

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 8th March 2022

Islamic Date: 5 Shaban 1443 AH

Term: Spring 2.2

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HADITH OF THE WEEK: The Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) said, "No fatigue, nor disease, nor sorrow, nor sadness, nor hurt, nor distress befalls a Muslim, even if it were the prick he receives from a thorn, but that Allah expiates some of his sins for that." ~Sahih al-Bukhari

Assalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuhu

Dear Parent/Carers,

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

Jazakumullahu Khairan for your attendance at our Academic Review Day. We appreciate you taking the time to meet with your child's teacher/s, and we hope that your meeting provided you with some valuable insights into your child's progress in school and their next steps in learning.

If you have missed a meeting with your child's class teacher, please feel free to make an appointment through the office for an alternative time to meet with them.

Alhamdulillah, it was promising to hear some of the positive feedback given by parents about our school and their children's progress. We are always keen to continue to improve our school and we take all concerns and comments very seriously. We will be addressing any concerns that you may have, Insha'Allah.

We look forward to our continued partnership throughout the remainder of the school year, inshaAllah.

Kind regards,
Mrs Member

The benefits of Sha'ban, the neglected month

Sha'ban has always been a 'neglected month', since it is overshadowed by the significant months of Rajab and Ramadan. However, Sha'ban is packed with opportunities to maximise our good deeds and draw closer to the Prophet (saw) by sending Salawat (blessings) upon him.

Historically, momentous events also took place during Sha'ban which deserve to be commemorated.

Sha'bān is the Month in which Actions are Raised

On the authority of Usāmah ibn Zaid ؓ who said,
'I said, "O Messenger of Allah, I do not see you fasting
any month as much as Sha'bān". He ﷺ said,

**"That is a month that people neglect, between Rajab and Ramaḍān.
It is a month in which actions are raised to the Lord of the Worlds,
and I love for my actions to be raised whilst I am fasting".**

[An-Nasā'i]

The Prophet (saw) used to fast more during this month to gain extra reward. This is a reminder to us to pay extra attention to our deeds in Sha'ban and maximise our worship, rather than neglecting this month in favour of Ramadan.

By simply reading more Qur'an, praying voluntary prayers, and following the Sunnah of the Prophet (saw) by fasting more, you can strengthen your Taqwa (consciousness of Allah) and establish good habits in time for Ramadan.

Achievements

Muslimah of the Week Week beginning 28th February 2022

Reception: Bareerah Kapodrawi

Year 1: Maryam Bari

Year 2: Inayah Uddin

Year 3: Aaminah Rameez

Year 4: Haajarah Ahmed

Year 5: Ishana Munshi

Year 6: Zaynab Hafsa

Year 7: Samiya Abdirahman

Year 8: Saoda Hussain

Year 9: Samira Haque

Year 10: Hansk Fatah

Year 11: Hafsa Abkor

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



Week beginning	28/02/22 – 04/03/22
Academic Year	February 2022 – March 2022

Year Group	Attendance	Punctuality
Reception	84.8%	98.2%
Year 1	94.2%	98.4%
Year 2	93.9%	99%
Year 3	89.7%	96.8%
Year 4	95.3%	96.4%
Year 5	96%	98%
Year 6	93.5%	97.5%
Year 7	94.3%	97%
Year 8	91.8%	95.3%
Year 9	92.4%	97.6%
Year 10	92.9%	97.7%
Year 11	88.8%	96.9%



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

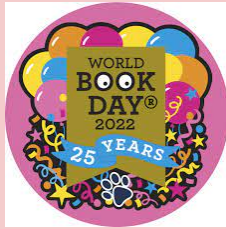
Our overall Attendance Target: **96%**

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.

Events

World Book Day

Thursday 3rd of March marked the 25th anniversary of World Book Day – a worldwide annual celebration of books and reading.

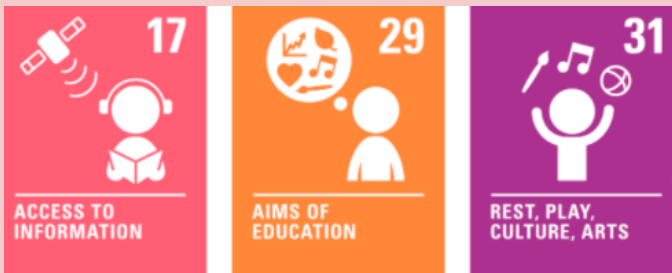


The aim of the day was to encourage students to explore the joy of reading and provide inspiration for their own writing.

To celebrate, the students dressed up as a character from a book of their choice. There were some wonderful efforts made by the children!

Jazakumullahu Khairan parents/carers for your efforts in preparing the costumes. Your hard work, creativity and enthusiastic support is much appreciated!

World Book Day also provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to reflect on how books are crucial for exercising several of their rights, in particular Articles 17, 29 and 31.



Article 17 - access to information from the media

Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

Article 29 (goals of education)

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures and the environment.

Article 31 (leisure, play and culture)

Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.

Check out these wonderful book character costumes by some of our students:



The winners for the best dressed book character from each class goes to:



EYFS - The chicks have hatched!

Our chicken eggs have hatched! Reception Class children had the unique opportunity of watching the chicks hatch. This experience was shared by the wider school community who were all eager to visit the class. From the very first day the eggs were delivered there was a buzz of anticipation. excitement and



British Science Week



British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths that will take place between 11-20 March 2022!

British Science Week, run by the British Science Association is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths, featuring entertaining and engaging events and activities across the UK for people of all ages. British Science Week provides a platform to stimulate and support teachers, STEM professionals, science communicators and the general public to produce and participate in STEM events and activities.

There are a number of activity packs, competitions and online activities on the British Science Week website for you to explore. The theme for the British Science Week 2022 activity packs and poster competition is **'Innovating for the future'**.

The packs contain lots of activities on this theme and are able to be used at home to reflect the potentially fluid movements around COVID-19 restrictions.

Be sure to check it out!

<https://www.britishscienceweek.org/>

National Careers Week



National Careers Week (NCW) is a celebration of careers guidance and free resources in education across the UK. This year's event is taking place **7-12 March 2022**.

The aim is to provide a focus for careers guidance activity at an important stage in the academic calendar to help support young people.

The NCW website has a whole collection of resources ranging from careers planning and printable to virtual careers fairs.

For more information, check out the NCW website.
<https://ncw2020.co.uk/>

Kidzania

On **Wednesday 9th March**, KS2 and KS3 students are visiting **Kidzania** to explore different careers and essential life skills, including teamwork and independence.

KidZania is an indoor city with immersive play areas that combine learning with fun. Once inside, children are given the freedom to be whoever they want and explore the unique city, created just for them.

Working collaboratively and independently, they are empowered to discover their passions, talents and skills through a range of educational, exciting and immersive experiences that are different every time they visit.

There are many jobs available for kids to discover, from an airline pilot to an actor, firefighter to DJ. Kids can work, play, earn and learn while having fun.

International Women's Day



What is International Women's Day?

International Women's Day is an annual event that celebrates all the amazing things women have achieved. It is a way to show how women have and continue to influence the world. As well as celebrating brilliant women, it's also used as a day to highlight and raise awareness about issues that women still face.

Historically, women have been denied the right to vote, to work, and lots of other things, too. Because of brilliant women who fought against these things, women have a lot more say in the world around us now. But there are still many issues that women continue to face and fight for today.

What is the theme for International Women's Day 2022?

The theme for 2022 is **#BreaktheBias**. The campaign asks you to cross your arms in solidarity to call out gender bias, discrimination and stereotyping. Together, we can forge women's equality.

When is International Women's Day?

International Women's Day occurs globally on the **8th March** every year in honour of the amazing women who campaigned for women's rights and those who continue to do so today.

Why is International Women's Day Celebrated?

It's extremely important to celebrate International Women's Day to honour and appreciate the different achievements that women have accomplished around the world, including successes in society, economy, politics and culture.

It's also a time to remember those who continue to go unheard and are prevented from reaching their full potential, as basic rights like health and education are still not recognised for some women around the world.

DID YOU KNOW....?

"The first person to embrace Islam was a woman; Khadija (ra).

The greatest scholar of Islam was a woman; Aisha (ra).

The person who loved the Prophet (saw) the most was a woman; Fatima (ra).

Despite misconceptions, the status of women in Islam is that of a beloved equal. In the midst of a deeply sexist historical context, the Prophet (saw) preached boldly on the importance of women; celebrating their unique contributions to family and society, condemning the ill-treatment of women, and campaigning for their rights."

HELPING
Little Muslims
EID CARDS FOR



Design an Eid card for the children and staff at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

- 1 Create a handmade card
- 2 Write a thoughtful message.
- 3 Send to; 65 Central Park Rd E6 3DW.

No individual envelopes please.
No larger than A4

Helpinglittlemuslims@gmail.com
#helpinglittlemuslims

Deadline 21st April



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GET CREATIVE FOR GOSH
Design a poster (ages 5-16yrs)

- 1 Make an A4 poster on one of the themes below.
- 2 Email us a picture of your poster (with name and age).
- 3 The 3 winning posters will be displayed at GOSH.
- 4 Don't forget to spread the word.

Deadline April 21st 2022

- What does disability mean to you.
- What does Eid mean to you.
- What can you do this Ramadan to benefit the community.



Scan the QR if you'd like to donate or find out more about what we do.
#Eidatgreatormondstreet
Helpinglittlemuslims@gmail.com

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"WHAT CAN I DONATE?"

BABIES	KIDS	TEENAGERS
Mobiles Jigsaws and peg puzzles Toys to stimulate the senses Developmental toys e.g. stacking cups and blocks Musical toys	Board/card games Jigsaw puzzles Arts and crafts kits e.g. paints, Play-Doh and stickers Toy cars and planes Construction toys e.g. Lego Dolls	Nail art kits Stationery sets Jewellery making kits Toiletries including body spray, hair & body wash, bath bombs for boys and girls Games

 **ALWAYS APPRECIATED**

- Pyjamas
- Blankets
- Duvet sets
- Books
- Colouring sets
- Headphones

 **WHAT WE CAN'T USE**

Any used or second-hand items, including toys, games and clothing
Knitted clothes or toys or anything that has been made at home
Over-sized soft toys
Large mechanical or motorised toys
Used magazines

TIPS

Don't forget the age group you're donating to is 0-18 years (teenagers are often forgotten)
If you donate chocolate/sweets, make sure the ingredients are visible due to allergies
Please do not wrap the gifts - due to infection control measures

Deadline April 21st

Please email us to let us know what you're sending, how much of it and when it will be delivered.
Helpinglittlemuslims@gmail.com #helpinglittlemuslims

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EID AT GREAT ORMOND STREET HOSPITAL

Last year we took gifts, food, balloons and your hand-made cards to 350 children, their parents and staff.
Get involved!

DONATE

Send your gifts and cards to our HQ or donate via our gofundme*

TAKE PART

Enter our poster competition for a chance to have your poster displayed at GOSH.

To find out more contact us at
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Dates for Diaries

Wednesday 2nd March 2022

- Academic Review Day

Friday 4th March 2022

- Book character dress up day (Book Week)

Monday 7th March 2022-Friday 18th March 2022

- Year 11 Mock Examinations

Friday 11th March 2022 – Monday 21st March 2022

- British Science Week

Friday 19th March 2022

- Comic Relief - Red Nose day

Wednesday 30th March 2022

- Drop Down Day

Friday 1st April 2022

- Last day of Spring term

Monday 4th April 2022-Monday 18th April 2022

- Holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 19th April 2022

- Return to school

Please be aware that these dates will be updated regularly.



Together we can change our world!
Disability Art, Culture & Human Rights

inspired
by 2012

Together! 2012 Clubs — free creative activities for Disabled people

Do you identify as being Disabled or having a long-term health condition, mental health condition or learning difficulty? Do you like being creative, or are you an artist already? If so, the free Together! 2012 Clubs programme, delivered by Zoom and phone, is for you.

Together! 2012 CIC is a social enterprise led by Disabled artists to create a Paralympic cultural Legacy for London 2012. It delivers:

- A free year-round Clubs programme which is led by Disabled people for Disabled people and their companions. The Clubs work on the basis that everyone has something to teach and something to learn.
- A free programme of exhibitions, performances, screenings and other activities led by Disabled people for everyone, funded by Arts Council England.

The Clubs, which are funded by the National Lottery Community Fund, include:

Art Club Make and Natter, **Tuesdays 11am-12noon by Zoom**. Bring your own craft project, or take part in ours using recycled materials.

Pop-Up Poetry Club, **Wednesdays 10.30am-12noon by phone**. Read, write and perform poetry together on a different theme each week. We call you and pay the costs.

Art Club Still Life, **Fridays 11am-12noon by Zoom**. We share and audio-describe a new image each week, which can also be sent to you by text, email or WhatsApp. Use whatever you have available, from a pen and paper to paints.

They also run a Photographers and Filmmakers Club on the second Monday of each month from 11am-12noon, and a Dance on Screen Club on the fourth Monday of each month from 11am-12 noon, both on Zoom. Poets and musicians also have the opportunity to perform at our monthly Zoom Together! sessions, which take place on the first Thursday of each month from 7-8pm.

For more information see
<http://www.together2012.org.uk/activities-programme/together-clubs/>

www.together2012.org.uk Facebook: together2012cic Twitter: @ukdptgether

Registered office: The Retreat, 406 Roding Lane South, Woodford Green, Essex, IG8 8EY.

Assemblies for Spring Term

Primary

Date	Year Group	Topic
25/02/2022	Ms Malik	Healthy Eating
04/03/2022	Ms Asma	British Science Week
11/03/2022	Ms Mahfuza	British Science week presentation
18/03/2022	Ms Chowdhury	Recycling week
25/03/2022	Ms Hafsa	World Water day/Ramadan
30/03/2022	SLT/Teachers	UNICEF - Drop down day
01/04/2022	SLT/Teachers	Certificate day

Secondary

Date	Year Group	Topic
23/02/2022	Ms Jamal	Mother Language Day
09/03/2022	Ms Anwara/Munshi	British Science Week
16/03/2022	Ms Anwara/Munshi	British Science week presentation
23/03/2022	Ms Siraj	World Water day/Ramadan
30/03/2022	SLT/Teachers	UNICEF - Drop down day
01/04/2022	SLT/Teachers	Certificate 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.

