

Spring Term 1: Edition

Friday 30th January 2026

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,

As we come to the end of another busy and productive week, we thank Allah ﷻ for His continued blessings upon our school community.



It has been wonderful to see our pupils engaging positively in their learning and striving to do their best throughout the week. The children have shown good manners, perseverance, and respect for one another, reflecting the Islamic values we aim to nurture both in school and beyond. We are very proud of their efforts and conduct.

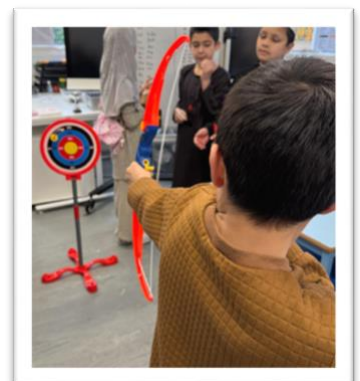
I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our staff team for their dedication and hard work. Their commitment to supporting each child with care and sincerity is greatly appreciated. I also thank parents and carers for your ongoing support and cooperation, which plays a vital role in your child's development.



As the weather has been colder and more unsettled recently, we kindly remind parents to ensure that children come to school wearing appropriate clothing, including warm coats and suitable footwear, so they remain comfortable during outdoor times.

We ask Allah ﷻ to place barakah in the efforts of our children, families, and staff, and to grant us continued success in the coming week. We wish you all a restful and blessed weekend.

Warm Regards,
Sofia Nasir
Headteacher



What have we been doing this week?

This week in **Reception** we have been continuing our learning about pattern in Reception. The children have been exploring repeating patterns using colours, shapes and objects, and have had lots of opportunities to spot patterns in the environment. They have practised copying, continuing and creating their own patterns through activities such as threading, printing, construction and outdoor play. The children showed great enthusiasm and are becoming more confident at talking about patterns and explaining what comes next.



This term in computing, **Year 1** have been learning all about rockets! We began by thinking about the things we need to make a rocket and typing our ideas into a list. We also looked at the importance of instructions and the steps needed to make the rocket, helping us think like real programmers. Next, we moved on to designing our rockets and labelling the different parts on Sketchpad. We are looking forward to launching them next week!

This week in **Year 2**, the children explored African art, looking at how patterns and colours are used to express culture and meaning. They looked at different examples of African artwork and discussed why patterns are so important. The children then created their own African-inspired sunset pictures, using warm colours and silhouettes to capture the style and atmosphere of African landscapes.



This week in PE, **Year 3** took part in football activities. The children practised dribbling, passing, and shooting, while learning how to work as a team and follow the rules of the game. Everyone joined in enthusiastically and showed great effort, teamwork, and positive attitudes throughout the lesson.

This week, **Year 4** investigated the volume of sound. In the playground, they used an alarm clock and a tape measure to explore whether sound gets louder or quieter as you move further away from the sound source. Before starting the investigation, the children made predictions about what they thought would happen. They were delighted to discover their predictions were correct, the further away you are from the sound source, the quieter the sound becomes!



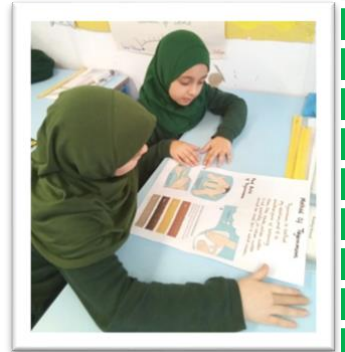
In Art, **Year 5** have been looking at vases. The children looked at various designs and planned their ideas. This week the children used modelling play dough to make their designs and make their vases. Next week the children will be using clay to make their vases.

This week **Year 6** began practising their sewing skills. We practised threading a needle and tying a knot to secure the thread. We then mastered the running stitch; paying attention to the length of each stitch. The cross stitch was a challenge but very useful when sewed a button. We are now excited to start creating our design next week!



Islamic Studies

This week in Islamic Studies, we focused on the topic of Islamic purification, specifically learning about Ghusl and Tayammum. They were introduced to the purpose and importance of these acts of cleanliness in Islam and discussed situations in which each is required. The lesson covered an overview of the Fard (obligatory), Sunnah (recommended), and Makruh (disliked) actions related to both Ghusl and Tayammum, helping them understand the different levels of rulings in Islamic practice.



The children were actively engaged throughout the lessons through discussions, demonstrations, and guided practice activities appropriate to their age level. They showed enthusiasm by asking thoughtful questions and participating in group tasks, which helped reinforce their understanding of how purification connects to daily worship and personal responsibility in Islam.

Furthermore, in Dua of the week, the children learnt the Duas of entering and exiting the Masjid along with the Sunnah and manners.

When Entering The MASJID

اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

O Allah, open the gates of
Your mercy for me.

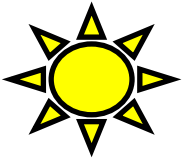
(Muslim : 713)

When Leaving The MASJID

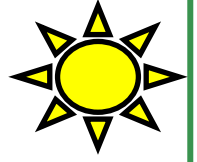
اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ فَضْلِكَ

O Allah, I ask You from Your favor.

(Abu Dawud Nolf : 465)



Hadith of the week



“The beloved Rasool ﷺ said:

Whoever recites Salaat upon me once; Allah ﷻ sends ten miracles upon him and writes ten virtuous deeds in his book of deeds.” (Hadith)

We should recite Salawaat in abundance on the Beloved Prophet

Reception: Inaya Shamraiz: for trying her best to recall the Hadith

Year 1: Ayesha Syed: for reciting salawat in class

Year 2: Fatimah Ismail: for doing lots of zikr and for acting upon the hadith of the week

Year 3: Fatima Gul Khan: for being a role model and taking part in regular zikr

Year 4: Abdullah Ismail: for reciting salawat in abundance

Year 5: Alaynah Mahmood: for remembering to follow the hadith this week

Year 6: Ibrahim Baksh: for following the Hadith this week and proactively reciting Salawat on our beloved Prophet



Stars of the week



Reception: Aania Imran: for working really hard in Maths

Year 1: Musa Zaib: for showing great dedication in his work and working hard to improve his writing

Year 2: Yusuf Hanif: for working independently and always challenging himself in Maths

Year 3: Aadam Qadri: for taking pride in his work and completing it to a high standard

Year 4: Khadijah Zaib: for writing a detailed and exciting story in English

Year 5: Zakariya Mustafa: for excellent effort in his Maths work this week

Year 6: Omar Elnashar: for working really hard to improve his handwriting

IMAM OF THE WEEK

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



Upcoming Events

Term 3 (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

