

**WEEKLY BRIEFING**

**11 NOVEMBER 2024 | 10 JAMADAH AL-ULA 1446**

Assalamualaikum wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakatu. We make du'a In-sha'Allāh this briefing reaches you all in good health and emaan.

**WE ARE BACK!**



On our first day, our respected senior ulema and head of the madrasah, Moulana Dr. Abdul Matin Al-Azhari, reminded us to renew our intentions and express heartfelt gratitude to Allah Azzawajjal. He encouraged us to appreciate the immense blessing of being in a special place—a masjid, madrasah, and school—where we have the privilege to recite the Quran daily, pray in jamaat, and deepen our understanding of the life and teachings of the final messenger, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ.

We listened to a beautiful hadith, where the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ advised:

*“Take benefit of five before five: Your youth before your old age, your health before your sickness, your wealth before your poverty, your free time before you are preoccupied, and your life before your death”*

As we enter the second half of the term, we are encouraged by the great reminders to reflect on how we can make the most of our time and fully appreciate each moment. We ask Allah Azzawajjal to put barakah in our time.

We ask all of you to support your sons to ensure that they sleep early, pray fajr on time, and recite some Quran before coming to school daily. Then, every weekend, encourage a study routine that includes reciting the Quran, reading for pleasure, and completing their homework. For KS4, start revising for their GCSEs.

May Allah Azzawajjal accept the efforts of the pupils, parents, and teachers, and may He grant success to everyone involved in this honourable pursuit of knowledge and guidance. May He grant tawfeek to all, enabling the school to be a place of growth, understanding, and success in this world and the next, Ameen.

## Work Experience Scheme: 24th-26th February 2025

We are pleased to announce that our Work Experience Scheme will take place from **24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025**. During this time, your son will participate in a three-day work experience placement away from the school.



This is a fantastic opportunity for every pupil to develop valuable employability skills, gain practical knowledge, and secure a work reference that will be invaluable for future studies or job applications. We strongly encourage all pupils to take part in this experience.

Please support your son in finding a meaningful work placement that aligns with his interests and aspirations.

### SAFEGUARDING

Have you considered the risks your child faces in school, out of school and at home? Have you noticed any change in their behaviour? Talk to us about it – even if it seems small.

The wellbeing officer, Moulana Junaid and DSLs, Ustaadh Azmol, Moulana Shahidullah, Moulana Abir, Moulana Ibrahim, and Ustaadh Azharul are on hand to discuss any worries.

Call us or simply email!

### TEACHER TRAINING

The teachers recently attended an INSET day at the Land of Learning School in Leicester, dedicated to professional development and aimed at enhancing teaching effectiveness across all subject areas. The day was thoughtfully organised with tailored sessions to address the distinct needs of each teaching group. Madrasah teachers took part in CPD (Continuing Professional Development) sessions designed to deepen their subject knowledge and refine their teaching practices, exploring innovative approaches to delivering engaging Islamic Studies lessons. Meanwhile, national curriculum staff participated in specialised training focused on strategies for raising student achievement.

These focused sessions allowed teachers to explore best practices, discuss contemporary methodologies relevant to their roles, and collaborate with peers, exchanging effective techniques for engaging students more meaningfully. By investing in their own growth and gaining valuable insights from this experience, the teachers returned equipped with fresh strategies to enrich the educational experience for all students.



## SEERAH COMPETITION

This is a chance for students to express their love and admiration, to reflect on the character and teachings of our Prophet ﷺ, and to grow in both knowledge and connection. Let's encourage them to give their best effort to this meaningful project.

The deadline for submission is 30 November. Don't miss out on this beautiful chance to honour the Prophet ﷺ



**SEERAH ESSAY  
COMPETITION**

**GROUPS** Topic: Any life event of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)  
Junior: 9-13, Youth: 14-18  
(Boys & Girls living in West Midlands)

**AWARDS & RULES**

- Top 3-Prizes (Desktop, Smart Phone, Tablet)
- All Certificate
- Others- Medals
- No ChatGPT
- No Copying
- Written by Hand
- Quotes from Quran-Hadith
- Short assessment will be held for shortlisted
- Mention your DOB on essay

**WORD LIMIT**

Junior: 700-800, Youth: 900-1000

**DEADLINE** 30 November 2024

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## GOLDEN TICKETS

Last week's Golden Ticket winners are:  
Raihan Year 8, Sabir Year 8, Adnaan Year 9, Shahriar Year 10, Zeid Year 7, Abdullah N Year 9, Daiyan Year 11, Hamzah Year 8, Soheyb Year 8, Musa Year 11 and Dawud Year 8.  
Masha'Allah! Keep up the hard work!

## NASIHAH

Our Head of Hifdh, Moulana Abdullah Al-Mamun, delivered last week's *nasihah* on building a deep connection with Allah Azzawajjal through the Qur'anul Kareem. The session was truly inspiring, motivating students to make the regular recitation of the Holy Qur'an a part of their daily lives, Alhamdulillah.



We pray that our pupils make it a habit to pick up the Book of Allah each day at home, reciting it with focus, understanding, and reflection, Insha'Allah. May Allah ﷻ shower His blessings upon our scholars and teachers, reward them abundantly for their dedication, and grant them eternal success in the Hereafter, Ameen.

## KHUTBAH

Our Year 10 pupil, Ismail, delivered a brilliant *khutbah* on the importance of reliance on Allah Azzawajjal, which moved and inspired both pupils and staff, Masha'Allah.

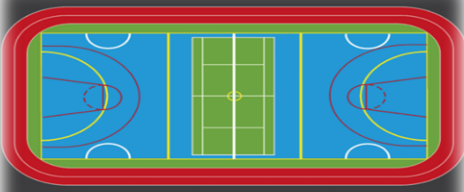


The *adhaan* was beautifully called by Mustapha in Year 8, Alhamdulillah.

May Allah ﷻ abundantly reward our pupils, grant them steadfastness in their worship, nurture them into future scholars and da'ees, Ameen.

## SCHOOL PLAYGROUND APPEAL

To provide our pupils with the best possible facilities, we're fundraising to transform our school playground into a vibrant, safe, and engaging space. This includes installing non-slip sports markings, new goal and basketball posts, and comfortable benches.



Physical activity is crucial for the health and well-being of our young boys. The Prophet ﷺ encouraged a balanced life, including physical activities like swimming, archery, and horse riding.

We aim to create an environment where our boys can enjoy sports and recreation in a safe, clean, and supportive atmosphere.

Help us create a safer and more enjoyable playground for our pupils and local youth. The cost for the project is just over £20,000 – a fundraising link has been sent to you already – we ask you share this with your friends and family, Insha'Allah.

The playground is shared by the Darul Uloom school pupils, local children from the maktab and the JMIC youth club. Your support is an investment into our young leaders and a great source of sadaqah jariyah for you and your family.

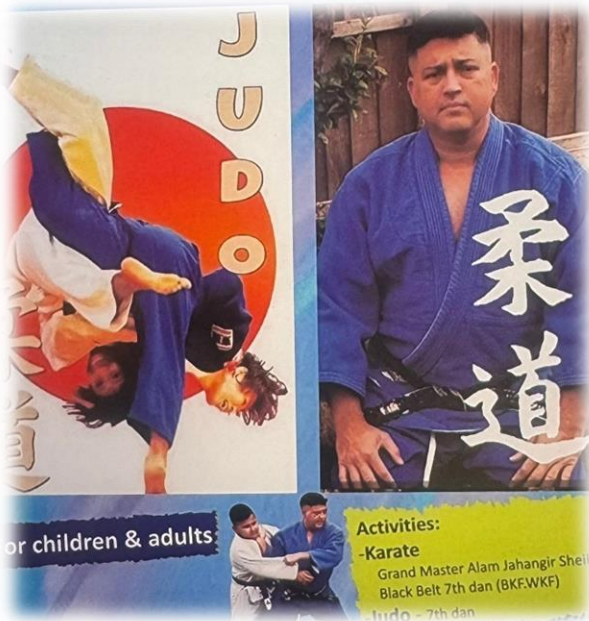


## CLUBS FOR ALL

Encourage your son to join one of our after-school clubs. These clubs provide pupils with the opportunity to develop a variety of skills, including communication, social interaction, hand-eye coordination, teamwork and more. These activities are designed to further enhance their personal development, Insha'Allah.

Day	Club	Teacher	KS3	KS4
<b>Monday</b>	Football	Ustaadh Sulaiman	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Sports History	Ustaadh Abir		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Anime	Ustaadh Hammaad	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Table Tennis	Ustaadh Mohsin		
<b>Wednesday</b>	Breakfast Club	Moulana Salauddin / Ustaadh Usman	7.30am-7.55am	7.30am-7.55am
	Tech Club	Ustaadh Sayed	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Board Games Club	Dr Khan	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Creative Writing	Ustaadh Qasim		
	Basketball	Ustaadh Sulaiman		
<b>Friday</b>	Reading Club	Ustaadh Azharul	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm

## JUDO CLUB



We are excited to announce that the school has organised after-school judo sessions at a local judo dojo to encourage pupils to learn this dynamic martial art. Judo offers numerous benefits, including improved physical fitness, discipline, self-defence skills, and enhanced mental focus. It's a fantastic way for students to build confidence and foster a sense of teamwork and respect.

The cost for these sessions is just £25 a month, which covers two sessions each week. For those who book directly through the club, the cost is around £60 a month, making this school offer an incredible value. As a special opening offer, the judo master has graciously agreed that the first five members will only pay £20 for the first month.

Provisional days and timings for the sessions are set for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. We encourage all interested pupils to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to learn and grow through judo!

**DARUL ULOOM ISLAMIC HIGH SCHOOL**

# THE PLAYGROUND APPEAL

**WE AIM TO RAISE £20,000 TO COVER THE COSTS OF THE NON-SLIP MARKINGS, SPORTS EQUIPMENT, AND BENCHES.**

WITH YOUR HELP, WE CAN CREATE A LASTING IMPROVEMENT FOR OUR SCHOOL, ENSURING THAT FUTURE GENERATIONS BENEFIT FROM IT, INSHA'ALLAH.

THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PBUH) SAID: "WHOEVER REMOVES A WORLDLY HARDSHIP FROM A BELIEVER, ALLAH WILL REMOVE A HARDSHIP FROM HIM ON THE DAY OF RESURRECTION." [MUSLIM]

SUPPORTING THIS INITIATIVE IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REMOVE A HARDSHIP AND PROVIDE OUR STUDENTS WITH A SPACE THAT BRINGS THEM JOY, COMFORT, AND GROWTH INSHA'ALLAH.

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## RESIDENTIAL TRIP IN JUNE/JULY



We are very excited to announce that we are provisionally organising a four-day residential trip to Dolgellau, Wales! This adventure will take place either at the end of June or the beginning of July, and we are fortunate to have secured a provisional booking at this extremely popular venue for school groups. Our school will enjoy exclusive use of the facilities, ensuring a unique and tailored experience for our students. To secure this trip, we need at least 30 pupils to sign up, so we would like to encourage you to show your interest by the deadline of 18 November.

Residential courses like this are invaluable parts of the National Curriculum and align perfectly with our school vision of fostering personal development and self-esteem. Students will benefit immensely from this experience, both educationally and socially, with opportunities to enhance their learning in Geography and Science while enjoying the beauty of the natural surroundings.

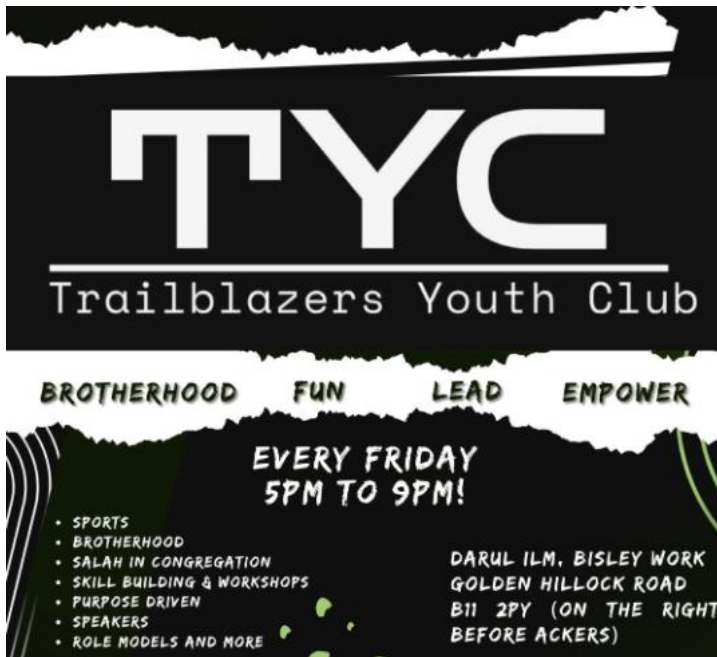


This year's program promises to be both enjoyable and worthwhile, featuring mini treks, treasure hunts, indoor games, a waterfall trek, a seaside visit, and an optional summit climb to Cader Idris. Additionally, there will be Islamic nasihah sessions designed to uplift students spiritually throughout the trip.

This opportunity is limited to 32 students from Years 7 to 11 on a first-come, first-served basis, with a cost of only £180, which includes transport, accommodation, and food. There are also up to six places available for parents who wish to accompany their child, at a cost of £140.

To confirm your booking, an initial non-refundable deposit of £40 will be required to secure your child's place. The remaining £140 can then be split into three monthly payments of approximately £46.67 each. We look forward to an unforgettable trip filled with learning and adventure!





## TRAILBLAZERS YOUTH CLUB

We were blessed to have a former Darul Uloom pupil, Idress Ali return to the school to promote his youth club initiative. Idrees has teamed up with Musa, both young men with a mission to *'inspire and uplift young brothers'*. We are immensely proud of our former Darul Uloom pupils as they serve the community and do the work of Dawah. We ask that you make dua for their initiative to be a success, Insha'Allah.

**BROTHERS 14-18 YRS OLD ONLY  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

## DAR SCORES

A strong start from Dar Ibrahim, taking the lead after the first week, Masha'Allah! Dar Nuh and Dar Musa are close behind, separated by just two points, kicking off what promises to be an exciting rivalry. As we progress, we expect to see plenty of ups and downs, but remember—the most consistent *Dars* always come out on top, earning points steadily without letting too many slip away.

Let's go, *Dars*! Give it your best effort!

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## NOTICE BOARD

Anti-Bullying Week: 11-15 November  
 Careers Workshop – EA Sports: 13 November  
 Parent Conference: 14 November  
 Parliament Week: 18-24 November  
 Fiqh Competition: 19 November



Thank you for taking out some time to read our briefing – JazakumAllāhukhairan