

Dar-ul-Madinah

An Islamic School System

Autumn 2: Edition 5

Friday 5th December 2025



This week in nursery, the children have been exploring the galaxy! They have shown great excitement and curiosity while learning about space, astronauts, rockets, and the planets that fill our solar system. To support their learning, the children took part in a variety of creative and hands-on activities:

Decorating Astronauts:

The children designed their very own astronauts, using colours, stickers, and different craft materials to personalise their space explorers. This activity encouraged them to think about what an astronaut wears and needs while travelling through space.

Rocket Making with Textured Paper:

Using a range of textured papers, the children made some fantastic rockets ready for blast-off! They explored rough, smooth, shiny, and bumpy materials while building their spacecraft, helping to develop their fine motor skills.

Playdough Planets:

The children enjoyed creating their own planets using playdough. Through this activity, they learned about the different sizes of planets and talked about which ones are hot and cold. They loved shaping, rolling, and comparing their planets.

Astronaut Helmet Craft:

The children also made their very own astronaut helmets. They decorated and assembled the helmets, imagining what it would be like to float in space. This activity supported imaginative play and helped them step into the role of real astronauts.

It has been so lovely to see the children so engaged and curious this week. They have been using fantastic language, working together, and showing a real love for stories and imagination. We are very proud of how confident they are becoming in their learning!



Arabic & Islamic Studies

Alhamdulillah, this week in Arabic Studies the children were introduced to a new colour in Arabic: **Black** – أسود. They also spent time revising the colours we have previously learned to help strengthen their understanding and pronunciation. These included: **White** – أبيض, **Green** – أخضر, **Blue** – أزرق, **Red** – أحمر, and **Yellow** – أصفر. The children enjoyed practicing these colours through various activities, helping them become more confident in recognising and using them in simple sentences.

In **Islamic Studies**, the children learned to say Bismillah before starting any good action and enjoyed singing the Arabic Alphabet nasheed. They practiced sunnahs for the home—saying Allahu Akbar when going upstairs, turning off lights, when leaving a room, and saying Bismillah when opening or closing doors. We focused on saying Allahu Akbar when moving to a higher place.

Term 2 (35 days)	
End of term for children	Friday 19 th December 2025
Holidays	22 nd December 2025– 2 nd January 2026

Reminders:

- Please ensure all clothing, bags, and bottles are clearly labelled.
- Please ensure that spare nappies, wipes, and spare clothing are provided at the beginning of the week in your child's bag.
- Please provide (if you have not already), £1 per week for snack or £7 for the term.
- For children who are three years old or approaching three, we kindly request that parents begin potty training. Developmentally, children should not be in nappies after the age of three.
- Please ensure the children have suitable clothing, footwear, gloves, hats ect as it will be colder in the coming months.

Jazak Allahu Khairan for your continued support and involvement in your children's learning journey.