



WEEKLY BRIEFING

25 NOVEMBER 2024 | 24 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.



WEATHER

Last week's snowfall presented several challenges, including travel disruptions and ensuring students remained safe and warm in the cold weather. While the school worked diligently to maintain safety and minimise disruptions, some pupils arrived without adequate winter clothing, making it difficult to focus and stay comfortable.

Pupils who stayed indoors during break times enjoyed playing board games and other activities, which allowed them to remain warm while socialising productively.

As colder weeks are expected, we kindly urge parents to ensure their sons come to school adequately prepared, including wearing warm, waterproof jackets, layers such as jumpers, and essential winter accessories like hats, gloves, and scarves. Remember that caring for our health is an amanah (trust) from Allah ﷻ. Together, we can ensure a safe and comfortable environment for all students.



Work Experience Scheme: 24th-26th February 2025



We are pleased to announce that our Work Experience Scheme will take place from **24th to 26th February 2025**. Your son will participate in a three-day work experience placement away from the school during this time. 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 help your son find 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!

BASKETBALL MATCH



We are thrilled to announce that Darul Uloom pupils participated in their first-ever basketball match with another school. We were competing against two schools, Hall Green School and Yardley School, in a friendly mini-tournament.

Alhamdulillah, our team won every game, showcasing outstanding teamwork, calmness, and respect. The pupils, led by Abdullah Choudhury, the top scorer and our standout player, represented Darul Uloom with dignity and excellence. This incredible achievement highlights their dedication and ability; we are immensely proud of them, Masha'Allah, Allahumma Barik.

NASIHAH



Our Senior Alimiyah Teacher, Khateeb, and Imam Moulana Habibul Gaffar delivered this week's nasihah, Alhamdulillah. He reminded us all of the importance of having the correct intentions and sincerity in all our good actions.

He explained the conditions needed for our deeds being accepted – having imaan (6 beliefs), iklas (sincerity) and itibaah (following the Prophet's way ﷺ).

We understood the virtues of sincerity and the consequences of Riyah (showing off). We pray that our pupils reflect deeply on the advice shared, use each moment to remember Allah ﷻ, and grow into individuals of true taqwa, Insha'Allah. May Allah ﷻ shower His blessings upon our scholars and teachers, reward them for their dedication, and grant them eternal success in the Hereafter, Ameen.



GOLDEN TICKETS

Last week's Golden Ticket winners are:

Kazi Year 10, Umar Year 11, Ibrahim A Year 9, Yaqub Year 7, Muawiyah Year 9, Soheyb Year 9, Talha Year 10, and Ibrahim A Year 7.

Masha'Allah! Keep up the hard work!

TERM 1 PRIZES FOR GOLDEN TICKETS

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| 5 tickets = | Art Brushes |
| 8 tickets = | Box of high-quality coloured pens |
| 10 tickets = | Calligraphy Set |
| 12 tickets = | Table Tennis Bats & Ball |
| 15 tickets = | Nike Football |



KHUTBAH

Our Year 10 pupil, Moutasim, delivered an outstanding Khutbah, inspiring all our pupils and staff, Masha'Allah.

In his khutbah, Moutasim emphasised that Iman alone is insufficient for entering Paradise; righteous deeds must accompany him. He referenced several places in the Quran where Allah mentions Iman and righteous deeds

together, highlighting their inseparable connection. Moutasim also spoke about the importance of extending kindness and support to our families and those around us, including our neighbours, as taught in a hadith of the Prophet ﷺ. Using a beautiful metaphor, he likened righteous deeds to fruits borne by a tree with strong roots and high branches, illustrating how actions are the natural outcome of firm faith. Furthermore, he stressed the need to avoid separating our faith from our actions, reminding us of the importance of living our beliefs. The khutbah concluded with practical examples of righteous deeds we can implement daily, offering inspiration and guidance for all who listened.

The adhaan was beautifully called by Muhammad Amin (Year 7), Alhamdulillah.

May Allah ﷻ abundantly reward our pupils, granting them steadfastness in their worship, nurturing them into great scholars and da'ees, and guiding all of us along the straight path, Ameen.

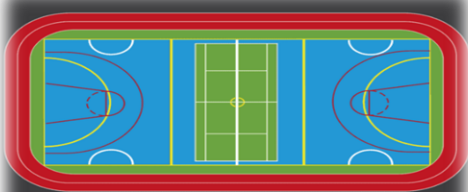
PARLIAMENT WEEK

During Parliament Week, our pupils had the opportunity to learn about the workings of Parliament and the democratic systems of our country. They watched a specially created video that complemented the week's focus, sparking insightful discussions about their understanding of how these systems operate. The experience was an excellent way to deepen their knowledge of the democratic processes and policies that shape our nation, fostering greater awareness of the importance of participation and representation in a democratic society.



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 a safe, clean, and supportive environment where our boys can enjoy sports and recreation.

Please help us create a safer and more enjoyable playground for our pupils and local youth. The project costs just over £20,000. A fundraising link has already been sent to you. We ask that 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 in 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 allow pupils to develop various skills, including communication, social interaction, hand-eye coordination, teamwork, and more. Insha'Allah, these activities are designed to enhance their personal development further.

| Day | Club | Teacher | KS3 | KS4 |
|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Monday | Football | Ustaadh Sulaiman | 4.15pm-4.50pm | 4.50pm -5.30pm |
| | Sports History | Ustaadh Abir/Azharul | | |
| Tuesday | Anime | Ustaadh Hammad | 4.15pm-4.50pm | 4.50pm -5.30pm |
| | Cricket | Ustaadh Mohsin | | |
| 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 | 4.15pm-4.50pm | 4.50pm -5.30pm |
| | Creative Writing | Ustaadh Qasim | | |
| | 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 started after-school judo sessions at a local 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. We saw how much the pupils enjoyed their first two sessions, and with consistency, they will prosper, Insha'Allah.

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 price is around £68 a month, making this school offer an incredible value.

The sessions are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30pm to 5:30pm. We encourage all interested pupils to take advantage of this beautiful opportunity to learn and grow through judo!

HADITH

The Prophet ﷺ used to stand (in the prayer) or pray till both his feet or legs swelled. He was asked why (he offered such an unbearable prayer), and he said, *"Should I not be a thankful slave."*

[Sahih al-Bukhari 1130](#)

RESIDENTIAL TRIP IN JUNE/JULY



We are 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 encourage you to show your interest by the deadline of 18 November.

Residential courses like this are invaluable to the National Curriculum and align perfectly with our school's vision of fostering personal development and self-esteem. Students will benefit immensely from this educational and social experience, 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. It features 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. It costs only £180, which includes transport, accommodation, and food. Up to six places are also 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 be split into three monthly payments of approximately £46.67 each. We look forward to an unforgettable trip filled with learning and adventure!





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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DARUL ULOOM ISLAMIC HIGH SCHOOL

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FIQH COMPETITION



On Tuesday, we held an engaging Fiqh (Islamic jurisprudence) competition, Alhamdulillah, where pupils showcased their knowledge and understanding of the fundamental principles of Islam. The competition brought an exciting sense of teamwork and friendly rivalry, as pupils aimed to earn as many house points as possible for their respective Dars. Masha'Allah, the competition winner, was Dar Musa, who performed exceptionally well, followed by Dar Ibrahim in second place and Dar Yusuf in third. This event fostered a spirit of healthy competition and deepened the students' appreciation and application of Fiqh in their daily lives. It was inspiring to see the dedication and enthusiasm with which the pupils participated, reflecting their commitment to their studies and Dars.

May Allah Azzawajjal give all our pupils success in both worlds, Ameen.

STUDENT COUNCIL CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH



The school's pupil council recently organised a charity football match to support the ongoing playground appeal, Alhamdulillah. The event was an incredible display of teamwork and community spirit, as pupils enthusiastically participated to contribute to an important cause.

Through their efforts, the pupil council has raised over £55 so far, with more contributions expected, insha'Allah. This initiative brought the school together for an enjoyable activity and highlighted the pupils' dedication to improving facilities for everyone's benefit. Masha'Allah, their hard work and commitment are truly commendable.

WINTER HOLIDAYS PROGRAM

We encourage all pupils to join the Community Foundation's exciting Winter Holiday Program, where they can participate in various fun and engaging activities throughout the winter holidays. This programme is an excellent way for pupils to stay active, develop new skills, and make lasting memories with their friends in a supportive and enjoyable environment. Don't miss out on the chance to be part of this fantastic experience – we look forward to seeing you there!



WINTER HOLIDAY Scheme

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

ACTIVITIES

- 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
- Free Breakfast/Lunch

📍 SMALL HEATH: DARUL ULOOM
511 COVENTRY ROAD B10 0LL

📍 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.**

FASTING THIS MONTH & SCHOOL IFTAAR

To encourage our pupils to fast on Mondays and Thursdays, the school is delighted to provide Iftaar for those fasting this Thursday, insha'Allah. With the shorter days this month, it is a wonderful opportunity to take advantage of fasting and gain the reward for a full day with greater ease, Alhamdulillah.

This initiative aims to support and motivate pupils to engage in this virtuous act. We kindly ask parents to inform us by the end of the day on **Tuesday, 26 November**, if their child will be fasting and joining the Iftaar. This will help us ensure we are well-prepared to accommodate everyone. We look forward to supporting our pupils in this beautiful Sunnah and fostering a spirit of unity and devotion.



STUDENT KHIDMAH

During their lunch break, our pupils volunteered their time to clean the masjid in preparation for the blessed day of Jummah, Masha'Allah. They worked diligently, hoovering the carpets, wiping down the windows, and clearing rubbish from the benches to ensure the masjid was neat and welcoming for worshippers.



This service reflects their dedication to maintaining the house of Allah and their commitment to contributing positively to the community.

We ask Allah Azzawajjal to reward them abundantly for their sincere efforts and grant them barakah in their time and deeds, Ameen.

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

Mailing Address

Birmingham Masjid and Dawah Centre
148, Berners Street, Cozells B19 2DR

For any query Dr. Abdul Matin -07846732788

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SEERAH COMPETITION

Engaging in the Seerah competition is an invaluable opportunity for pupils to deepen their understanding of the life and teachings of our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Through studying his character, struggles, and triumphs, pupils gain insights into compassion, justice, patience, and leadership principles that serve as timeless examples for all aspects of life.

Participating in this competition encourages pupils to connect with their faith personally, strengthening their love and respect for the Prophet ﷺ. It also fosters a sense of healthy competition and teamwork as pupils prepare and present their knowledge. By actively engaging in the Seerah competition, pupils enhance their Islamic learning and develop essential skills such as critical thinking, communication, and presentation.

This initiative is a meaningful way to inspire our pupils to embody the Prophet's teachings daily, positively impacting their character and actions, Insha'Allah. The deadline to submit the Seerah competition essay is **30th November**. We encourage all pupils to participate and submit their essays by this date to be considered for the competition.

FOODBANK – HELPING THE LESS NEEDY

The school is proud to collaborate with the Jami Mosque and Islamic Centre to support those less fortunate by contributing to the Jami Mosque's foodbank. This initiative provides essentials, donated by locals and supermarkets, which are made freely available to those in need at the mosque's entrance and exit points. Our pupils are excited to participate in this noble cause, demonstrating compassion and care for the wider community.

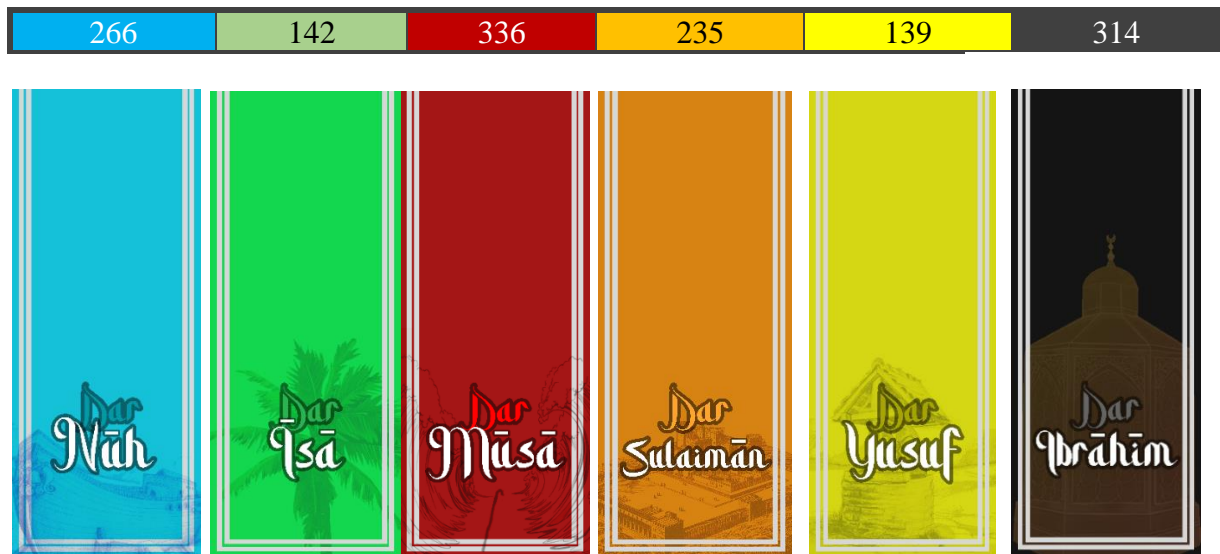
We encourage you to support this initiative by donating food items with a long shelf life, such as rice, pasta, tinned vegetables, lentils, tinned fruits, cooking oil, cereals, biscuits, and UHT milk.

May Allah Azzawajjal accept your generous contributions and reward you abundantly for your kindness, Insha'Allah.

DAR UPDATES

Dar Musa leads the Dar competition for Term 1.2, setting an excellent example of teamwork and dedication. Under the strong leadership of Dr Khan and Ustaadh Mohsin, the pupils of Dar Musa consistently demonstrated exceptional effort and unity.

Dar Nuh is closely followed in second place, with Dar Sulaiman in third. In fourth place is Dar Ibrahim, followed by Dar Yusuf in fifth, and lastly, Dar Isa.



NOTICE BOARD

Year 10 Football Match: 25 November
Year 8 Football: 26 November
Assessments: 25-28 November
School Iftaar: 28 November
Masjid Khidmah: 29 November
Reading Competition: 29 November
Seerah Essay Competition: 30 November
Street Clean: 2 December
Tea With the Elderly in Masjid: 30 November, 7 December, 14 December



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