

The Al-Hijrah Times



Tuesday 6 February 2018

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Head Teacher's Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters, *as-salaamu' alaikumwarahmatullahiwabarakatuhu*

I would like to start with a reminder that our examination students are entering a critical phase of their preparations. Our dedicated staff are running booster sessions on a daily basis and even some on the weekend. Please, ensure your child takes full advantage of this by attending every session if they have been asked to do so. Please ensure they have a suitable learning area at home and are making full use of it.

By us all working together, we can ensure they are successful in this critical phase of their education. Parents are always welcome to Al-Hijrah if they need support in helping our children.

On the 18th January 2018 there was a charity fundraiser for Somalia and Yemen, it turned to be a great success and as a School, Alhamdu'lillah we managed to raise over a thousand pounds. I would like to thank staff, parents and pupils for their efforts. May Allah bless them and relieve our brothers and sister's hardships in Somalia and Yemen, Ameen.

Last week, pupils were selected from years 6, 7 and 8 who took part in the residential to Aberdovey. They followed a rigorous programme of challenging activities; Pupils and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and no doubt will have many stories to tell. I would like to thank all the staff as I know it was quite a challenge to organise the trip this year.

This week, selected pupils from years 9, 10 and 11 took part in the national competition, UKMT maths challenge. We wish them every success and look forward to their achievements.

As always, please keep us in your du'as as we keep you in ours; may Allah (SWT) protect, guide and grant us His Mercy, Aameen

Br. Arshad Mohammed

Get in Contact/Parent Matters

Your first point of call is the Class/Form Tutor. After this, a member of the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) or Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) will deal with your query/concern. Please kindly note:

Br. Amjid Hussain	Pastoral Lead & DSL
Sr. Saima Khan	Assistant Head & DSL
Br. Shawkat Chowdhury	Deputy Head & DSL
Br. Arshad Mohammed	Head Teacher

Parents & Heads Coffee Afternoon

At Al-Hijrah we believe it is vital to know the thoughts of our parents. Following the success of previous years, we once again have dates for our Head's Coffee Afternoon (previously Morning). These will be held every second TUESDAY of the month. Parents are requested to email the school with topics which will Insha'Allah be addressed by Br Arshad Mohammed (Head Teacher) and Br Shawkat Chowdhury (Deputy Head Teacher). The next Coffee Afternoon is:

**13th February 2018 | Sunshine Room |
2:30 – 3:30 pm**

Entrance and exit will be from the Main Office (Burbidge Road) and parents must kindly sign in on arrival – please kindly note that parents will NOT be granted access to the main school building due to safeguarding and will be escorted at all times

Medical Information

All parents/guardians please inform the school of any allergy/medical conditions your child may suffer from. This must be done in **WRITING to the school**. It is extremely vital to know your child's up-to-date medical condition, so we can create a safe environment for them in school, Insha'Allah.

NO NUTS! For the safety of all our pupils, please do NOT send any nuts into school. A lot of our children are allergic to nuts and this measure will help to prevent cross contamination, Insha'Allah. Jazak'Allah hu khayrun for your support in this.

Please Note- Parents must hand in their child's medicine to the Main Office and **NOT** give it to their child to hand in to their Class Teacher. A record of all medicine entered in to the building is kept in the Main Office.

Cashless Al-Hijrah!

Al-Hijrah School is moving towards being a 'cashless school' and part of that process is to have pupils biometrically finger scanned in order to achieve a more efficient lunch time. Pupils use their finger print to collect a meal. This reduces the incidences of pupils losing their lunch money whilst aiding parents to keep a track on their children's spending. The main reason for this change, however, is to put in place a further safeguarding measure, as when a pupil collects their meal, by using their finger print scan, the system will alert the kitchen staff if they have any allergies, the staff are then able to further check if the meal and/or items selected are suitable. This is especially important if your child is eligible for Free School Meals. The scan of a pupil's finger is only stored within the school and is never supplied to anyone outside the school. It is not used for any other purpose and is deleted when a pupil leaves the school.

For Parents wishing to activate their ParentPay accounts, please contact Br. Mustafa in the Main Office.

Attendance & Punctuality	School Nurse	Riddle of the Week!
<p>Attendance is very important, and all schools are judged on this. The national target is 95%. Gates open from 8:30 am as usual, Insha'Allah. Please kindly continue to encourage children to arrive on time. School gates close at 8:45 am, pupils will be marked as late if they arrive after this time. Please note Secondary students will be issued with a break time detention for lateness.</p>	<p>It is vitally important for you to attend appointments that have been arranged for your Child with the School Nurse. Many Parents have NOT been attending them unfortunately, so please make a conscious effort to attend any appointments that have been made for you.</p> <p>After the child's home, school represents the second most influential environment in a child's life therefore, it is important we have up to date medical/ health information for your Child.</p> <div data-bbox="507 1227 817 1393" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="833 1146 1050 1563" data-label="Image"> </div>	<div data-bbox="1125 712 1476 952" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Last week's answer: A CLOCK</p> <p>Last week's winners: Mumina Kusar Hayatt Mohammed</p> <p>QUESTION: In a one-storey pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower—everything was pink! What colour were the stairs?</p> <p>PRIZE: First 3 correct answers to Br Shawkat will be rewarded!</p>



Important Dates!

- **Parent Teacher Association-** Every Friday, Main Office, 2.30pm- 3.30pm
- **Coffee Afternoon-** Tuesday 13th February 2018, 2.30-3.30 pm. Sunshine Room
- **Secondary Girls Vaccinations-** GY8 & GY9, 14 & 15 February 2018, Sisters Hall
- **Safer Internet Day-** Tuesday 13th February 2018, Parents welcome, 3.30-4.30pm, Main Hall
- **End of Spring 1st Half Term-** Friday 16th February 2018
- **Primary Parents Evening-** Wednesday 7th March 2018- 4-6.30pm

Turkish Airlines Birmingham school games finals – KS4 Boy’s badminton



Our Boys have qualified to represent the Central Sports Partnership at the Level 3 School Games for the first time! (Girls have qualified before but been unable to attend due to fasting). This is a great thing we should be proud of. Well done to Br. Tariq and the boys!

Our School App – Sign Up Free!!!

Please download ‘My Ed’ from the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Store and, search ‘Al-Hijrah School’ and sign up to our School App. You are able to send messages to the school in regard to pupil absence and retrieve notifications from School about events/important messages etc. You will also have access to School Information, Newsletters and your child’s performance data.



Abderdovey Residential

48 students took part in our residential to Abderdovey in Wales, between 22nd-26th January. Students took part in a range of activities including; jog and dip, mountain climbing, mountain walking, jetty jump, team challenges, raft canoeing, Gorge Walking, beach and forest camp fires. A tough and challenging experience where students had a great time and treasured some amazing memories.



A special mention to our Year 6 girls who excelled in showing Olympic and School Games Values; Hannan - Courage, Haniya - Excellence, Maira - Inspiration, Mahdiya - Friendship, Hana - Determination, Haiyah - Respect, Amina A - Honesty, Hiba - Passion, Alaina - Teamwork, Maryam - Self-belief, Emina - Independence and Amina N - Challenge. An amazing group of young ladies who showed excellent resilience and had fun whilst doing it!



Year 7 and 8 boys Started with a dip in the freezing sea, they then had an exciting range of challenges which included hill walking, rock climbing, abseiling, team building and making night fires on the beach. After some delicious meals and night prayers pupils fell into an exhausted sleep. No doubt, pupils learned valuable lessons about team work and began to wake up to their individual amazing potential. Let's see who is ready for the icy seas on next year's trip!!

Magical Maths- After-School Club

Magical Maths is an afterschool maths programme exclusively for primary aged children. Your child will witness mind blowing after-school sessions that will leave them ‘wowed’ and amazed. Magical Maths sessions are quite the spectacle; we’ve got a genius professor, world class detectives, mind reading magicians and eccentric athletes, all dedicated to making maths fun for your child. The following sessions have been booked for the KS1 & KS2 students of Al-Hijrah School. Please complete the forms that have been provided to your child today.

1. 05/03/2018 3:30 PM
2. 12/03/2018 3:30 PM
3. 19/03/2018 3:30 PM
4. 26/03/2018 3:30 PM
5. 16/04/2018 3:30 PM
6. 23/04/2018 3:30 PM



Pupil of the Week

Well done to the following pupils for getting Pupil of the week:

Class	Pupil of the Week	Class	Pupil of the Week
R1	Imaan Waheed Nusayb Ibn Yusuf	3b	Ahlam Osman Azaan Yusuf
R2	Zainab Islam Samia Ahmed	4a	Yusuf Hussain Anisha Ali
1a	Whole Class Shafay Khan	4b	Muhammad Amin
1b	Ayesha Tahir Abdurrehman Aghel	5a	Khubaib Khan Samiha Afroz
2a	Mustafa Hussain Maryam Ahmed	5b	Abdullah Ahmed Hamza Hussain
2b	Bushra Abdirmire Ayaan Yasin	BY6	Mohamed Esa A Mohammed Luqman
3a	Eshaal Nadeem Mustafa Mahmud	GY6	Afifa Mahdiyyah M

Other pupils were also celebrated for Writing and Times-Tables – well done to everyone, Masha'Allah.

Focus of the Week

14. Allah hates a quarrelsome person

عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهَا قَالَتْ: قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ: أَبْغَضُ
الرِّجَالَ إِلَى اللَّهِ الْأَلَدَّ الْخَصِمُ

Narrated `Aisha: Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) said, "The most hated person in the sight of Allah, is the person who is most quarrelsome." (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)

15. Do not hold grudges

قِيلَ لِرَسُولِ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ أَيُّ النَّاسِ أَفْضَلُ؟، قَالَ: "كُلُّ مَخْمُومِ الْقَلْبِ
صَدُوقِ اللِّسَانِ"، قَالُوا: "صَدُوقِ اللِّسَانِ نَعْرِفُهُ فَمَا مَخْمُومِ الْقَلْبِ"، قَالَ: "هُوَ
"التَّقِيُّ النَّقِيُّ لَا إِثْمَ فِيهِ وَلَا بَغْيٍ وَلَا غُلَّ وَلَا حَسَدٍ"

The Messenger of Allah was asked, 'who is the best of people?' He answered, "The one with pure heart and truthful tongue". They said, "The one with truthful tongue we know, but what about

the one with pure heart?" He Replied, "He is pious and pure with no sin who does not hold a grudge and stays clear of envy." (Ibn Majah)