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AS-SALAMU ALAYKUM

Chronicles of Islamia

6th November 2026 - 27 Jumada Al-Awwal 1448
Newsletter Issue 6

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term! I hope you and your families enjoyed a restful half-term break and that our children are ready for another exciting few weeks of learning.

As you can see from our Parent Diary, we have a busy and exciting half-term ahead, insha'Allah. From World Kindness Day and Anti-Bullying Week to our class performances, World Arabic Language Day and parent coffee morning, there will be plenty of opportunities for our children to learn, develop their character and share their achievements with you. We look forward to welcoming you to these events.

We will also be sharing our Parent Survey shortly. Your views really matter to us, so please take a few minutes to tell us what we are doing well and where we can improve. Your feedback will help shape our school improvement journey.

Finally, I recently made another visit to our new school building, alongside governors, ahead of our planned move in September 2027. We are very excited about the opportunities this new chapter will bring for our children and the wider school community. I would encourage families to take the opportunity over the coming months to explore the area around our new school, consider travel arrangements and become familiar with the neighbourhood as we prepare for this important move together.

There is much to look forward to, insha'Allah, as we continue working together to build a beautiful school where every child can achieve, belong and thrive.

Please continue to keep our school, pupils and staff in your du'as.

Hussain Shefaar

In September 2027, Islamia is moving here!
Save the address, visit the area:
Brentfield Road, Neasden
NW10 8HE

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Nurturing our children's faith

PARENT SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL

Supporting teaching Quran & Deen at Islamia

The government funds the learning and development of your children, covering **all National Curriculum subject areas.**

As a Voluntary Aided school, the cost of providing our specialised Islamic Studies **(Quran and Deen provision) relies directly on parents.**

Our dedicated Quran & Deen department provides our children with an invaluable foundation in Islamic beliefs, character education *(tarbiyyah)*, Islamic knowledge and worship.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION HELPS FUND:

- **Specialist teaching staff**
- **Books and resources**
- **Digital learning tools**

There is an annual need of **over £120,000** to fund the Islamic Studies and Qur'an department.

Without your contributions, we may not be able to continue to provide this important provision.

To maintain this provision, we kindly request a voluntary contribution of:

£450 one-off contribution per family
OR
£37.50 per month for 12 months

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HSBC Bank
The Broadway, Ealing W5 5JR
Sort Code: **40 05 23**
Account No. **61320289**

Supporting your child's Islamic education is a beautiful form of **Sadaqah Jariyah** *(continuous charity)* that yields blessings for their future. We are deeply grateful for your investment in our children's spiritual growth.

PROMOTING HEALTHY HABITS

At Islamia, we want every child to have the energy, concentration and good health they need to learn, play and thrive. **What children eat regularly matters**, and developing healthy habits from an early age can make a lasting difference.

We have noticed that some children are bringing crisps and other less nutritious snacks to school every day or being given them at home-time as they leave school. Choosing a different snack more often can help children develop a more varied diet.

Growing bodies need nourishment. Fruit, vegetables, wholegrain foods and other nutritious snacks provide a range of vitamins, minerals and fibre that support children's growth and development.

Although **a packet of crisps may seem like a small snack**, making it a daily habit is worth reconsidering (see poster below which shows the amount of oil consumed in a year if someone eats 1 packet of crisps every day)

Curriculum Corner

Engage in meaningful discussions and exchange ideas with experts.

Aysha Islam - Assistant Headteacher: Curriculum, Teaching & Learning

Learning in Action

Step into a world of endless possibilities and take control of your growth. Whether you're learning a new skill, exploring fresh ideas, or taking the next step in your career, knowledge is the key to unlocking new opportunities. With the right resources and guidance, you can push boundaries, achieve your goals, and shape your own future. Start your journey today and discover what's possible.

Y6 Centre of the Cell

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YEAR 6: SCIENCE IN ACTION!

Centre of the Cell • Queen Mary University of London

Wednesday 4 November 2026

Year 6 brought their science learning to life during an interactive workshop exploring the heart and circulatory system.

What did we explore?

- **The heart & blood cells**
- **Human & animal circulatory systems**
- **Healthy choices & our bodies**

Pupil voice

"The trip was amazing and full of knowledge about the heart, cells, and the blood cells in our body." — *Hadeel Mohtasib*

"It was very interesting learning about the heart and what is around it." — *Amani Ahmed*

"The trip was amazing and I loved doing roles when we were at the workshop." — *Zakariya Ilahi*

"We took part in a fun workshop and we saw how the circulatory system works of both humans and animals." — *Muhammed Moumen*

Excerpts from pupils' reflections; spelling and punctuation lightly edited.

Achieve • Belong • Thrive

PE - Brent Boys Cup

Yesterday, our Year 5 & 6 boys took part in the first round of the Brent Cup and delivered a fantastic performance. In an exciting and entertaining match, Islamia Primary School secured a brilliant 7-4 victory against Fryent Primary School.

A special congratulations goes to our talented Year 4 pupil, Ayub Baioumy, who scored an incredible five goals during the match. What an achievement! We are incredibly proud of the entire team for their hard work, teamwork, and determination. We now look forward to Round 2 of the Brent Cup, where we will face Kingsbury Green Primary School.

Update: Islamia School Council Introducing Our School Councillors 2026-2027

Congratulations to our newly elected School Councillors and Deputy Councillors! Well done to everyone who stood for election and shared their ideas, and thank you to all pupils who voted. Our councillors will represent their classmates, listen to suggestions and work together to help make Islamia Primary School an even better place to Achieve, Belong and Thrive.

Deputy councillors will support them and step in when needed. These roles are an opportunity to put our Islamic values into practice through amanah (trust), kindness and service to others, ensuring every child's voice is heard. We look forward to seeing the positive difference our pupil representatives will make, inshaAllah!

Jumu'ah Khutbah: Allah's Vast Mercy and Kindness

Living a Life of Awe and Wonder

Words of Wisdom

Today's khutbah reminded us of Allah's vast mercy and kindness through a beautiful Hadith Qudsi—a hadith in which the Prophet ﷺ narrates from Allah.

Ibn Abbas (رضي الله عنهما) reported that the Prophet ﷺ explained that Allah rewards a sincere intention to do good, even when we are unable to carry it out. When we complete a good deed, Allah multiplies its reward from ten to seven hundred times, and beyond. *Reported in Sahih al-Bukhari and Sahih Muslim.*

What a hopeful reminder for our children and ourselves: even a small act of goodness can carry an immense reward. A kind word, helping at home, including someone in a game or choosing patience are all opportunities to seek Allah's pleasure.

A family reflection: What good deed can we sincerely intend and put into practice this week? May Allah purify our intentions, fill our hearts with kindness and help us share His blessings through our actions. Ameen.

Behaviour Relaunching Expectations

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Our Behaviour Relaunch

Building a Consistent, Positive and Inclusive Culture

Dear Parents and Carers,
We are pleased to share that we are relaunching our whole-school approach to behaviour to further strengthen a positive, respectful and safe environment for all our children.

We are not starting again.
We are building on our existing strengths, Islamic values and the positive relationships we already have, to create greater consistency across the school.

Our Three Expectations

- **READY** — Ready to learn, participate and make positive choices. *Achieve*
- **RESPECTFUL** — Kind in our words, actions and relationships. *Belong*
- **SAFE** — Protecting ourselves and others, physically and emotionally. *Thrive*

What does this mean for our children?

- Clear and consistent expectations in every setting.
- Explicit teaching of routines and positive behaviours.
- A supportive, restorative approach to help children learn and make better choices.
- A continued focus on kindness, respect and responsibility, rooted in our Islamic values.
- Working in partnership with families to reinforce our shared expectations.

How you can support at home

- Talk to your child about **Ready, Respectful, Safe.**
- Reinforce the importance of kind, respectful and safe choices.
- Support good routines, including punctuality and being ready for school.
- Work with us in a positive and consistent way.

"The best of you are those who are best in character."
(Hadith – Bukhari)

SAVE THE DATES

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SAVE THE DATES
Parent Diary
Autumn 2 2026

Key Events for Parents and Carers

Further details and timings will be shared nearer each event.

NOVEMBER 2026

Wed 11 November	**Individual Pupil Photos** *Children should be in full school uniform.*
Fri 13 November	**World Kindness Day**
Mon 16 – Fri 20 November	**Anti-Bullying Week** *Break the Silence*
Fri 20 November	**World Children's Day**
Mon 23 November	**Parent Coffee Morning – Sleep Hygiene** *(EYFS with Brent Nursing Team) | 9:00am*
Wed 25 November	**Year 2 Birch Parent Performance** *Coming to England*

DECEMBER 2026

Thu 3 December	**International Day of Persons with Disabilities**
Wed 9 December	**Year 5 Cedar Parent Performance** *Space*
Wed 16 December	**Year 6 Oak Parent Performance** *World Arabic Language Day*
Fri 18 December	**World Arabic Language Day and Autumn Reports to Parents**
Mon 21 December – Fri 1 January	**Christmas Holiday**

We look forward to welcoming you to these important events.
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INCLUSION

Celebrating Three Years
as an ELSA Accredited School
Islamia Primary School

Children, Young People and Community Development
EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE
Brent
Applying Psychology for Positive Outcomes

ELSA Network Registered Training Provider

REGISTERED EMOTIONAL LITERACY SUPPORT ASSISTANTS (ELSAS) SUPPORT THE WELL-BEING, SOCIAL, AND EMOTIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN IN THIS SETTING:

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VALID FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027

ELSA NETWORK

Sr Mallale	Sr Nadia	Sr Shakeela
Brent Children, Young People and Community Development — Educational Psychology Service — Applying Psychology for Positive Outcomes — ELSA Network Registered Training Provider		
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Mallale Valiyadeh	*Nadia Qatab*	*Shakeela Abdeen*
Signed: Head teacher	Signed: Head teacher	Signed: Head teacher
Date: 1st September year 1 to end of school year 6	Date: 1st September year 1 to end of school year 6	Date: 1st September year 1 to end of school year 6

★ — *Three years of recognition. Countless moments of care.* — ★
Inclusion Team • Islamia Primary School

Safeguarding Matters

Keeping Safe in the Local Community

At Islamia, we want every child and family to feel safe, supported and confident in our local community.

Following the recent Queen's Park Safer Neighbourhood Panel meeting, we are sharing some gentle reminders about staying safe when travelling to school, visiting local shops or spending time outdoors.

Our Islamic faith teaches us to care for one another. Allah tells us:

"Cooperate with one another in goodness and righteousness."

— Qur'an, 5:2

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ also taught that a Muslim is someone from whose tongue and hands others are safe. — Sahih al-Bukhari.

These teachings remind us to use kind words, avoid causing harm and seek help when something is wrong.

Please discuss these simple messages as a family:

Plan your journey. Use familiar, well-used routes and agree who is collecting your child. Older children travelling independently should let parents know about any changes to their plans.

Stay together. Younger children should stay close to their accompanying adult. Older siblings attending the boys' and girls' high schools can model sensible choices and kindness.

Move away from trouble. If you see an argument or behaviour that feels unsafe, keep your distance. Older children should avoid stopping to watch, film or share incidents.

Tell a trusted adult. If someone frightens you, pressures you to do something wrong or asks you to keep a worrying secret, tell a parent, carer or school adult. You will not be in trouble for asking for help.

Keep conversations calm and appropriate to your child's age, giving them time to ask questions.

If something happens in the community that affects your child's safety or wellbeing, please speak privately with T. Yasmin, our Designated Safeguarding Lead, or a Deputy DSL.

May Allah protect our children and families and help us make our community a place of kindness, care and safety. Aameen.

Attendance Matters
Every School Day Counts

JazakumAllahu Khairan to all our parents and carers for your continued support. Let's work together to achieve our whole-school attendance target of 95% or above, ensuring every child has the opportunity to learn, achieve and thrive!

Attendance Autumn 1 2026 (%)
Mon
Tues
Wed
Thur
Fri
Cedar
Oak
Birch
Pine
Elm
Ash
Willow
Oak
Cedar
Birch
Pine
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