

Spring Term 1: Edition 1

Friday 9th January 2026

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,

Alhamdulillah, it has been a very positive and uplifting first week back, and we sincerely hope that you and your families enjoyed a restful and beneficial break. It has been a real pleasure welcoming the children back into school and seeing how smoothly they have settled into their routines. They have returned with enthusiasm, good manners, and a readiness to learn, which has made this first week especially rewarding for both staff and pupils.



The children have demonstrated excellent behaviour, cooperation, and respect for one another, reflecting the values we strive to nurture within our school community. It has been heart-warming to see them reconnect with their friends, engage positively in lessons, and approach their learning with confidence and curiosity. We ask Allah to place barakah in their efforts and to grant them continued success and growth throughout the term.



As the weather continues to become colder, we kindly remind parents and carers to ensure that children arrive at school dressed appropriately for the conditions. Warm coats, suitable footwear, and additional layers will help keep children comfortable and focused during the school day, particularly during outdoor times.



We are grateful for your ongoing support and partnership, which plays a vital role in your child's education and well-being. May Allah reward you for your efforts, protect our school community, and grant us all a productive and successful term ahead. We wish you and your families a peaceful, safe, and blessed weekend.

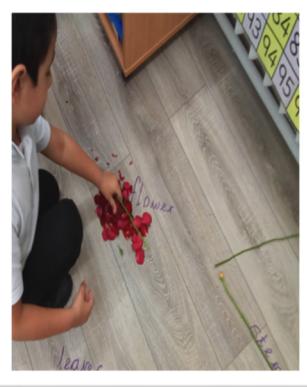


Warm Regards,
Sofia Nasir
Headteacher



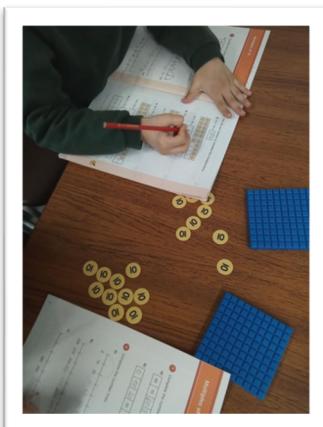
What have we been doing this week?

The **Reception** children have been exploring the story, *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*. They made their own sandwiches using a variety of spreads such as jam, cheese, and tuna. The children also engaged in role play, acting out the characters from the story and retelling events through imaginative play.



This week in **Year 1** we have been learning all about plants. We began our lesson by naming the different parts of a plant. The children then had the opportunity to look more closely at a rose, carefully separating it to see which parts they could find. They discovered that we couldn't see the roots, because roots grow underground and are usually removed from flowers we buy. After this, the children planted seeds in plant pots and we will be observing how the plant grows throughout the term.

This week in **Year 2**, the children started a new science topic on plants. They explored different types of plants, including herbs, fruits, and vegetables, and investigated the school environment to identify the plants around them. The children learned about the different parts of a plant.



This week, the **Year 3** children have been learning about multiplication. They have been practising finding calculated answers using different strategies and exploring how multiplication works. They have also been focusing on the 10 times table, building confidence and fluency through regular practice.

This week in English, **Year 4** started their new book *Journey*. As it is a wordless book, the children carefully explored the pictures and used them to create and tell their own stories. They really enjoyed putting words to the illustrations and sharing their ideas with their peers about what they think is happening in the story. Over the coming weeks, the children will continue developing this story and exploring the different features and details shown through the pictures.



In Science, **Year 5** we have been learning about global warming. We discussed climate change and how we can reduce our carbon footprint. Children worked in groups to sort out statement to show whether they increase global warming or reduce global warming.

This week, **Year 6** got started with their maths unit- Measurement- with a hands-on outdoor activity. We went into our local area and used a ruler to measure different objects. After recording the measurements we converted them between cm and mm. We are looking forward to more conversions involving mass and capacity!



Islamic Studies

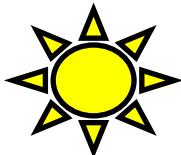
This week, our students explored the beautiful Islamic teachings of cleanliness (Tahārah) and its importance in our daily lives. We introduced the well-known Hadith reminding us that “Cleanliness is half of faith,” helping children understand how Islam encourages both physical and spiritual purity.



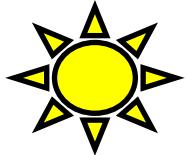
Moreover, Students also learned about Najasah (impurities), including its different types, with simple examples to help them recognize and avoid them in everyday situations. We also covered the basics of Wudu' and Ghusl, discussing when each is required and why they are essential acts of worship that prepare us for Salah and other acts of ibādah.

Furthermore, through discussions, visuals, and activities, children gained practical knowledge while strengthening their understanding of Islamic values.





Hadith of the week



“Rajab is the month of Allah, Sha’bān is my month and Ramadhān is the month of my Ummah” (Hadith)

The rewards of good deeds are multiplied many times more in this month

Reception: **Amyra Khan:** for trying her best to recall the previous Hadith of the week

Year 1: **Hajirah Razzaque:** for trying her best to recall the Hadith

Year 2: **Zabreen Rana:** for trying her his best and doing lots of zikr

Year 3: **Abdul-Muizz Awan:** for keeping 3 fasts for Rajab

Year 4: **Eimaan Adeel:** for following the Hadith of doing good deeds

Year 5: **Danish Khan:** for always being a kind and helpful member of the class

Year 6: **Abdullah Farooq:** for understanding and explaining the importance of this blessed month



Stars of the week



Reception: **Maymunah Bint Kamran:** for working really hard and making excellent progress in phonics

Year 1: **Sahaam Rana:** for his great writing in English

Year 2: **Aaminah Attariya:** for trying hard in all her lessons

Year 3: **Fatima Seitumerova:** for working hard in English

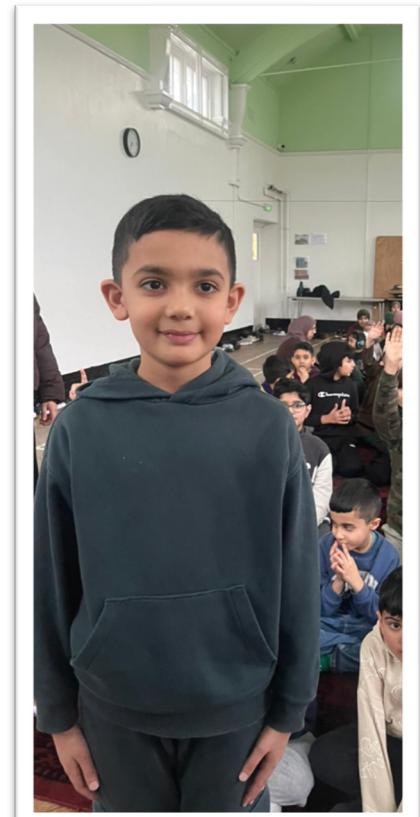
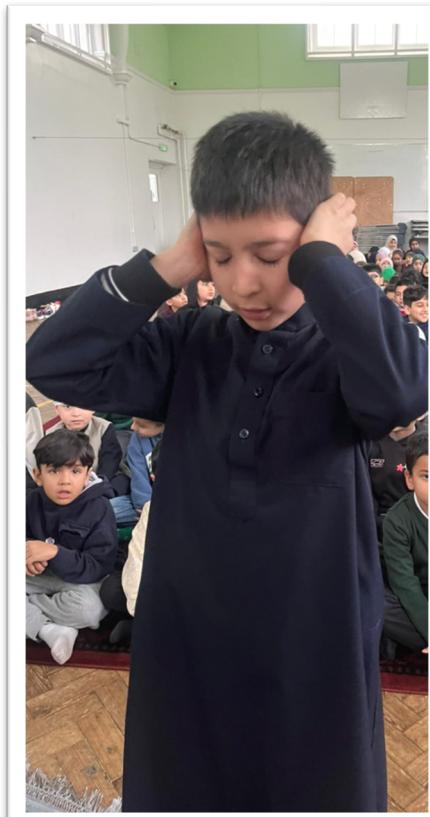
Year 4: **Hassan Razzaque:** for showing a fantastic attitude to learn by trying hard in all his work

Year 5: **Hannah Razzaque:** for trying hard to explain her Maths reasoning this week

Year 6: **Soliman Alian:** for being proactive in his learning and not giving up

IMAM OF THE WEEK

Jazak Allah Khair to **Ayub Abdinur** and **Salih Ahzami** and **Rayyan Mahmood** for their outstanding contributions during today's Jummah prayer. **Ayub and Salih** beautifully recited the Adhaan, and **Rayyan** led the congregation with sincerity and grace. Their efforts exemplify true dedication and serve as wonderful role models for their peers. May Allah subhan wa tallah reward them abundantly.



Upcoming Events

Term 1 (30 Days)	
Inset Day 4	5 th January 2026
Start of Term for Children	6 th January 2026
End of Term for Children	13 th January 2026
Half Term Holiday	16 th – 20 th February 2026
Inset Day 5	23 rd February 2026
Start of Term for Children	24 th February 2026

