

Autumn Term 2: Edition 6

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,

Alhamdulillah, we come to the end of another wonderfully productive week at school. As the term draws to a close, it has been heartening to reflect on how much the children have achieved. The pupils have worked incredibly hard throughout the entire term, showing dedication, resilience, and a genuine eagerness to learn. Throughout the week, the children have shown excellent focus and dedication, especially as they engaged in their assessments. We are immensely proud of the effort they have put in.



These assessments not only help us understand their progress but also allow them to reflect on their own learning and see how far they have come. We make du'a that Allah rewards their efforts, grants them continued success, and places Barakah in all of their studies and future endeavours, InshAllah.

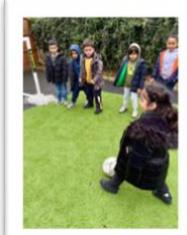
As the weather continues to get colder, we kindly remind all parents and carers to ensure children are dressed suitably for the weather. It is important that pupils come wearing warm jumpers, coats, and any additional layers they may need. Keeping warm helps them stay comfortable and focused throughout the school day, especially during outdoor play, PE sessions, and arrival times.



We would also like to express our heartfelt appreciation for your continued support and cooperation. JazakAllahu Khairan for always working alongside us with such dedication and understanding.

We pray that Allah blesses you and your families with good health, happiness, and tranquillity. Wishing you all a peaceful and restful weekend ahead.

Warm Regards,  
Sofia Nasir  
Headteacher



# What have we been doing this week?

This week **Reception** had such a lovely time baking banana bread with the children! They loved mashing the bananas, measuring out the ingredients, and watching the cake rise in the oven. While we baked, we also talked about healthy eating and how fruits like bananas give us energy, how whole ingredients help our bodies grow strong, and how treats can still be enjoyed when we make them in a balanced way. It was a fun way to make children learn about good food choices while creating something delicious together.



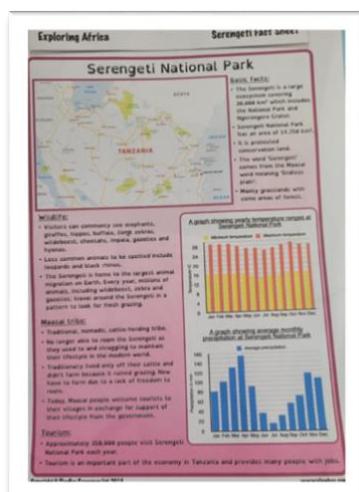
This week in **Year 1**, we have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes. The children had great fun recognising and naming the different shapes, and identifying the different features. We looked at everyday objects and discussed what shape they are, helping us to see shapes all around us! The children also enjoyed creating their own pictures and models using both 2D and 3D shapes.

This week, **Year 2** have been learning about both 2D and 3D shapes, exploring their properties in depth. They have been identifying and describing the number of sides, vertices and lines of symmetry in 2D shapes, as well as examining the faces, edges and vertices of common 3D shapes. This lesson, the children used nets to create their own 3D shapes, helping them understand how flat 2D surfaces fold together to form solid objects.



This week, **Year 3** have been learning all about *rocks*! The children explored different types of rocks and learned how to identify them by looking closely at their appearance, texture, and hardness. They examined real rock samples, compared their features, and discussed how each type might have formed. The class particularly enjoyed using simple tests and observation skills to sort rocks into groups. It's been an exciting, hands-on week of discovery!

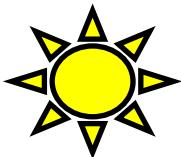
Over the past few weeks, **Year 4** have been exploring different types of moving books and the mechanisms that make them work, such as levers, pop-ups and flaps. The children also experimented with different fonts to use in their writing. Last week, they designed their very own moving books, and this week they have begun bringing their ideas to life! They are carefully using a range of mechanisms to make their books fun, interactive and exciting to read. Once completed, Year 4 will proudly share their finished books by reading them to the Nursery children. We can't wait to see the final results!



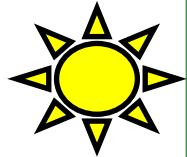
This week in Geography, **Year 5** have been learning about Tanzania. The children learnt about Serengeti National Park. We learnt about the different types of animals in Tanzania and why this national park is famous. The children began writing a travel guide for visitors to visit the park. They worked in pairs to identify the key facts and information and planned their ideas in their book. Next lesson, they will continue with their write-up, InshAllah.

This week **Year 6** put on their 'artistic aprons' and created their very own landscape masterpieces! Alhamdulillah, after learning many different techniques from tones, shades, patterns to collage they planned out their landscape and then used mixed media to finish them off. We are looking forward to displaying them in school for all to see soon- InshAllah!





## Hadith of the week



“Promote greeting amongst you.” (Hadith)

We should give Salaam as much as we can. When coming into school, the classroom and our home we should give Salaam.

**Reception:** **Hannah Din:** for always trying her best to recall the Hadith

**Year 1:** **Khadijah Hanif:** for always being the first one to give Salaam

**Year 2:** **Medina Fazil:** for consistently saying the full salaam

**Year 3:** **Fatima Gul Khan:** for giving Salaam every morning to her teacher

**Year 4:** **Dua Fatima:** for following the Hadith and always giving Salaam

**Year 5:** **Khadijah Khan:** for always giving Salaam to her teacher every morning

**Year 6:** **Safa Hashmi:** for upholding the hadith this week and actively greeting others with Salaam. Well Done!



## Stars of the week



**Reception:** **Zaynab Ahmed:** for settling in really well and making good choices

**Year 1:** **Taham Munir:** for working hard on his Science homework and creating a plane out of recycled machine

**Year 2:** **Yaseen Adeel:** for working incredibly hard in his tests this week and showing fantastic focus

**Year 3:** **Abdul-Muiz Awan:** for helping in the classroom

**Year 4:** **Safwaan Sohail:** for working incredibly hard in his assessments

**Year 5:** **Haleema Yasir:** for improvement in her Maths work this week

**Year 6:** **Ibraheem Ahmed:** for trying hard to follow self-set targets to positively impact his day!

## Hifdh Stars of the week

### Surah Al-Ghashiyah

Aaminah Choudhery  
Khadijah Khan  
Alaynah Mahmood  
Aaminah Shabir  
Zaidullah Shareef  
Fatima Shahid  
Fatimah Ismail  
Ayaan Yasin-Din  
Dawud Hussain

### Surah Al-Balad

Noor Din  
Ibraheem Ahmed  
Amira Nasir  
Soliman Alian  
Salma Abdinur  
Zaynab Munir

### Surah Al-Bayinah

Hoda Khalil  
  
**Surah Al-Qadr**  
Umar Zaman  
Yusuf Hanif  
Ruqayyah Nasir  
Ismael Ahzami

### Surah Asr

Safwaan Sohail  
Fatima Seitumerova  
Fatima Afridi  
Ayah Nur Afzal  
Zaid Ahmed  
Mikail Ridwan  
Muhammad Ahmed  
Aizah Rafiq  
Salahudeen Afzal  
Safa Hashmi

## IMAM OF THE WEEK

Jazak Allah Khair to **Yusuf Hanif** and **Muhammad Ahmed** for their outstanding contributions during today's Jummah prayer. **Yusuf** 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 (SWT) reward them abundantly.



## Upcoming Events



Term 2 (35 Days)	
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Inset Day 3
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Start of Term for Children
19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term for Children
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Winter Holidays