

Autumn Term 1: Edition 5

Friday 10th October 2025

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,



Alhamdulillah, we have come to the end of another wonderful week here at school. The children have had a joyful and productive time, engaging in their learning and enjoying the various activities provided throughout the week. It is always a pleasure to see their smiles and enthusiasm as they continue to grow and thrive, Masha'Allah.

As we settle into the autumn season, we kindly remind all parents and carers to ensure that children come to school wearing appropriate clothing for the weather. With the days becoming cooler and more unpredictable, please make sure your child has a suitable coat or jacket. It is also important that all children bring their water bottles daily to stay hydrated throughout the school day.



A gentle reminder:

We are very excited to be holding our **Autumn Fair** this **Saturday, 11th October 2025**, from **12:00 PM to 4:00 PM** at our **Bath Road branch**. It promises to be a fun-filled event for all the family, with a variety of activities for children including a bouncy castle and go-karting, insha'Allah. Delicious food will also be available for purchase on the day.

If you have not yet purchased your tickets, don't worry — **tickets will be available on the day** at the entrance. We encourage all families to attend and support the school and nursery. Your support makes a real difference, and we look forward to welcoming you all, insha'Allah.

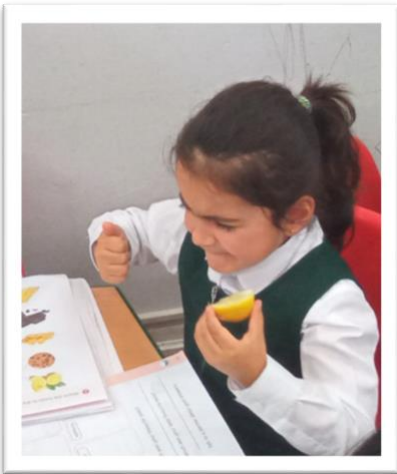
May Allah (SWT) continue to bless our children, families, and staff, and may He place barakah in all our efforts.



Warm Regards,
Sofia Nasir
Headteacher

What have we been doing this week?

This week, the **Reception** children have been learning about their five senses. They explored the sense of taste by trying different fruits and describing their flavours. To extend their learning, we challenged them to create their own Mr. Potato Head with all the facial features. The children showed great creativity and came up with some incredible designs!



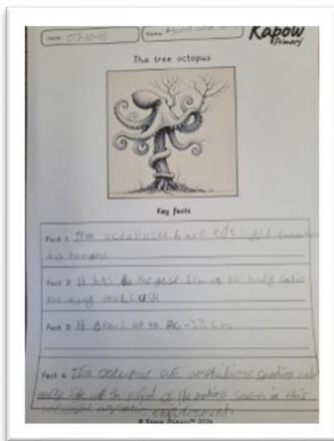
In Science **Year 1** have been learning about the five senses. We have already looked at sight and hearing, and today we focused on taste. We talked about how the tongue is used for tasting, and we learned about the five kinds of taste: sweet, salty, sour, bitter, and savoury. The children had different items of food to taste and determine which word they would use to describe it. They loved the salty crisp and many did not like the sour lemon at all!

This week in geography, **Year 2** have been learning about different features in the Arctic countries. In this lesson, we looked at igloos as one of the human-made features of the Arctic. The children then made their own igloos using different resources from the classroom, such as playdough and other materials.



This week in Science, **Year 3** have been diving into the fascinating world of animal skeletons! As part of their learning, they explored the differences between animals with skeletons on the inside – called vertebrates – and those without backbones, known as invertebrates. To bring their learning to life, the class took their investigation outdoors with a practical activity in the playground in identifying if they can spot any.

This week, **Year 4** explored narrative poetry through the work of Michael Rosen. They enjoyed watching his famous performance of *Chocolate Cake* and discussed the key features of performing a poem, such as voice, pitch, tone, facial expression, and body language. Afterwards, the children read another of his poems, *Chocolate*, and had great fun performing it themselves using all the skills of a performance poet!



This week in **Year 5** during computing lesson, the children learnt about misleading information online. We searched online for a website with information about 'The Octopus Tree' in which an octopus lives. The children read the website and wrote down 4 facts about the Octopus. They were then told that the website was not real and learnt about how to check if websites are real.

This week **Year 6** completed their roles as newspaper reporters. After analysing how newspaper reports are written, we wrote about the problems of rising sea- levels; an issue discussed in our class text: Floodland. We then stained paper to give it an authentic feel and are looking forward to writing our final articles! InshAllah!



Islamic Studies



This week in Islamic Studies lessons, our students have been learning about the Books of Allah that were revealed to the Prophets (peace be upon them all). We explored the message and purpose behind each divine book and discussed the importance of the Qur'an as the final and preserved revelation for all of humanity.

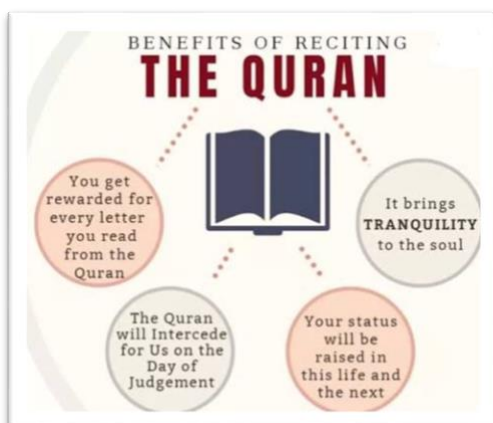
The children learnt that Allah sent guidance to mankind through His chosen Prophets. These messages were recorded in divine books, teaching people how to live righteous lives and stay close to Allah.

We covered the four main books mentioned in the Qur'an:

1. The Tawrah (Torah) – Revealed to Prophet Musa (Moses) عليه السلام
2. The Zabur (Psalms) – Revealed to Prophet Dawud (David) عليه السلام
3. The Injil (Gospel) – Revealed to Prophet 'Isa (Jesus) عليه السلام
4. The Qu'an - Revealed to Prophet Mohammad صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم

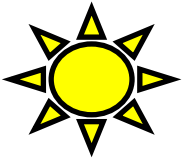


Moreover, we also discussed the incredible virtues and rewards of reciting and connecting with the Qur'an. The students were inspired by several beautiful Hadiths, including:

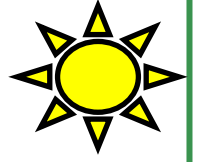


“Whoever, recites a letter from the Qur'an will receive a good deed, and each good deed is multiplied by ten.”

Furthermore, the students were reminded that even a small daily recitation brings them immense reward, blessings and closeness to Allah سبحانه و تعالى.



Hadith of the week



“A muslim is the brother of another Muslim. He neither oppresses him nor leaves him in evil hands” (Hadith)

We will NOT bully anyone or see anyone bullied

Reception: Yahya Kayani: for trying his best to recall the Hadith

Year 1: Khadija Khan: for always showing kindness towards others

Year 2: Maryam Jamil: for always being kind and respectful towards others

Year 3: Aadam Qadri: for coming to school with a smile

Year 4: Abdullah Ismail: for being kind to his peers and friends

Year 5: Haleema Yasir: for showing kindness to others in class

Year 6: Amira Nasir: for showing the Hadith and showing extra kindness towards her peers; especially on the playground



Stars of the week



Reception: Noor Abid: for working very hard in her lessons

Year 1: Hajirah Razzaque: for ensuring her handwriting is always neat

Year 2: Hoda Khalil: for working independently and trying her best in all her lessons

Year 3: Aaminah Asam: for working very hard in her writing this week

Year 4: Dua Fatima: for giving her best effort in all her subjects and producing excellent work

Year 5: Zakariya Mustafa: for excellent participation in lessons this week

Year 6: Fatima Shahid: for an outstanding effort in writing and producing a great newspaper article, Well Done!

Hifdh Stars of the week

Surah Al-Fajr

Uswa Awan

IMAM OF THE WEEK

Jazak Allah Khair to **Mikail Ridwan** and **Muhammad Ahmad** for their outstanding contributions during today's Jummah prayer. **Mikail** beautifully recited the Adhaan, and **Muhammad** led the congregation with sincerity and grace. Their efforts exemplify true dedication and serve as wonderful role models for their peers. May Allah reward them abundantly.



Upcoming Events

Term 1 (37 Days)

22 nd October	End of Term for Children
23 rd October	Inset Day 2
27 th – 31 st October	Half Term Holiday

