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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, Alhamdulilāh.



RAMADHAN

We've crossed the midpoint of Ramadhan, subhan'Allah. Have we truly dedicated ourselves to our ibaadah and recitation of the Qur'an? Let's pause and acknowledge that Ramadhan is swiftly passing by.

As we move forward, let's make a concerted effort to make the most of the remaining days. Let's set our intentions to engage in itikaaf, diligently attend all prayers at the masjid, and generously contribute sadagah to various charities, aiding the ummah.

May Allah subhanawatalah accept all our ibaadah and righteous deeds during this sacred month. Ameen

RAMADHAN COMPETITION

On Wednesday, we hosted an exceptionally enriching Ramadhan event, offering our Dars an exciting opportunity to engage in friendly competition centred around their knowledge of the Holy Qur'an and Hadith. Moreover, our students delivered captivating Ramadhan-themed presentations, which included insightful tafsir of Qur'anic surahs.







We were blessed to hear the words of the Qur'an along with its meaning.

The event was enjoyed by all who attended. Both participants and spectators enthusiastically joined in, Masha'Allah.

NASIHAH



Last Wednesday, we were truly blessed to have our esteemed senior Alimi teacher, Moulana Junaid, deliver a profound reminder on the significance of Ramadan, Alhamdulillah. Our students gained invaluable insights as they reflected on ways to enhance themselves during the remaining days of this blessed month.

May Allah Azzawajal bestow His blessings upon our scholars and reward them abundantly, Ameen.

YEAR 7 & 8 QUR'AN WORKSHOP



Year 7 & 8 pupils were honoured to participate in a tailored Qur'an workshop led by Dr. Farag Zidan, an esteemed expert and professor in the department of Qiraa'aat at Al-Azhar University. With his wealth of knowledge, pupils received invaluable guidance to aid them in their journey of Hifdh and Tilawaat, Insha'Allah. Similarly, our Year 9, 10, and 11 pupils eagerly anticipate their personalised sessions this week, Insha'Allah.



We pray Allah Azzawajjal gives our pupils the ability to become excellent reciters and outstanding Huffadh, teaching others and leading the prayers all over the world, Ameen.







RAMADHAN REMINDERS



Pupils continue to produce exceptional Ramadhan reminder videos, Masha'Allah. This outreach to our stakeholders has garnered significant popularity, Alhamdulillah. Pupils are committed to producing these insightful snippets of advice until the conclusion of Ramadhan, Insha'Allah. Watch them, enjoy and share with others. May Allah bless and protect our young Daees, and may He grant them strength, guidance, and success in all their endeavours, Ameen.

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,

KHUTBAH

Our Year 10 pupil, Arham, delivered a great Khutbah on 'Important deeds in Ramadhan', Alhamdulillah. He articulately reminded us of the significant practices that can be done this month. This gave the audience encouragement to keep on track this Ramadhan. Our Year 9 pupil, Yunus recited the adhaan beautifully, Masha'Allah.

May Allah & 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.



IFTAAR WITH PUPILS

Last week, we had the pleasure of hosting a delightful iftar gathering, attended by 32 pupils and 10 of our dedicated staff members. Pupils engaged in various activities, including football, basketball, table tennis, and Islamic talks/board games, during the time between the end of the school day and Asr prayers. Witnessing the enthusiastic participation of so many pupils was truly heartwarming, and we concluded the gathering with our Maghrib prayers in the masjid. We hope to see all our pupils join in such events in the future, Insha'Allah.



May Allah Azzawajjal accept all of our fasting, prayers and ibaadah, and make it a means to enter us into paradise, Ameen.

JMIC CHARITY APPEAL

On Sunday, the Jami Mosque and Islamic Centre hosted a fundraiser to initiate renovations on the funeral area and masjid hall. Parents and pupils enthusiastically called in, attended, and generously donated, Alhamdulillah. This event presented an incredible opportunity to contribute to sadaqah jariyah. Our pupils played a pivotal role in emphasising the necessity for these improvements by creating a compelling video to rally the community, Masha'Allah.



We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the staff, parents, and pupils who participated in the event, and we pray that Allah Azzawajal accepts all our endeavours, Ameen. The masjid has estimated raising in excess of £50,000 from donations and pledges. However, this figure may change throughout Ramadhan, so we encourage everyone to continue donating and encouraging others to do the same.

NATIONAL QUR'AN COMPETITION



Alhamdulillah, we are delighted to share that we have exceptional Qur'an reciters among our pupils, even as young as Year 7. This is not merely our observation but a recognition echoed by experts in the field of Qur'an recitation! Recently, two of our pupils, Adiyaan and Abdulhamid, showcased their talents by reaching the finals of a prestigious Qur'an competition hosted by Masjid Amanah. They competed against experienced reciters, including young adults, and their remarkable performance fills us with immense pride. We pray for their continued progress and success, hoping they will return to such competitions in the future and emerge victorious, Insha'Allah.



RAMADHAN CHARITY CHALLENGE

This Ramadan, we kindly request your support in encouraging your son to take part in our charity initiative. We invite him to contribute just £1 each day to our JMIC charity box. By doing so, he will not only develop a habit of consistent good deeds but also multiply his rewards during this blessed month of Ramadan. Your support will greatly aid the JMIC in its charitable activities.

Each pupil received a charity box on Friday, and we sincerely hope for your enthusiastic support and participation in this noble cause. The donations will go towards supporting various projects at the Jami Mosque and Islamic Centre.

The Prophet was asked which fast was most virtuous after Ramadan?

He said: "Sha'ban in honour of Ramadhan". He was then asked: "Which charity is best?" He (saw) said: "Charity in Ramadhan."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Year 9/10/11 Qur'an Workshop: 26/27/28 March
Nasihah: 27 March
End of Term Assembly: 29 March
Ramadhan Holiday: 1-12 April
School reopens: 15 April

DAR SCORES UPDATE

After five weeks, here are the current standings for all the Dars: Dar Ibrahim holds the lead with just one point ahead of Dar Nuh and Dar Isa. Dar Sulaiman is also very close behind. With only this week left, the competition remains wide open – it's anybody's game.



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

