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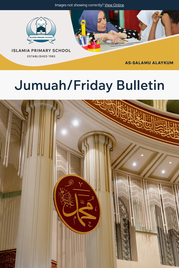
CATERHAM, SURREY

AS-SALAMU ALAYKUM

Jumuah/Friday Bulletin



Headteacher's Message

As Salam Alaykoum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuhu

In nurturing our children, it is important to cultivate a sense of gratitude to Allah in both word and action. Shukr or Thankfulness, reminds us to recognize the countless blessings we often overlook—our health, our families, and the opportunity to guide our children. Allah tells us in Qur'an, **"If you are grateful, I will surely increase you"** (Quran 14:7), a powerful reminder that gratitude brings barakah into our lives. As parents, when we regularly say Alhamdulillah and encourage our children to do the same, we are not just developing a positive outlook rooted in faith. Whether in moments of ease or difficulty, expressing thanks to Allah strengthens our connection to Him and teaches our children to grow with humility, patience, and trust.

We thank Allah for our OFSTED inspection which was conducted throughout this week and we make dua for a positive outcome from this process. On behalf of the whole school community, I would like to extend my thanks to our parents and school community also for their constructive engagement with the process. We anticipate the report will be published in late May or June and will be sharing the report once it's officially published. In remembering to be thankful, the Quran reminds us of Allah's favours:

"And if you should count the favors of Allah, you could not enumerate them" (Quran 14:34).

Alim Shaikh

Maths World!

Year 6 Trip to Maths World London

Year 6 Trip to Maths World London On a bright and exciting day out, Year 6 embarked on a memorable visit to Maths World. The children began by exploring the world of geometry, discovering how shapes, angles and structure support so much of the world we live in every day. Hands-on exhibits encouraged them to think spatially and see mathematics not as something confined to their exercise books, but as a living, breathing part of the world around them. From there, the group threw themselves into a series of problem-solving challenges, working collaboratively to think logically, reason carefully and persevere when the answers didn't come easily. It was wonderful to see children who might shy away from maths in the classroom flourish when given a real-world puzzle to crack. But the moment that will live longest in the memory came when the children built Leonardo da Vinci's self-supporting dome — a breathtaking structure held together by nothing more than the interlocking of its wooden pieces and the principles of geometry itself. The buzz in the room as the dome took shape was palpable, and it's a perfect reminder that mathematics has the power to create something truly extraordinary.

Thank you to the PSA Team for facilitating Maths World for our students!

The trip gave every child a richer, deeper appreciation of maths — and a few memories they won't forget in a hurry.

Collaboration, learning, and innovation come together in a dynamic space designed for maths learning at Maths World!

Year 2 Trip

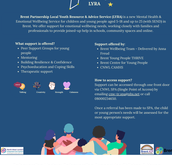
Year 2 (Sycamore) trip to our trip to the Shri Swaminarayan Temple as part of the RE curriculum.

RE Curriculum

The children identified similarities and differences between the different religions and discussed the importance of showing respect to all religions.

Raising children in Reception

EYFS provides children with a hands-on, experiential learning experience that supports understanding of life cycles, growth, and living things. Children observe eggs hatching in an incubator, care for chicks, and develop empathy and communication skills while strengthening their **Understanding of the World**.



Attendance Matters!

Alhamdulillah, we have managed to achieve 95% whole school attendance for two consecutive weeks. Mashallah, has further improved this week to 96%, however this is still below the whole school target of 96%. Congratulations to all classes in green 3?14. Mashallah 11 Maple achieved the best attendance in the school with 98%. Two classes were very close with 94.7% Olive and Hawthorn. If your child is absent, please ensure you contact the school as early as possible to provide a reason. For planned absences or medical appointments, kindly try to arrange these out of school hours where possible. However, we do understand this can not always happen, please inform us in advance and provide any necessary documentation.

Jazakallah Khair for your continued support in helping us maintain high standards for learning and achievement.

Safeguarding Matters

Brent Partnership LVSA

Brent Partnership Local Youth Resource & Advice Service (LVSA) is a new Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing Service for children and young people aged 13 and up to 25 under SEND/Care Review. We offer support for emotional wellbeing needs, working closely with families and professionals to provide joined up help to include, community spaces and online.

What support is offered?
- Peer Support Group (for young people)
- 1:1 Mentoring
- Building Resilience & Confidence
- Psychoeducation and Coping Skills
- Therapeutic support

Support offered by:
- Brent Wellbeing Team - Delivered by Anna Freud
- Brent Young People THRIVE
- Brent Centre for Young People
- CNWL CAMHS

How to access support?
Referrals can be made through our Anna Freud MyTalk app, the quickest way of accessing the wellbeing app. (e.g.pdf/video) or call 08000 0234 400.

Once a referral has been made to IBL Site (the Hub) a member of staff will be assigned for the most appropriate support.

Brent Partnership LVSA

Safeguarding Update: Safeguarding Support for Children & Young People

Brent LVRA Brent Partnership LYPA (Local Youth Resource & Advice Service) offers free mental health and emotional wellbeing support for children and young people aged 5–18 (and up to 25 for those with SEND) in Brent. The service provides: Peer support groups, One-to-one mentoring, Help to build confidence and resilience Advice on coping skills and emotional wellbeing, Access to therapeutic support where needed.

Support is delivered in schools, community settings, and online, working closely with families and professionals.

How to access support? Parents can request support through the CNWL Single Point of Access (SPA):0 cnw-tr.spa@nhs.net ☎ 0800 023 4650 Once a referral is made, your child will be assessed and guided to the most appropriate support.

At Islamia Primary School we take safeguarding seriously, we're delighted to introduce a new section to our Jumuah Bulletin - a key, weekly reminder from our Deputy Headteacher, on ensuring our community keeps informed and safe, online, physically and in the community - Ameen

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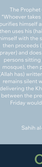
PSA: Parent Staff Association



...to our excellent and hard-working PSA Team

Our PSA Team are working hard to organise the next set of events and activities which we're hugely looking forward to in anticipation of more wonderful events...

Jazak Allah Khayrun!

Headteacher's Jumuah Reminders

The Prophet ﷺ(SAW) said, "Whoever takes a bath on Friday, purifies himself as much as he can, then uses his (hair) oil or perfumes himself with the scent of his house, then proceeds (for the Jumuah prayer) and does not separate two persons sitting together (in the mosque) and then he prays what (Allah has) written for him and the remains silent while the Imam is delivering the Khutbah, his sins in between the previous and this Friday would be forgiven."

Sahih al-Bukhari

Calendar Dates..

7 Dhu'Al Qa'dah1447
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