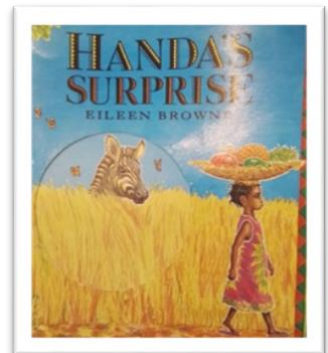


# Dar-ul-Madinah

An Islamic School System

Spring Term 1: Edition 6

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026



This week, we continued exploring our story “Handa’s Surprise,” linking many of our activities to the different fruits in the story and building on the children’s understanding through hands-on learning experiences.

As part of our story learning, the children enjoyed fruit taste testing. They explored different fruits using their senses, describing the taste, texture and smell. Afterwards, they worked together to make a delicious fruit salad, encouraging teamwork and healthy eating discussions.



Inspired by *Handa’s Surprise*, the children also made their own individual baskets of different fruits. They selected and arranged their fruits carefully, developing their fine motor skills and creativity.

In phonics, we learned the letters C and K. The children practised saying the sounds and identifying words that begin with these letters, building their early reading skills.



In Maths, the children focused on counting. They practised counting objects carefully, using one-to-one correspondence, and building confidence with their number recognition skills.



## Arabic & Islamic Studies

In Arabic, the children learned the letter Yaa (ي). They practised saying the sound clearly and worked hard on forming and writing the letter correctly. We also identified words that begin with Yaa to help reinforce their learning.



### Spring Term 2026

Term 3 (30 days)	
Inset Day 4	Monday 5th January 2026
<b>Start of Term for Children</b>	Tuesday 6th January 2026
End of term for Children	Friday 13th February 2026
February Half Term Holidays	Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February 2026
Term 4 (12 days)	
Inset Day 5	Monday 23rd February 2026
<b>Start of Term for Children</b>	Tuesday 24th February 2026
End of Term for Children	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Ramadhan Holidays	Monday 16th March – Friday 27th March 2026

#### Reminders:

- Please ensure all clothing, bags, and bottles are clearly labelled.
- Please ensure that spare nappies, wipes, and spare clothing are provided at the beginning of the week in your child's bag.
- Please provide (if you have not already), £1 per week for snack or £7 for the term
- For children who are three years old or approaching three, we kindly request that during the half-term holidays, parents begin potty training. Developmentally, children should not be in nappies after the age of three.
- Please ensure the children have suitable clothing, footwear, gloves, hats etc as it will be colder in the coming months

**Jazakum Allahu Khairan** for your continued support and involvement in your children's learning journey.