blessed to receive invaluable words of wisdom from our new Hifdh and Tilawaat teacher, Moulana Furqan Ahmed. As a former pupil, a Hafidh, and an Alim, Moulana Furqan brings a wealth of knowledge and experience. He emphasised the profound importance of respect—respect for teachers, fellow pupils, and all things connected to Islam. Through inspiring examples from the Sahabah, Tabieen, Taba Tabieen, and other pious predecessors, he illustrated the timeless value of respect, encouraging our pupils to incorporate these principles into their lives, Insha'Allah.

May Allah Azzawajal shower His blessings on our scholars and teachers, and grant them eternal success in the hereafter, Ameen

ASTON HALL TRIP



Our Year 9 class finally enjoyed an eagerly awaited educational trip to Aston Hall, diving into Birmingham's rich history. Aston Hall, a Jacobean masterpiece built between 1618 and 1635 by Sir Thomas Holte, has stood proudly for over 400 years and is reputed to be one of the UK's most haunted buildings.

During the trip, pupils explored architectural wonders such as the Long Gallery and the great oak staircase, bearing scars from the English Civil War.

They learned about the origins and key figures of the Civil War, Sir Thomas Holte's ties to the Royalist cause, Charles I's visit in 1642, and the Parliamentary siege of 1643. The trip also covered the war's aftermath on the Holte family and the nation.

Pupils engaged deeply with history by dressing as key characters and Civil War soldiers, examining genuine artifacts, handling replicas, and reenacting battle tactics using replica pikes. The trip provided a vivid, hands-on learning experience that brought history to life.

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.

KHUTBAH

Our Year 8 pupil, Anas, delivered an outstanding Khutbah on 'The Importance of Controlling Anger,' Alhamdulillah. He eloquently reminded us of the virtues of patience, mercy, and self-control. Drawing from the life of our beloved Prophet ﷺ, Anas highlighted instances where anger was expected but mercy and patience prevailed, offering practical advice on managing anger. Additionally, our Year 7 pupil, Mustafa, recited the Adhaan beautifully, Masha'Allah.



May Allah ﷻ abundantly reward our pupils, granting them steadfastness in their worship, nurturing them into great scholars and da'ees, and guiding all of us along the straight path. Ameen.

GAS ENGINEER VISIT



We were very fortunate to have a Gas Engineer deliver an insightful careers talk last Monday. He provided a detailed overview of his job, the training and knowledge required, and the various specialist areas within the field. Our pupils eagerly engaged, asking about salaries and posing other imaginative questions.

Our guest was an exemplary ambassador for Deeni work, as he not only excels in his profession but also runs youth circles to educate young people about Islam and engage them in sports and activities to keep them off the streets. His talk demonstrated how one can earn a good living while supporting the ummah and being a daee.

We ask Allah Azzawajal to bless our guest speaker, brother Jamil Ahmed, and all our pupils. Ameen.

CHANGE OF SCHOOL OPENING HOURS

For the upcoming academic year, the school will begin the day at **8am**. This change, discussed during our last parent conference, is crucial for enhancing our safeguarding measures. The additional time for Key Stage 3 (KS3) will be allocated to form classes, longer assemblies, and extended lessons. Additionally, the school day for Key Stage 4 (KS4) will end slightly earlier allowing them to finish at 4:30pm. Our KS4 boosters can also become more beneficial, as instead of a 30-minute short session, it will last for 45 minutes-1 hour, achieving a great deal more.



This adjustment is part of our long-term strategy to achieve excellence in all areas of the school. We kindly ask for your support in making this transition smooth and effective.

May Allah Azzawajal assist us in our efforts to improve the school for the betterment of our pupils and community, Ameen.

**DARUL ULOOM
SUMMER
SCHOOL**

Monday-Thursday, (WK1) 22 July – 25 July,
(WK2) 29 July – 1 August, (WK3) 5-8 August,
(WK4) 12-15 August

Qur'an, Arabic, English & Maths

ONLY £145 FOR DU PUPILS &
£175 FOR NON-DU PUPILS

Register by contacting us on
0121 688 6507 or emailing us at
contact@darululoom.org.uk

BOYS ONLY (AGED 10-16)
LIMITED SPACES

Open 9:30am - 1:30pm

521-527 COVENTRY ROAD, B10 0LL

SUMMER SCHOOL

We invite all parents to enrol their children in our summer school. Do you want your child to make continued progress in their Hifdh, or further their studies in Arabic, English, and Maths instead of staying at home for six weeks? Our summer school offers the perfect opportunity for academic advancement while also enjoying socialising with peers and participating in sports like football, basketball, and cricket. Don't wait—register today as spaces are limited!

We plan to start our summer school from (W1) 22 July – 25 July, (W2) 29 July – 1 August, (W3) 5-8 August, (W4) 12-15 August, totalling four weeks, Monday-Thursday from **9:30am to 1:30pm**. There will be Hifdh, Arabic, English and Maths lessons throughout the week.

For the 4 weeks it is a cost of only £145 (for Darul Uloom pupils). For non-Darul Uloom pupils it will be at a cost of £175. Register your son before 14 June to secure a place.

CAREERS DAY 21 JUNE

Our Careers Day is scheduled, and we have some fantastic guests joining us, Insha'Allah. Maybe you can help too? If you can spare three hours on **Friday 21 June, from 10am to 1pm**, we would love for you to join us and be a part of this educational event.

We invite you to come and talk to our pupils about your profession, sharing insights about what you do, how you started your journey, and the steps pupils can take to follow a similar path. We are particularly interested in meeting individuals with exceptional careers—perhaps you know a hypnotist or a lion tamer!

If you can attend or know someone who can help, please inform our office and we will send an official invite, Insha'Allah.

DEBATE COMPETITION



Everyone loves a good debate, and our KS3 students did not disappoint! They showcased their impressive debating skills by tackling two provocative statements such as, 'English is not an important subject to study.' The dialogue was incredibly clever, with strong arguments and witty comebacks that left a lasting impression on all of us. It was a memorable event that we will cherish for years to come.

The winning Dar for debate number one was Dar Yusuf, represented by Kazi Sinan and for debate number two was by Dar Sulaiman, represented by Khalid Elmi. May Allah Subhanawatalah bless them all in abundance and make them strong leaders and scholars who benefit the ummah, Ameen.

YEAR 10 FOOTBALL MATCH

Year 10 faced a challenging rematch against Madinatul Uloom, a team they had previously defeated in Term 1.



Balancing GCSE studies and recent football competitions, our boys played valiantly but narrowly lost 2-1. Despite dominating the game and taking nearly twice as many shots, the other team maintained their composure and secured the victory. Congratulations to the visitors and all our pupils for displaying exemplary Muslim sportsmanship and respect.


YEAR 11 & HIFDH GRADUATION - BOOK THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!

All parents are requested to attend our end of year Hifdh and Year 11 graduation. It will be held in the Al-Mirage banqueting suite starting from 11:45am and ending at 1:45pm with a 3-course meal.


We give you this early notice so you can plan your work schedule and ensure your attendance. Book Wednesday 17 July morning and afternoon off so you can attend.

We plan to celebrate our pupil achievements, have excellent Qur'an recitals, beautiful Nasheeds and lots of fun.

Let us know you're coming by contacting our office, on **01216886507**. We would love to see you there, Insha'Allah



• DARUL ULOOM •
INVITES YOU TO OUR
**HIFDH
& YEAR 11
GRADUATION**



• WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 11:45AM - 1:45PM •

CELEBRATE WITH US. COME TO SEE PERFORMANCES,
AWARDS & A SPECIAL GUEST.
LUNCH WILL BE SERVED (2PM), AFTER ZUHR PRAYERS(1:45PM)

Al-Mirage Banqueting Suite, 11-29 Wordsworth Road, Birmingham, B10 0ED
Register your attendance
T: 0121 688 6507 E: contact@darululoom.org.uk

ALUMNI TOURNAMENT

Do you know any graduates from Darul Uloom? Tell them about our Alumni football tournament on **17 July** organised to keep our communities connected and celebrate being part of this school.

Let your friends and family know if they were part of the Darul Uloom in its long history. It will take place on **17 July** from 7pm – 9:30pm, Insha'Allah.

Register a team by calling/messaging: 07847597814 or emailing headteacher@darululoom.org.uk



Darul Uloom Alumni Football Tournament

Play 8-a-side against former pupils and a teacher team

Terms & Conditions

- *All players must be former pupils/school graduates
- *Your team must be from the same year group
- *You must register your team before 5 July 2024
- *We require 8 teams in total

Trophy and medals for the winners

Muntz St. Small Heath Leisure Centre, B10 9RX

Wednesday 17 July 2024 19:00 - 21:30

£120 per team

Outdoor Astro-turf

Register your team by -
Telephone: 07847 597 814
Email: headteacher@darululoom.org.uk

All money raised will go towards the school's new outdoor astro-turf project

HISTORY COMPETITION

Our history competition put our pupils' knowledge to the test, covering all the material they learned this year and a little more. The event was marked by fierce competition, with students displaying quick responses and sharp wit, making it an entertaining experience for all. The winning Dar for KS3 was Dar Ibrahim, represented by Sirat, Rafid and Mikail.

May Allah Subhanawatalah bless them all in abundance and make them strong leaders and scholars who benefit the ummah, Ameen.



FUNDRAISING WEEK

The school has undertaken an admirable initiative to establish an honours board celebrating the accomplishments of our esteemed Huffadh and Alims throughout the years. However, upon delving into the details, the projected cost of the project exceeded our initial estimations, totalling just over £2600. This amount encompasses the expenses associated with crafting the honour boards, which will proudly display the names of our distinguished past graduates.

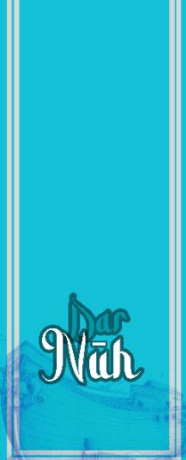



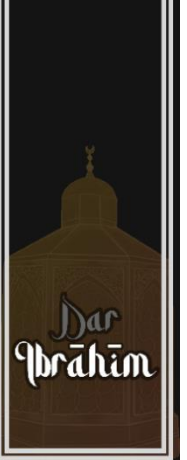
In order to materialise this endeavour, we are reaching out to our wider community, including former pupils, parents, staff, and local supporters. With collective effort and generosity, we are confident in our ability to achieve our goal, Insha'Allah.

With your support and contributions we have already raised £200, Alhamdulillah. Such an amazing start! We kindly request your participation in spreading the word among any former graduates you may know, urging them to join us in this noble cause.

May Allah Azzawajjal reward all our pupils, past and present, especially those who have dedicated themselves to becoming Huffadh and Alims, and who continue to contribute to the benefit of the ummah, Ameen.

END OF TERM 3.1 AWARDS & DAR WINNERS

The competitions were intense, sparking great curiosity about the final Dar scores. Every point mattered—let us emphasise that again—every point mattered! It was a close contest, but one Dar edged out the others, securing first place this term by just two points over Dar Ibrahim, who finished strong in second place. The winners for this term are Dar Nuh, Masha'Allah. Their victory reflects their consistency and resilience.

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During our celebration, we took the time to honour our top merit earners, and also acknowledge outstanding pupils for each subject chosen by their teachers. A massive well-done to all the pupils who achieved excellence this half-term, Allahumah Barik lahum.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteers Week: 10-14 June
Parent Conference: 14 June
Eidul Adha Holiday: 17-18 June
Careers Day: 21 June



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