



NEWSLETTER

**Where education is more than what you know,
it's who you can become...**

Asalaam Alaikum Parents and Carers,

Alhamdullilah, it has been a very enjoyable term and all the staff and children have participated enthusiastically in the teaching and learning! It has been a pleasure to see the EYFS cohort settle well and practise their early reading and early mathematics skills. The Key Stage 1 children have been working hard at building their phonetical knowledge and improving their comprehension skills. The Year 3s have been busy developing their writing skills, and have enjoyed reading challenging key texts in English. Our Year 4s continue to practice their timetables and are working hard at improving their arithmetic and reasoning skills in mathematics. The children in Year 5 have been working hard at developing their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills, and are enjoying reading books of different genres. They enjoy problem-solving activities in both mathematics and science.

The children in EYFS enjoyed and consolidated their learning about people who help us, by a visit by the local Fire Engine; the Year 1's confidently developed their map skills learning about their local area and visit to the Royal Airforce Museum. Our Year 2's enjoyed a fantastic day at Windsor Castle, learning all about the Royals. Year 3 visited the Chiltern Open Air Museum and All Saints Church. Year 4 enjoyed dressing in theme for Ancient Egyptian Day and participated in many learning activities, and our Year 5's had a themed event, where they learnt all about the Ancient Greeks. All these experiences have been very successful and loved, helping our children to learn in a more interactive and creative way!

This term, we focused on our school values: compassion and respect, as well our British values. We reflected on many 'think questions', shared relevant Quranic verses, read different stories and practised mindfulness during PSHE lessons. Our values for the spring term are gratitude and service-kindly spend some time discussing these with your children over the holidays.

Also this term, our teachers supported pupil wellbeing and pupil voice during pastoral meetings. These meetings help us to understand our children better so we are able to support them academically, socially and morally.

The rest of the newsletter will showcase our happy, healthy and successful children, canvassed during learning in school and for educational experiences, trips and visits organised this term.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and kindness at Hujjat Primary School.

Wishing you all a lovely winter break Insha'Allah.

Mr Syed & Mrs Saad

Our faith and values

Asalaam Alaykum,

Alhamdulillah, all praise to Allah (SWT), for the fantastic first term of our academic year at Hujjat Primary School. It has been wonderful to see children settling into their new classes and building their virtues and values through everyday experiences at school.

This term, we have focused on the values of compassion and respect through verses from the Holy Quran, stories from the Prophet and every day examples. Alhamdulillah, all praise is to Allah (SWT), that children have shown a growth in these values, trying hard to implement what they learn through their words and actions with each other, with staff and with visitors.

Values Buddies

To help encourage children to continue to build on their values at home, we have continued our values buddies, launched as the Lady Asiyah Project last year. We learnt that Lady Asiyah had taken care and nurtured Prophet Musa after finding him in a basket on the river. Following in the footsteps of Lady Asiyah, each of our classes have taken in a 'buddy' to nurture with good values by sharing their experiences and learning. Each values buddy is an animal mentioned in the Holy Quran and it is wonderful to see the children talking about the stories of the Quran that mention their values buddy as well as teaching their values buddy all about the Quran and Prophet.



Prayer at School

It is wonderful to see more and more of our children praying salah at school as well as engaging in various reflective practices and dhikr throughout the day. Thank you to all of you who provided feedback or attended the forum to share your ideas to improve our prayer provisions at school. Alhamdulillah, we are pleased to say, children are really enjoying taking on responsibilities to set up the prayer hall and recite the adhan aloud. As we move through the year, we hope to implement more of your fantastic ideas Insha'Allah.

Engagement in salah is greatly improved by the presence of a volunteer prayer role model on Friday. We are so grateful to all the prayer lead volunteers who have dedicated their time and efforts this term and encourage more male volunteers to sign up to role model prayer at the school via the following link <https://calendar.app.google/3WX1yqoRoTxNWb23A> or by scanning the QR code. If you are new to the role, our faith lead will be in touch to talk you through the arrangements.



Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Celebration

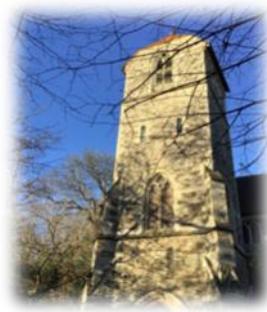
In the first half term, we made a special effort to celebrate the life and values of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) through sharing stories and teachings of the Prophet and creating art work, stories and poems. The children proudly presented a selection of the work in our wonderful Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Exhibition on parents evening and worked together to sign praises of the

Prophet through various nasheeds. Scan the QR code to hear an extract of their beautiful nasheeds!



Interfaith Enrichment

This term we were blessed with various opportunities to enhance our understanding of different religions. Reception, Year 4 and Year 5 enjoyed visits from members of different faiths, linking to their R.E. curriculum and Year 3 had the opportunity to visit the church as part of their exploration of the question 'What makes some places sacred?'



Reception have been learning about the story of Prophet Isa in Islam and Christianity. We were blessed to have a visitor from the Christian community come and share the story of Prophet Isa/Jesus from the Christian perspective as well as lessons about the Islamic beliefs around Lady Maryam and Prophet Isa.

Year 4 focused on the question 'What does it mean to be sorry?' exploring the concepts of repentance and forgiveness in Islam and Judaism. A visitor from the Jewish community came in and shared how these concepts are practiced in Judaism as well as giving the children the opportunity to ask questions.

Year 5 have been looking at the concept of giving and receiving within Islam and Sikhism. They had the opportunity to hear first hand from our Sikh Visitor how Sikhs practice these concepts and to ask questions from their learning.

Values in Practice

Building on our value of compassion, we were blessed with the opportunity to work with the charity 'Hand on Heart' to pack school bags for children in need in England and bags for the homeless. These bags provide the homeless with some much needed necessities for the winter and help our children to build on their values of gratitude for all they have, compassion for others and service to the community.



Spreading Joy to the Local Community

The Friends of Hujjat Primary ran a wonderful competition to design a card to be distributed to neighbours. The spectacular design by Kawthar Vi (3S) was printed for children to write inside and distributed to the local neighbours of Hujjat Primary School.



Alhamdulillah, the Amin Ambassadors and Choir had the opportunity to take cards to the local care home and share a nasheed about Prophet Isa with the residents at the care home. This was a wonderful way to spread joy and bring a smile to the residents faces.

May Allah (SWT) continue to bless us with the opportunities to learn and grow together in the values of respect and compassion so that our learning is more than what we know, it is who we become.

Praying you all have a blessed break Insha'Allah.

Mrs Jessa

Bedtimes Stories

Hujjat Primary School was transformed into a world of stories and imagination! Children were invited to come to school in their comfiest pyjamas with their favourite teddy/cushion and storybook. They sipped on delicious hot chocolate, and enjoyed special stories read by our teachers and parents!



Bedtimes' Stories was full of excitement and we loved reading the story 'The full stop that got away' by Laura Baker- Aaliya Year 5

Visit to Woodland Care Home

The Ambassadors and School Choir visited Woodland Care Home with Ms Jessa to perform a beautiful nasheed to make the residents smile!



We had such lovely voices! - Sara H Year 4



Exciting learning in Early Years

The children in Reception have had a very busy and exciting start to the year! They have made many new friends, learnt so many new skills! Now they're all settled beautifully in their classrooms.



I feel very happy and excited when I started school - Haydar Reception



Baking bread

One of our key texts was the fable of 'The Little Red Hen'. The children loved the story and enjoyed learning about how flour is harvested and milled. We worked together to write instructions for how to bake bread and then mixed the ingredients together. The children each got their own dough ball and decorated it with patterns. We baked it and ate it in the afternoon.



The bread was sweet and yummy - Leyla GH Reception



Harvest Soup

As part of our Understanding of the World, the children learnt all about Harvest. We looked at when vegetables are harvested, which ones are root vegetables and which ones aren't. Then we made some harvest vegetable soup! We chopped up all the ingredients, cooked it and enjoyed it in the afternoon.

My favourite part was when I was cutting the potatoes -

Muhammad I Reception





High-quality learning in Early Years



Gingerbread man!

We also read the fairytale of 'The Gingerbread Man'. The children almost had the whole story memorized! We loved making and decorating our own gingerbread cookies at school. They were spiced, sweet and so delicious! We ended this story with a hunt for the Gingerbread man around the school!

I liked decorating with icing - Arisha Reception



Fire Brigade

As part of our 'People who help us' unit, we also learnt about firefighters and what they do to help us. We had a special visit from the local Fire Brigade, where we got a tour of the fire truck! The firefighters then let us climb into the fire truck, wear the helmet (which was so heavy) and feel the special gloves they wear. We also got to use the hose and spray water. It was so exciting!



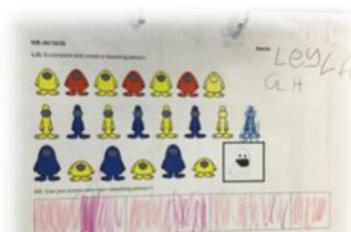
Learning superstars!



We are all so great at demonstrating our school values! Take a look at some of our fantastic 'WOW' pieces of work! Drawing club, maths and so much more!



Goldilocks was my favourite story for drawing club - Lilyan Reception



We hope you have a lovely Winter break!

With best wishes,

Mrs Al Sader, Mrs Aksouh, Mrs Navazi,
Mrs Gulamali & Mrs Dobra

~ EYFS Team



Key Stage 1's fantastic learning

Year 1's trip to the RAF Museum

Year 1 have enjoyed their key text and learning how to write short narratives. The children have enjoyed learning about the Wright brothers and even made their own aeroplanes! Year 1 also had a visitor talk via Zoom, with the RAF Museum to consolidate their learning about the first aeroplane flight.



It was a super trip and we were surrounded by lots of planes of many sizes—Lina Year 1

Year 2 visit Windsor Castle

Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Windsor castle to learn about the British Monarchy. The children had fun exploring the royal castle and went on a tour around the castle grounds. The children also took part in a workshop where they learnt about King Charles III.

*The Royal guards were so still—Hadi
Year 2*



Touring the Royal toy room was lots of fun! — Zahra S Year 2



We hope you have restful winter break!

With best wishes,

Mrs Laamri, Miss Babar, Mrs Mahir, Mrs Haider
Ms McKenzie, Mrs Al Shahib Mrs Jaze & Mrs Lalji

~ Key Stage 1 Team

Brilliant learning Key Stage 2

As part of our after-school enrichment programme, children took part in a wide range of exciting activities, including cooking, gymnastics, football, arts and crafts, and forest school. A wonderful opportunity for pupils to explore new skills and interests!



We loved cooking at after-school club. We made crêpes, sushi, cupcakes, and Eton mess, and it was fun to prepare and taste our food. Aya—Year 5

We enjoyed forest school because we got to learn outside, explore nature, and try new activities in the woods. Kawthar and Haider—Year 3

Sports and keeping fit!

Children in Years 4 and 5 enjoyed an exciting visit to Wembley Stadium to watch a live rugby match. They also proudly represented our school in both badminton and football tournaments. A fantastic term of sports, teamwork and unforgettable experiences!



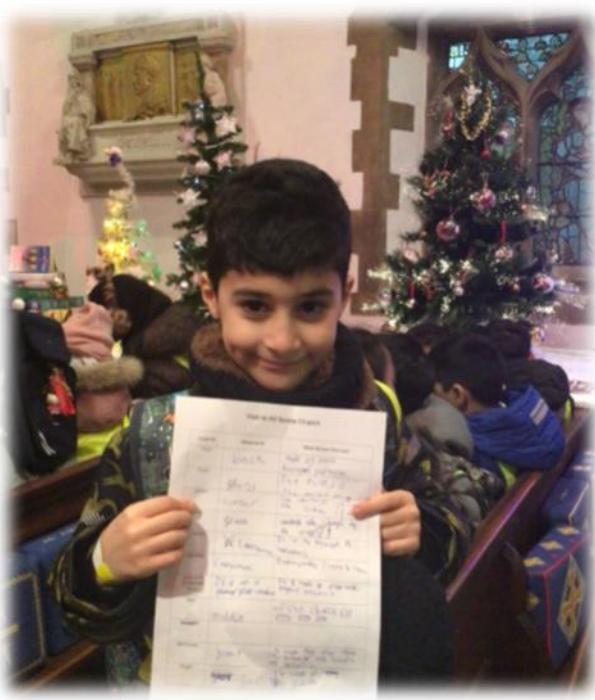
We loved visiting Wembley Stadium and watching a live rugby match. It was exciting to see the players and be in such a big stadium. Dawud—Year 5

We enjoyed representing our school in football and badminton tournaments. We worked as a team and tried our best. Amina and Ammar Ali—Year 5

Amazing learning Key Stage 2

Year 3 visit to All Saints Church

Year 3 visited a local church to support their RE unit on sacred places, learning about its features and significance within the Christian faith.



We enjoyed visiting the church and learning that it is a special place for Christians. We learnt about different parts of the church and why they are important. Zahra—Year 3

A Year 3 day away to the Chiltern Open Air Museum

The children in Year 3 enjoyed an exciting visit to the open-air museum, where they took part in fire-making, archery, and creative art activities. A wonderful hands-on learning experience for all!



We had lots of fun visiting the open-air museum. We tried fire-making, archery, and art activities, and it felt like we were learning about life a long time ago. Hadi S—Year 3

More learning in Key Stage 2...

Year 4 learn all about teeth and the digestive system

Year 4 have been learning about teeth and the digestive system, carrying out investigations to understand how digestion works and how we can look after our teeth. A brilliant combination of hands-on science and healthy habits!



This term, we enjoyed learning about teeth and the digestive system. We did fun experiments to see how digestion works and learnt how to look after our teeth by having healthy habits. Maryam R – Year 4

A day in the life of the Ancient Egyptians...

The Year 4 children enjoyed a fantastic themed day centred around the Ancient Egyptian Civilisation. Through engaging activities, the Year 4s learnt about mummification, hieroglyphics, Egyptian jewellery and artefacts.



We really enjoyed our themed day and learning about the Ancient Egyptians and doing fun activities which helped us understand how life was back then. Ali-Husayn and Masooma – Year 4

Amazing learning in Key Stage 2

Exploring materials and their properties in Year 5

Year 5 have been busy young scientists this term, carrying out a range of exciting experiments to explore different materials and their properties. They investigated how materials change, react and behave, gaining hands-on experience and deepening their scientific understanding.



The Year 5 children enjoyed a fantastic themed day centred around the Ancient Greek civilisation. Through engaging, hands-on activities, the Year 5s learnt about Greek mythology, pottery designs, and traditional clothing and artefacts.

This term, we enjoyed being scientists and carrying out experiments to test different materials. We learnt how materials change, react, and behave, and we liked investigating them through hands-on activities. Rayyan—Year 5



It was interesting learning about how people lived in Ancient Greece, including writing on wax tablets, making mosaics with small tiles, and mixing different spices to create medicines. Hana and Ali Moosa—Year 5

We hope you have lovely winter break!

With best wishes,

Mrs Emini, Mrs Rizvi, Ms Pricilla, Mrs Sookun, Miss Hassan, Mrs Shah, Mrs Siad, Mrs Shinwari, Mrs Saleh, Mrs ElHafedhi, Mrs Ootschoorn, Mrs Souillah, Mrs Naveed and Mrs Karim.

~ Key Stage 2 Team