

Summer Term 1: Edition 4

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents, Guardians and Darul Madinah Family,

Alhamdulillah, we have come to the end of another positive and productive week at school. It has been truly pleasing to see our children engaged in their learning, demonstrating good manners, respect, and a strong effort in all that they do. May Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى continue to place barakah in their knowledge and efforts.



A special highlight this week was the trip to the Natural History Museum for our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils. The children were a credit to the school, displaying excellent behaviour and curiosity as they explored and reflected upon the signs Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى's creation. Experiences such as these help to strengthen both their understanding of the world and their appreciation of the greatness of Allah سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى.

As the weather begins to get warmer, we kindly remind parents to ensure that children bring a water bottle to school each day. Staying hydrated is important for their wellbeing and ability to focus throughout the day.



Jazakum Allahu Khayran for your continued support and cooperation.

Warm Regards,  
Sofia Nasir  
Headteacher



## What have we been doing this week?

The **Reception** children went outside to practise their Maths skills by carrying out a tally survey. They carefully watched the road and used a chart to record how many different coloured cars they could see, such as red, blue, white, and black. The children then extended their learning by tallying the different types of transport that passed by, including cars, buses, bicycles, and vans. They were excited to compare their results afterwards and talked about which colours and types of transport were the most common.



As the weather is getting warmer, **Year 1** are really enjoying going outside at playtime and lunchtime and making the most of the sunshine. They are also enjoying relaxing with a book in the fresh air, taking the opportunity to sit peacefully and share stories with their friends. They have also really liked our new reading area set up, which has quickly become a favourite space for them to enjoy a quiet moment with a good book.

In **Year 2** this week, the children have been writing their own five-part stories inspired by We're Going on a Lion Hunt. They have carefully planned each section of their stories, using onomatopoeia and descriptive adjectives to bring their writing to life.



This week in Science, **Year 3** conducted a shadow experiment. They explored how the distance between a light source and an object affects the size of the shadow. The children found the investigation highly engaging and were able to share their results confidently during class discussions, offering thoughtful insights into their findings collectively.

**Year 4** enjoyed going into the local area to identify vertebrates, invertebrates, flowering plants and non-flowering plants. The children loved exploring their surroundings and were particularly excited to observe a variety of flowers and animals. They spotted many flowering plants, which was a lovely contrast to their previous visit in the autumn term when fewer flowers were in bloom. The children also observed squirrels and butterflies during their exploration. When they returned to the classroom, they carefully recorded their findings. In the next lesson, they will be comparing this data with what they observed in the autumn term and will continue this work into the spring term.



**Year 5** had a wonderful time at The Natural History Museum. As part of their Science learning on 'Life Cycles' the children enjoyed looking at fossils of mammals, reptiles and other animals. The children took part in a Pond Dipping workshop and were able to see tadpoles and beetles and other insects and investigate what food do pond animals eat? Children then looked around the museum and were so excited to see an earthquake example as well as many other wonderful exhibits. Overall, the children learnt so much and had a wonderful day!



This week **Year 6** took their Maths learning outside. After learning the formulae for perimeter, area and volume, we found objects in the playground to measure. We used our rulers to carefully measure the sides before calculating the area and volume; some objects were trickier than others!

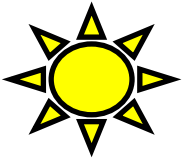
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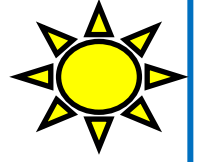
This week in Islamic Studies, students have been learning about the essential components of Salah (prayer), focusing on both the preconditions and the Fard (obligatory) acts. Understanding these elements helps students appreciate the structure and discipline of Salah and the importance of fulfilling each part correctly according to its requirements.

We also discussed the virtues of congregational Salah and its rulings, including the importance of following the Imam, maintaining straight rows, and avoiding actions that disrupt unity, such as moving ahead of the Imam or breaking the lines. Students were reminded that praying in congregation holds greater reward and strengthens community bonds, while also requiring attentiveness and respect for proper conduct.





## Hadith of the Week



“None of you should drink while standing.” (Hadith)

We should always sit down while drinking as this is Sunnah

**Reception: Yahya Kayani:** for trying his best to recall the Hadith

**Year 1: Khadija Khan:** for always remembering to sit down and drink water

**Year 2: Aaminah Attariya:** for following the sunnah of drinking water

**Year 3: Fatima Afridi:** for following the sunnah of drinking water

**Year 4: Dua Fatima:** for always making sure she is sitting down whilst drinking her water

**Year 5: Salahudeen Afzal:** for remembering to follow the sunnah of sitting down to drink water

**Year 6: Uwais Hamid:** for following the Hadith this week and remembering to sit whilst drinking water



## Stars of the Week



**Reception: Maymunah Bint Kamran:** for her excellent listening skills this week

**Year 1: Yahya Shabir:** for showing great effort and enthusiasm towards learning

**Year 2: Fatimah Ismail:** for following instructions and golden rules

**Year 3: Fatima Gul Khan:** for being proactive and always contributing in class discussions

**Year 4: Hafsa Hussain:** for her fantastic effort and determination in Maths

**Year 5: Uswa Awan:** for excellent behaviour on the trip and remembering to say please and thank you to others

**Year 6: Fatima Shahid:** for writing an imaginative adventure story, following “The Hero’s Journey” story structure

## Hifdh Stars of the Week

### Surah Al-Zalzalah

Yahya Shabir  
Taham Munir  
Sumayah Ahmed  
Saham Rana  
Musa Zaib  
Khadijah Khan  
Khadijah Hanif  
Kainaat Zubair  
Hajirah Razzaque  
Humna Amir

Hadiya Rubab  
Ayesha Syed  
Ameera Syed  
Amaya Shahnwaz  
Abdul Rahman  
Ahmadzai  
Amal Akhtar

### Surah At-Tariq

Abdullah Qayyum  
Talha Khan  
Adam Ramadan  
Uswa Awan  
Ayaan Yasin Din  
Fatimah Ismail  
Fatima Shahid

### Surah Al-Tin

Yusuf Hanif  
Hassan Razzaque  
Eesa Ahmed  
Ismael Ahzami  
Noor Munib  
Haidar Hussain  
Anaya Khan  
Ruqayya Fatima

## IMAM OF THE WEEK

Jazak Allah Khair to **Yahya Ali** and **Safwaan Sohail** for their outstanding contributions during today's Jummah prayer. **Yahya** 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 **سُبْحَانَهُ وَتَعَالَى** reward them abundantly.



## Upcoming Events

### Term 5 (42 Days)

30 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Inset Day 6
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2026	Start of Term for Children
4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Bank Holiday
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	End of Term for Children
25 <sup>th</sup> May – 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term Holiday
1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Inset Day 7
2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	Start of Term for Children

