

QUWWAT-UL-ISLAM GIRLS' SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Ensuring every child achieves their best through high expectations for all, with a focus on
Respect-Aspiration-Responsibility

Date: Tuesday 25th January 2022

Islamic Date: 22 Jumada Al-Akhirah 1443 AH

Term: Spring 2.1

Issue: 10

HADITH OF THE WEEK: Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "He who believes in Allah and the Last Day let him not harm his neighbour, and he who believes in Allah and the Last Day let him show hospitality to his guest, and he who believes in Allah and the Last Day let him speak good or remain silent". [Al- Bukhari and Muslim].

Assalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuhu

Dear Parent/Carers,

I pray this finds you in the best of health and Imaan
Insha'Allah.

We have been working hard to follow up all school
absences. Please only keep your child at home if they
have covid symptoms or are very unwell. We are
working really hard to close the gaps in your child's
learning caused by the pandemic.

Please continue to work with us to make sure your child
is in class and ready to learn each morning. This really
helps them to have a productive day at school.

I would advise you to keep washing hands, keep
distancing and keep testing via lateral flow. As always,
we are committed to placing your child's education and
wellbeing at the heart of all we do. We are here to
support you. Please do not hesitate to contact the
school if you have any concerns.

Regular updates on our school can be found on our
website:

<https://quwwatulislam.com/>

Kind regards,
Mrs Member

Face covering

From Thursday 20th January, face coverings are no
longer recommended in classrooms and teaching
spaces for staff, and students in Year 7 and above.

They were introduced in classrooms at the start of the
spring term as a temporary measure.

From Thursday 27th January, face coverings are no
longer recommended in communal areas for staff, and
students in Year 7 and above.

The government has said that this decision comes in
response to national infection data showing the
prevalence of COVID to be on a downward trajectory.
So, from today, face masks will no longer be required in
lessons and from this Thursday, face masks will no
longer be required in corridors or communal areas.

Clearly, it is good news that these measures are now
ending and I would like to say JazakAllahumul Khairan
to students, parents and staff for your continued
support with the management of the pandemic in
school.

Achievements

Muslimah of the Week **Week beginning 17th January 2022**

Reception: Sara Quadri

Year 1: Hafsa Choudhury

Year 2: Safiyyah Mahmood

Year 3: Hiba Nawrish

Year 4: Sumeya Abdalla

Year 5: Eshal Jabir Sulaiman

Year 6: Amana Abdullah

Year 7: Inaya Hasan

Year 8: Arifah Hussain

Year 9: Ifza Jannat Hadi

Year 10: Inaaya Ahmed

Year 11: Nusrat Hoque

Allah loves when one of you is given a task, that he or she does it in the most excellent manner (Ihsaan)



Attendance and punctuality **Week beginning 17th January 2022**

Year group	Attendance	Punctuality
Reception	83.9%	98.6%
Year 1	93.5%	98.3%
Year 2	92.9%	99%
Year 3	89.1%	96.3%
Year 4	96.2%	96.2%
Year 5	95.7%	97.8%
Year 6	92.8%	97.2%
Year 7	93.8%	96.5%
Year 8	91.3%	94.6%
Year 9	92.5%	97.5%
Year 10	92.7%	97.4%
Year 11	89.8%	96.6%



This week's overall Attendance: **92%**

Our overall Attendance Target: **96%**

Good attendance and punctuality are vital. At Quwwat-ul-Islam Girls' School, we aim to achieve at least 96% attendance and to be punctual for school in the morning and for each lesson.

Maths at home

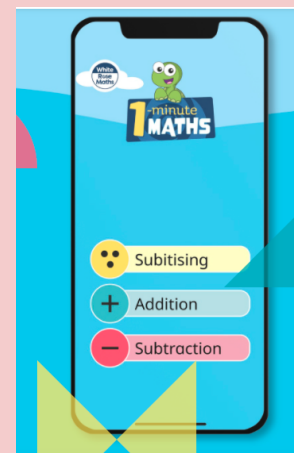


In addition to practising number bonds and times tables daily, you may wish to further support your children with their maths learning at home using the links below. There are great resources that consolidate and scaffold what your children will be learning in school.

KS1 (Year 1 & 2)

The brand new 1-minute-maths app is great for helping with children's number fluency in years 1 & 2 with a daily dose of maths in just 1 minute. The app is free to download and all instructions are available via the link below.

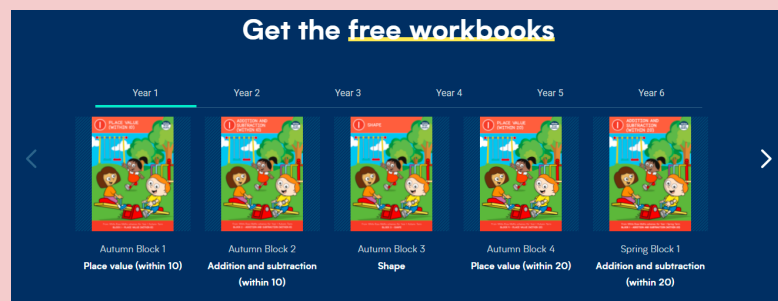
<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths#download>



Year 1 - 6

In the below link, home learning workbooks are available (with answer sections) to download via the website or Amazon free of charge. You will just need to choose your child's year group (1 - 6) and which topic they would like to practise. As we have currently just begun the spring term, it would be great to practise work from the autumn term to see what your children remember from their learning in class.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-resources>



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Dates for Diaries

Wednesday 9th February 2022

- Drop Down day

Thursday 10th February 2022

- Last day of half term

Friday 11th February 2022

- Teacher Inset Day (school is closed for students)

Monday 21st February 2022

- Return to school

Please be aware that these dates will be updated regularly.

The safety and wellbeing of our pupils is important. Here are some ways to help keep your child safe.



Children are bound to spend lots more time on devices during school closure. **DON'T FEEL BAD ABOUT IT** - lots will be schoolwork or catching up with friends. But there are ways to keep them safe, healthy and happy.

Don't worry about screen time; aim for screen quality

Scrolling through social media isn't the same as making a film or story, or Skyping Grandma. Use the Children's Commissioner's 'Digital Five A Day' to plan or review each day together.



Check the safety settings are turned on



Whether it's your home internet, mobile devices, consoles, apps or games, there are lots of settings to make them safer. The key ones are - can they chat to strangers, can they video chat or 'go live', are their posts public? **Internet Matters** has hundreds of guides to parental controls.

Get your children to show you their apps and games



You don't need to know all about the latest app or game, but if your child shows you what they are doing and with whom, you'll probably see if it's appropriate or not. Remember 18 games are not more advanced - they are harmful to children! For parent guides to apps, including recommendations for kidsafe apps and video platforms, search for **Common Sense Media** or **NSPCC's NetAware**. And why not download the BBC Own It app?

Don't try to hide the news about coronavirus



If you don't talk about it, your children might read inappropriate pages, believe scare stories or simply catastrophise in their heads. Why not watch **Newsround** together and talk about how they feel - there is guidance from **Childline** to help you.

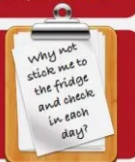
Remind them of key online safety principles



There are too many to list, but remember human behaviour is the same online and offline. Remind your children to be a good friend, to ask for help if they are worried or if someone is mean, not to get undressed on camera and most important of all... if somebody tells them not to tell or ask for help because it's too late or they will get in trouble, **THAT'S A LIE!**

If you aren't sure, ASK!

Your school may be able to give you advice, but there are plenty of other places to ask for help as a parent or a child, whether it is advice or help to fix something. Lots of sites are listed at reporting.lgfl.net, including ones to tell your kids about (they might not want to talk to you in the first instance).



Assemblies for Spring Term

Primary

Date	Year Group	Topic
07/01/2022	SLT/Teachers	Welcome back
14/01/2022	Ms Malik	Martin Luther King Day
21/01/2022	Ms Asma	Mother Language Day
28/01/2022	Ms Mahfuza	Holocaust memorial
04/02/2022	Ms Hafsah	World interfaith harmony week
09/02/2022	SLT/Teachers	UNICEF - Drop down day

Secondary

Date	Year Group	Topic
05/01/2022	SLT/Teachers	Welcome back
12/01/2022	Ms Siraj	Martin Luther King Day
19/01/2021	Ms Anwara	Make your dreams come true
26/01/2026	Ms S Begum	Holocaust memorial
02/02/2022	Ms Ismati	World Cancer day
09/02/2022	SLT/Teachers	UNICEF - Drop down day

Absences before or after a school holiday

If your child is absent before or after a school holiday, you must provide evidence explaining the absence. This may be medical evidence if your child is unwell or evidence of flight delays or circumstances beyond your control.

Without this evidence you risk being issued with a penalty notice.

