

Autumn Term 2: Edition 5

Friday 5th December 2025

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,

Alhamdulilah, we come to the end of another joyful, enriching, and productive week at school. It has been truly uplifting to see our pupils arrive each morning with bright smiles, eager hearts, and a genuine commitment to their learning. Their excellent behaviour and positive attitudes continue to reflect the Islamic values we strive to nurture—respect, sincerity, compassion, and a deep love for seeking knowledge.



Throughout the week, it has been inspiring to witness our pupils growing in confidence, curiosity, and kindness. Whether in lessons, during play, or within enrichment opportunities, they have shown beautiful adab and a real enthusiasm for working together and supporting one another. We are immensely proud of how they contribute to the warm and caring atmosphere within our school community.

I would like to offer a heartfelt *JazakAllahu Khairan* to all our parents and carers for your continued support, encouragement, and cooperation. Your partnership is invaluable, and we are deeply grateful for the trust you place in us. May Allah ﷺ bless you and your families with peace, mercy, and abundant barakah. Wishing you all a restful and blessed weekend.



Warm Regards,
Sofia Nasir
Headteacher



What have we been doing this week?

This week, **Reception** have continued their exciting exploration of planets, building on the work they started earlier in the term. The children continued decorating their planets that they had painted previously. They carefully stuck on sequences, sprinkled glitter, and used a range of materials to bring their planets to life.

This week in Geography, **Year 1** went on a walk around our local area of Chalvey. We walked around and spotted many familiar places: a church, two hotels, shops, a school, houses, a petrol station and car washes, bus stops and we also saw zebra crossings. Through this walk, the children learned more about their local area and community. By seeing familiar landmarks they developed a better understanding of how their neighbourhood is organised and what places are around them.



This week in **Year 2**, we have been learning about materials and exploring whether they are natural or human-made. We also looked closely at the properties of different materials, such as whether they are hard, soft, bendy or waterproof. The children enjoyed investigating everyday objects around the classroom and identifying which materials they were made from.

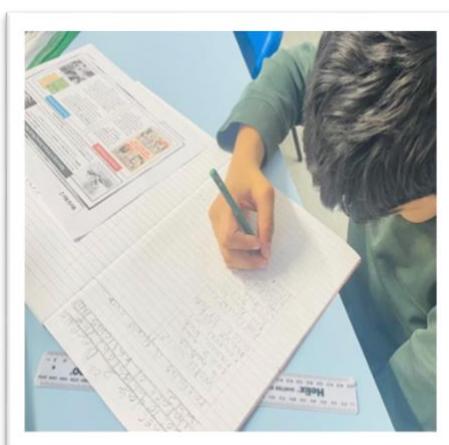
This week, the children in **Year 3** created bar graphs using the data they collected last week in Geography. After surveying adults in the local area about how they travel to work, the class used their findings to produce clear and accurate graphs that showed the different modes of transport. They worked brilliantly throughout the project and enjoyed seeing their research come to life.



In Science this week, **Year 4** explored the water cycle in a hands-on investigation. Each pupil designed their own mini water cycle using a ziplock bag. They carefully labelled the different stages: evaporation, condensation and precipitation, before adding water and taping the bags to our classroom windows. Over the next few days, the children will be able to observe how the sun helps water to evaporate, how droplets form, and how the cycle continues. Children also made the link to Islam where evaporation and condensation can be described as one of Allahs' signs that benefit creation. "And we send down from the sky pure water."



In Science, **Year 5** were studying about Planet Earth. We discussed how long it takes the Earth to go around the Sun. The children learnt about day and night. As part of the lesson children worked in pairs to observe how night and day occur around the world. We used a globe and torches to see when it is day and identify which countries have night.



This week in **Year 6**, we were exploring the concept of 'rationing' and how this was implemented and used during World War Two. We found that due to the shortage of supplies, people had limited resources; including food. We wrote a newspaper article about the reasons for rationing, how this impacted the civilians and helped people come together in order to make the most of things!

Islamic Studies

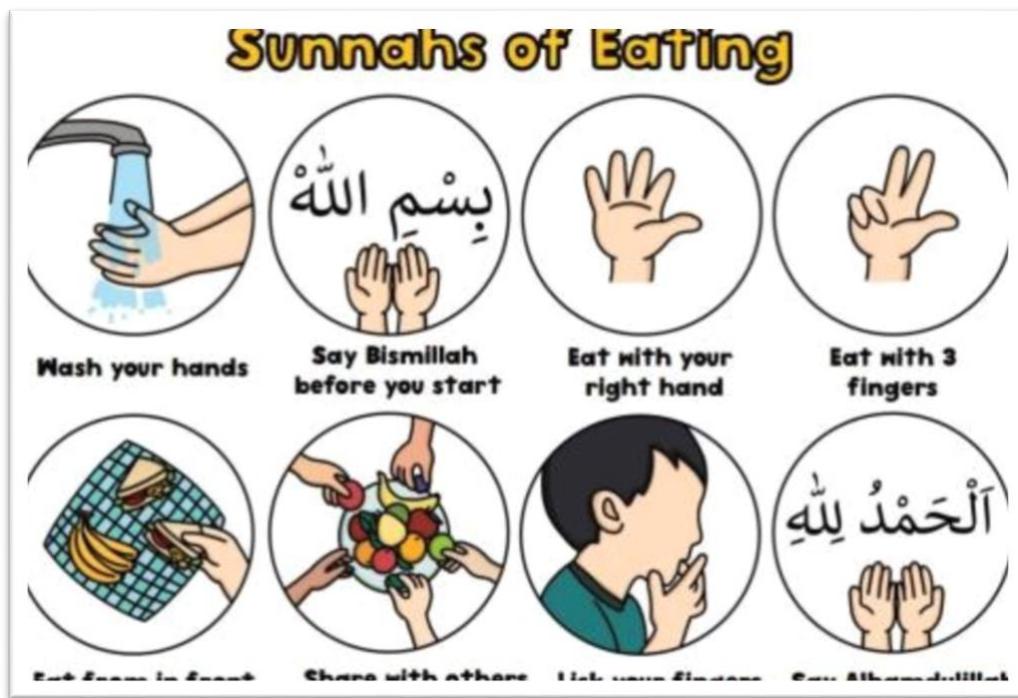


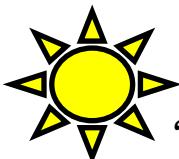
This week, in Islamic studies lessons, our children explored the inspiring stories of another two great Prophets, Prophet Isa عليه السلام and Prophet Yunus عليه السلام. We learned about Prophet Yunus's challenge of calling his people to Allah سبحانه و تعالى and how they rejected his message. His story reminded students of the power of sincere Dua, patience and always turning back to Allah سبحانه و تعالى.

Furthermore, through thoughtful discussions, the children also explored the spiritual journey of Prophet Isa عليه السلام, the miracles he was given and the challenges he faced when his people doubted his message. The children reflected on how trust in Allah سبحانه و تعالى, humility and compassion shine through his life and teachings.

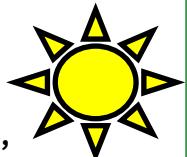


Lastly, the children actively participated in a role play activity in which they demonstrated the Sunnahs of eating and drinking, including beginning with Bismillah, using the right hand eating modestly and concluding with Alhamdulillah in a respectful and thoughtful manner.





Hadith of the week



“You must compare yourself to those who are lower than you, not at those who are higher than you.” (Hadith)

We should always be grateful for what we have and not look at what others have

Reception: **Hamza Attari:** for trying his best to recall the Hadith with his peers and teachers

Year 1: **Kainaat Zubair:** for displaying kind manners and kindness towards others

Year 2: **Yusuf Hanif:** for following the Hadith of the week and showing gratitude

Year 3: **Ishaan Ahmed:** for trying to recall the hadith of the week

Year 4: **Zaidullah Shareef:** for recalling the hadith and implementing it

Year 5: **Aaminah Shabir:** for always showing kindness to others

Year 6: **Omar Elnashar:** for showing his gratitude and being thankful for all he has



Stars of the week



Reception: **Zahra Munir:** for showing excellent exemplary behaviour to her peers

Year 1: **Amal Akhtar:** for working hard in her handwriting and ensuring it is neat

Year 2: **Anaya Khan:** for putting fantastic effort into all their work this week

Year 3: **Abdul-Rahman:** for working very hard in his English story writing

Year 4: **Ibraheem Khan:** for giving his best in all his lessons and producing good work

Year 5: **Haleema Yasir:** for always being helpful in the classroom

Year 6: **Uwais Hamid:** for reflecting on himself and working hard to turn things around – keep it up!

Hifdh Stars of the week

Surah Al-Humazah

Salahuddin Afzal

Mikail Ridwan

Zaid Ahmed

Fatima Afridi

Muhammad Ahmed

Aizah Rafiq

Safa Hashmi

Fatima Seitumerova

Safwaan Sohail

Surah Al-Feel

Aizah Rafiq

Mikail Ridwan

Zaid Ahmed

Fatima Afridi

Muhammad Ahmed

Surah Al-Quraysh

Safwaan Sohail

Mikail Ridwan

Surah Al-Qadr

Ruqayya Fatima

Hannah Razzaque

Noor Munib

IMAM OF THE WEEK

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



Upcoming Events

Term 2 (35 Days)

3 rd November	Inset Day 3
4 th November	Start of Term for Children
19 th December	End of Term for Children
22 nd Dec – 2 nd Jan	Winter Holidays

