# Darul Uloom ISLAMIC HIGH SCHOOL BIRMINGHAM





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# WEEKLY BRIEFING

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

# SECOND WEEK OVER!

Another week has finished, and a new week begins, Alhamdulillah. As we enter the third week back, we are grateful to Allah 4 for allowing us to continue our journey of learning with renewed focus and determination. This is another opportunity to excel in our studies and develop our character, always striving to seek His pleasure.



May Allah 4 grant us barakah in our time, guide us to beneficial knowledge, and help us embody the values of our deen. Let's make the most of this new week, Insha'Allah!



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Last week, our school actively participated in Anti-Bullying Week, raising awareness about the importance of kindness, respect, and support within our community. A special assembly was delivered by Ustaadh Azmol, where he highlighted the serious harms of bullying and the Islamic perspective on treating others with dignity and compassion.

Throughout the week, our scholars shared *nasihahs* on the importance of good character, emphasising the responsibility we have as Muslims to whather physical emotioned are verbal. Decular reminders reliaforeed the

protect one another from harm, whether physical, emotional, or verbal. Regular reminders reinforced the message of standing against bullying and supporting those in need.

Pupils were also guided on how to seek help if they or someone they know is affected by bullying, ensuring they feel empowered to address any concerns. We pray that these efforts create a safe and positive environment for all, Insha'Allah.

## 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.

## PARENT CONFERENCE



Our school recently held an online parent conference, providing a valuable opportunity for parents to hear about the school's plans, current practices, and the challenges we are working to overcome. Parents also shared their feedback, highlighting what they felt was going well and offering constructive suggestions for areas of improvement.

Among the suggestions raised were aspirations for more ambitious progress in Hifdh, making lessons in subjects like history more engaging, providing more regular homework for Year 7, and queries about GCSE booster sessions. Parents also shared ideas regarding the upcoming VAT on fees, ways to enhance the playground's appeal, and the importance of keeping Google Classroom regularly updated.

We were thrilled to achieve our highest attendance to date, with 50-54 parents joining across both sessions, Alhamdulillah. This engagement reflects the strong partnership between the school and parents in striving for excellence. We are grateful for the valuable insights shared and look forward to working collaboratively to implement positive changes, Insha'Allah.

May Allah 48 bless all our parents and guardians and rewards them in abundance, Ameen.





### NASIHAH



Our Head of Alimi, Moulana Dr Abdul Matin Al-Azhari, delivered last week's *nasihah* on the dangers and harms of backbiting and speaking ill of others, in line with Anti-Bullying Week. The session was truly inspiring and encouraged reflect students to on their behaviour and improve the way they communicate with one another.

We pray that our pupils refrain from negative actions such as backbiting and instead strive to engage in positive actions, including showing respect and speaking well of others, Insha'Allah.

May Allah shower His blessings upon our scholars and teachers, reward them abundantly for their dedication, and grant them eternal success in the Hereafter, Ameen.



КНИТВАН

Our Year 9 pupil, Cusmaan, delivered an intense and moving *khutbah* on the importance of having fear and hope in Allah Azzawajjal, which moved and inspired both pupils and staff, Masha'Allah.

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

May Allah 4 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 **#** 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  $\pm 20,000 - a$  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
Monday	Football	Ustaadh Sulaiman	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Sports History	Ustaadh Abir		
Tuesday	Anime	Ustaadh Hammaad	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Table Tennis	Ustaadh Mohsin	4.130	4.50pm 5.50pm
Wednesday	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
Thursday	Board Games Club	Dr Khan		
	Creative Writing	Ustaadh Qasim	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm
	Basketball	Ustaadh Sulaiman		
Friday	Reading Club	Ustaadh Azharul	4.15pm-4.50pm	4.50pm -5.30pm

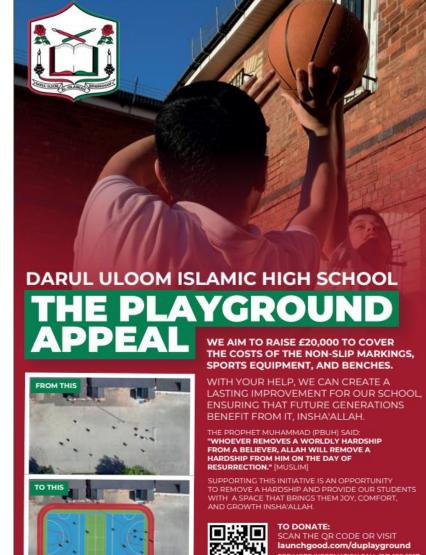
### JUDO CLUB



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!





FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 0121 688 65







#### BIRMINGHAM MASJ AND DAWAH CENTR

# DEC 2024: MON 23, TUE 24, MON 30 & TUE 31

# **ACTIVITIES**

MMUNITY

- Sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Energiser activities

DAY TRIP NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM & LONDON TOUR



SCAN ME TO ENROL

# OPEN TO BOYS & GIRLS

5-9 YEAR OLDS 9am -12.45pm 10–16 YEAR OLDS 1:15pm – 5pm

• Free Snacks

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• Free Breakfast/Lunch

**SMALL HEATH:** DARUL ULOOM 511 COVENTRY ROAD B10 OLL LOZELLS: CF BUILDING 20 ST SILAS SQUARE B19 1QW

You can enrol your child online, or complete form and return by Monday 9th December 2024 Email: info@thecommunityfoundation.org.uk Tel: 0121 312 0135 Website: www.thecommunityfoundation.org.uk

\*Day trips are free for kids eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) and regularly attending the scheme. Fees applies for those not on FSM.

### **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!





Year 9 competed against Yardley School last week in a cup match. Despite a valiant effort, our boys were defeated 4-1 by a more experienced team on a challenging grass pitch. There were some pivotal moments, including when our striker hit the bar, but the team showed significant improvement in the second half after making adjustments.

Insha'Allah, we hope for greater success in future matches. We are proud of the team's effort and resilience and are pleased that they returned happy and healthy, Alhamdulillah.

### CAREERS WORKSHOP

We were fortunate to host a KS3 STEM workshop where our pupils had the opportunity to explore STEM careers aligned with their interests and aptitudes. They also engaged with key STEM concepts that are essential for career readiness.

The session was thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils, who greatly benefitted from it by expanding their knowledge of potential career pathways, Alhamdulillah.



## 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.

Simply call us or email!

### DAR SCORES

Dar Musa have reclaimed the lead, with Dar Nuh close behind in second place. Although Dar Ibrahim were unable to maintain their lead, they remain a strong contender in third. Dar Sulaiman are currently in fourth place, followed by Dar Isa in fifth and Dar Yusuf in sixth.

With the upcoming Fiqh competition, everything could change—so keep striving, Dars!



#### **NOTICE BOARD**

Parliament Week: 18-24 November Fiqh Competition: 19 November Student Council Football Fundraiser: 21 November End of Term Assessments: 25-28 November

### Hadith regarding being dutiful to parents:

The Prophet 🛎 always highlighted the importance of being loving to parents. It was narrated:

'Abdullah ibn 'Amr said, "A man came to the Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, and said, 'I have come to make you a pledge that will do hijra although I have left my parents in tears." The Prophet said, 'Go back to them and make them laugh as you made them cry.'

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