

# SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER

ASSUNNAH PRIMARY SCHOOL



13<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Knowledge for Righteous Action  
*Ilmun Li Amalis Saaleh*

*Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi wa Barakatu*

## A Message from The Headteacher

Assalamu Aleykum students, staff, parents, and carers,

As we come to the end of another academic year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect upon the incredible journey we have shared. It has been a privilege and an honour to serve as the headteacher of this wonderful school, and I am immensely grateful for the trust and support you have bestowed upon me.

First and foremost, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Almighty Allah for guiding us throughout this year and blessing us with opportunities for growth and learning. As a Muslim, I believe every achievement we celebrate is a testament to His grace and mercy.

To our students, I want to commend every one of you for your hard work, dedication, and resilience. You have demonstrated exceptional enthusiasm for learning, and your achievements have been remarkable. Remember that education is not just about grades; it is about developing character, fostering empathy, and preparing for a bright future. I urge you to continue pursuing knowledge and embracing our values of faith, tolerance, patience, respect, gratitude and justice.

I also want to express my heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated teachers and staff members. Your commitment to providing our students a nurturing and inclusive environment is commendable. Your efforts, passion, and creativity have inspired young minds, shaping them into confident and responsible individuals. Thank you for going above and beyond to ensure that our students receive the best education possible.

To the parents and guardians, your unwavering support and active involvement in your child's education have played a crucial role in their success. Your partnership with the school has been invaluable, and I encourage you to continue being actively engaged in your child's educational journey. Together, we can provide them with the foundation they need to thrive academically, socially, and spiritually (Knowledge for Righteous Actions).

# Every day COUNTS!



School success starts  
with attendance



## Holidays during TERM TIME IS Forbidden

Although our attendance is very good, 1% of the school population takes holidays during term time. This is not allowed.

### Leave of Absence During Term Time

Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 states that:

"The parent of every child of compulsory school age shall cause him to receive efficient full-time education suitable... to his age, ability and aptitude, and ... to any special educational needs he may have, either by regular attendance at school or otherwise."

Regular and punctual attendance of pupils at school is both a legal requirement and essential for pupils to maximise their educational opportunities. The school will not authorise a leave of absence during the term unless there are exceptional circumstances. In law, if a person with parental responsibility fails to secure a child's attendance at a school where they are a registered pupil, the school does not authorise that absence. A fixed penalty notice may be served. Penalty Notices supplement the existing sanctions currently available under Section 444, Education Act 1996 or Section 36, the Children's Act 1989, to enforce attendance at school where appropriate subject to statutory defences.

For safeguarding reasons, we ask parents to complete a leave of absence form (available from the school office) for any leave of absence during term time.

# Student WORK EXPERIENCE

At Assunnah Primary School, this year, we have encouraged our year 6 children to apply to carry out work experience within the school. Children are expected to give up some of their lesson time during the afternoons twice a week to complete these sessions.

Children applied and have been interviewed and gained positions of responsibility which include: working in classes with younger children, helping with the school's administration and giving computing guidance to staff and students.

Suppose the children show dedication and succeed in working for ten sessions. In that case, their success is celebrated during the farewell assembly, and they are rewarded with a certificate for their efforts!

The children thoroughly enjoy their roles, and we wish our new employees' luck in Secondary!

**Safeguarding is  
Everyone's  
Responsibility**

**NSPCC**

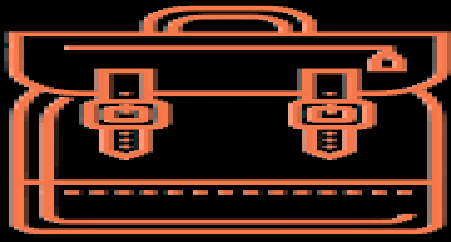
Speak out. Stay safe.



We are excited to inform you about a recent workshop at our school, organised in collaboration with the NSPCC (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children). The NSPCC workshop focused on raising awareness and providing essential information on various types of abuse children may encounter, including physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, bullying, and online safety. During the workshop, our students could engage in interactive discussions, participate in age-appropriate activities, and learn valuable strategies to protect themselves from potential risks.

The NSPCC resources provided expert guidance and practical advice, empowering our students with the knowledge and skills to navigate the digital world and promote respectful and caring relationships. We believe that it is crucial to equip our students with the tools to stay safe and develop healthy relationships, both online and offline. By partnering with organisations like the NSPCC, we aim to create a supportive and secure environment for our school community. We encourage you to continue the conversation at home by discussing the topics covered in the workshop with your child. Open dialogue about these important issues will further reinforce the messages and help establish a culture of safety and respect.





# CLASS TRIPS

We wanted to highlight the significant benefits your child has gained from the class trips we organised this term. These trips have been carefully selected to provide valuable educational experiences beyond the classroom and help students see the real-world applications of what they learn in the classroom. They offer hands-on, experiential learning opportunities that bring subjects to life.

Moreover, trips create lasting memories that students will cherish for years. These experiences often serve as powerful sources of inspiration and motivation. They can ignite a passion for learning, spark new interests, and influence future career choices.



Reception Class visited the aquarium and it was linked to under the sea topic.



Year 1 have been to the Zoo for which was linked to their science topic





As part of their science topic, Year 2 children visited Kew Gardens to explore and gain a greater depth of knowledge about plants and greenhouses.



Year 3 and 4 have been to the British Museum. They went to explore Ancient Egypt gallery which was linked to the Ancient Egyptians topic in history.



Year 5 and 6 for their topic of Earth, Space and Moon, in science they visited the Royal Observatory, Greenwich.



Another very 2023 Successful Sports Day!

# SPORTS DAY

The sports day brought together our entire school community, from enthusiastic students to supportive parents and dedicated staff members. The atmosphere was electric as students participated in various sporting activities, showcasing their skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Our sports day wouldn't have been possible without our parents' incredible support and participation. Your presence and enthusiasm added to the vibrant atmosphere and created a sense of community that is truly special.

We would also like to thank our dedicated staff members who worked tirelessly to organise and facilitate the event, specifically Ustadha Manal, for organising for the Early Years and Ustadh Ahcene for the Primary. Their commitment to providing our students a memorable and enjoyable experience was evident throughout the day.

We hope that our students had a fantastic time and that the memories they made during sports day will stay with them for years. We encourage you to continue supporting your child's involvement in physical activities and promoting a love for sports.



# Hajj Assembly at Assunnah



As part of our efforts to foster a deep understanding and appreciation of our faith, we have organised an assembly to commemorate the days of Dul Hija. As Muslims, Hajj is a time of reflection, devotion, and unity, and we aim to instil these values in our students. Through various activities and performances, we delved into the teachings of the Quran and highlight its profound influence on the Hajj experience.

As we embarked on this educational journey, we shared a few inspiring Quranic verses that encapsulate the essence of Hajj:

وَأَذِّنْ فِي النَّاسِ بِالْحَجِّ يَأْتُوكَ رِجَالًا وَعَلَىٰ كُلِّ ضَامِرٍ يَأْتِينَ مِنْ كُلِّ فَجٍّ عَمِيقٍ ٢٧

"And proclaim to the people the Hajj [pilgrimage]; they will come to you on foot and every lean camel; they will come from every distant pass." (Quran 22:27). This verse reminds us of the universal nature of Hajj, bringing people from all walks of life together in the worship of Allah.

لِيَشْهَدُوا مَنَفَعًا لَّهُمْ وَيَذْكُرُوا اسْمَ اللَّهِ فِي أَيَّامٍ مَّعْلُومَاتٍ عَلَىٰ مَا رَزَقَهُمْ مِنْ بَهِيمَةِ الْأَنْعَامِ فَكُلُوا مِنْهَا وَأَطْعِمُوا الْبَائِسَ الْفَقِيرَ

"That they may witness benefits for themselves and mention the name of Allah on known days over what He has provided for them of [sacrificial] animals." (Quran 22:28). Here, we understand the significance of sacrifice and gratitude during Hajj, as well as the importance of remembering Allah's blessings. Allah SW also said

الْيَوْمَ أَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِينَكُمْ وَأَتَمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِي وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمُ الْإِسْلَامَ دِينًا

Today I have perfected your faith for you, completed My favour upon you, and chosen Islam as your way.

This verse signifies the completion and perfection of the Islamic religion, indicating that the essential teachings and principles of Islam were revealed in their final form. It highlights the Islamic message's finality and the religion's comprehensive nature, which provides guidance for all aspects of life. May Allah SW forgive our sins and allow us to reach many forthcoming Eids with Taqwa. Ameen.



# Summer Picnic A Memorable Event



I am sure the whole school community had a fantastic time at our recently held Whole School Picnic. The picnic was joyous, filled with enjoyment, lovely food and an overwhelming sense of community. Seeing students, parents, and teachers come together to celebrate the end of the academic year was a wonderful testament to the strong bond we share as a school family.

## Assunnah Nursery



I am delighted to share with you the remarkable success that our nursery has achieved this year. It has been incredibly fulfilling and rewarding witnessing the growth and development of each child under our care. Our dedicated team of teachers, key workers, and their leader has worked tirelessly to create a nurturing and stimulating environment for your little ones. Through their expertise and commitment, we have seen significant strides in various aspects of your children's lives. As we look ahead, we remain committed to maintaining our high standards and continuously improving our teaching. We will continue to invest in our educators' professional development and update our curriculum to stay at the forefront of early childhood education.





2023  
class of

Congratulations Graduates!

