



Al-Ashraf Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 – December 2017

Dear Parents,

Please find below a few updates to share with you at the end of term 2.

Full Attendance

Congratulations to the following children who managed 100% attendance in terms 1 & 2. Unfortunately some pupils have missed out on full attendance due to lateness.

Reception

Yasmeen, Akrouf
Khadijah Motala

Year 1

Yusuf Akrouf
Afsa Ferdous
Muhamamd Muadh Patel

Year 2

Aimen Ali
Hiza Anez
Aisha Bharoocha
Zainab Ghazafi
Maryam Hassan Omar
Maria Ouiles
Maryam Patel
Usamah Tilly

Year 3

Mehjabeen Ahmed
Muhammad Danyaal
Aamina Bulbul
Sana Mehter
Romaisa Moosajee
Umaymah Patel
Yusairah Patel

Year 4

Yaqub Berkouk
Abdullah Girach
Umair Iqbal
Ahmad Patel
Jareer Patel
Rahman Wadi
Aziim Shaikh
Urwa Susiwala

Year 5

Tahmid Ahmed
Aliyah Desai
Aaminah Motala
Aliya Patel
Maariyah Patel
Rumaeesa Piperdy
Sarah Shera
Husna Umarji

Year 6

Yusuf Bham
Yasmine Bouchireb
Yusuf Moolla
Nasir Ouiles
Safurah Pandor
Eshal Piperdy
Maryam Sharif
Muhamamd Veshmia

Charity Week

Once again Al-Ashraf Primary participated in charity week organised by Islamic relief during the week starting 30th October. Charity week helps raise money for orphans and needy children. In order to help this noble cause, the student council asked parents for donations. Members of the student council wore special Charity Week T-shirts and collected donations from parents at home time. The Al-Ashraf mums also kindly organised a bake sale and a non-uniform day also helped towards raising funds.

A huge thank you, jzk and well done to everyone who contributed to the fundraising especially the student council team and our amazing Al-Ashraf mums. A grand total of **£1101.60** was raised MA!



Madrasah Interim Assessments

These are the dates for madrasah Quran assessments. Please ensure your child revises at home. Pupils will be assessed for correct recitation, correct pronunciation of letters, confidence, and fluency.

Friday 5th January 2018 – Mufti ismail

Tuesday 9th January 2018 – Naseem Apa

Friday 12th January 2018 – MI Zahir

Tuesday 15th January 2018 – Naima Apa and Hasnara Apa

Friday 19th January 2018 – Sajida Apa

Friday 19th January 2018 – MI Abdullah

Monday 22nd January 2018 – Rashida Apa

Friday 26th January 2018 – Imam Hassan

Tuesday 2nd February 2018 – Rabya Apa

Tuesday 9th January 2018 – MI Zakarya

The Safar Academy book test will take place on **Wednesday 11th January** for KS1. KS2 will have their Safar tests from **Monday 8th January to Wednesday 10th January**.

Following the tests, a parent consultation will be organised informing you of your child's achievements and progress. However, if anytime during the year, you wish to meet your child's madrasah teacher, please feel free to contact the school office and we will be happy to arrange this for you. Alternatively, you can contact your child's madrasah teachers using the email addresses provided.

Parking

We have noticed that again a few parents have started parking their cars in the middle of the road area outside the school. Parents are urged to show due regard when parking on Stratton Road. Please do not park in a manner which will obstruct other car users or cause damage to their cars.

Hour of Code

We live in a world surrounded by technology. And we know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly depend on understanding how technology works.

But only a tiny fraction of us are learning how technology works. Fewer than half of all schools teach computer science.

That's why our entire school joined in on the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code, during Computer Science Education Week (December 4th-8th). More than 100 million students worldwide have already tried an Hour of Code.

Pupils took part in coding exercises designed to teach them the basics of coding, ranging from sequencing together instructions through to creating loops, adding conditionals using both event based and procedural programming approaches. The pupils enjoyed the experience, and demonstrated a real aptitude for coding.

We hope that you can support them on this journey through the activities on code.org which should help them to develop their understanding of computer science and prepare them with the necessary skills for the 21st Century.

See <http://hourofcode.com/uk> for details, and help spread the word.

School Hats – Topis

Parents are requested to make sure that boys are coming into school wearing school topis. This is a school uniform requirement just as it is for girls to wear their school uniform hijab.



KS 2 SATS Results 2017

Alhamdulillah with the grace of All-Mighty, the hard work of our students, staff and support of parents, Al-Ashraf Primary School can report excellent KS2 results for 2016. This year's results whilst not comparable with previous KS2 result shows Al-Ashraf Primary School having performed significantly better than the schools in the local area as well as national average in all key areas, MA!

School Name	% of pupils meeting the expected standard	Reading	Writing	Maths	Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation
Longlevens Junior School	70%	84%	75%	87%	93%
Elmbridge Primary School	61%	64%	76%	85%	72%
Kingsholm Church of England Primary School	60%	72%	66%	74%	72%
Robinswood Primary School	39%	50%	61%	50%	46%
St James Church of England Junior School	38%	62%	68%	56%	68%
Widden Primary School	15%	45%	15%	53%	66%
Tredworth Junior School	36%	67%	39%	67%	57%
Al-Ashraf Primary School	70%	85%	86%	75%	95%

Healthy Eating

As part of Al-Ashraf's healthy eating initiative, we ask you to send a snack with your child to school which is a fruit, vegetable or nuts. Please do not send them with cereal bars. Although some cereal bars contain real fruit, they can also be very high in sugar and salt. Also a reminder that all crisps sent into school during the week should be baked. Apart from Friday, fried crisps are not permitted.



Cold Weather

As the winter is rapidly setting in, temperatures are falling, we ask that children are sent to school with warm coats, gloves and hats.

Attendance

Attendance affects achievement

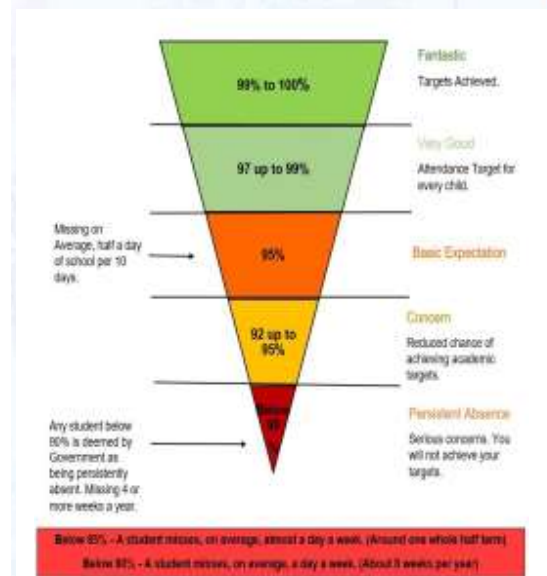
Did you know?

Research shows that higher student attendance at school is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Research published by the Department for Education (DfE) suggests that children with poor attendance are more likely not to be in education, employment or training when they leave school.

Lateness has a negative impact

Being late can:

- Disrupt lessons
- Affect achievement Being late adds up to loss of learning:
- 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year



Registration

All pupils, should be in their classrooms and ready to register at **08.40am**.
The governing body are considering fixing fines for parents if their children are repeatedly late for school

Upcoming Events

Monday 18th December – Tuesday
2nd January - **Winter Holidays**

Tuesday 2nd January 2018 - **Inset
Day**



Changes to School Leadership.

You may be aware that Ofsted visited us in November. As a result, there will be changes in the Leadership and management structure of the school. We will notify you of these in the new year IA.

School is closed for the holidays from **Monday 18th December 2018** and will reopen on **Wednesday 3rd January 2018**. This newsletter is also available on the school website. Please visit the following link to access it:
<http://primary.al-ashraf.org.uk/newsletters.shtml>

Finally on behalf of myself and all at A-Ashraf, I wish you all an enjoyable winter break.

JK
Www
Mrs K Jadwat

Happy Holidays!!!



Winter Sudoku



Every row, column, and mini-grid must contain the letters S N O W F L A K E. Don't guess - use logic



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		O	N	E	A	F	
		L	F		W	O	
	L	K				A	S
S		A				E	F
	E	F				N	K
		W	K		N	S	
		S	O	F	L	W	
	F			S			O



www.ActivityVillage.co.uk - Keeping Kids Busy



Winter Compound Word Search

WYYRESUHTARNGTF
DHFEDNIIFGAPNLI
DUQKORORZMXIMUR
EAVCOFUCWDMPOUE
YOEANI KOERYJLAP
JZYRTENOENGZLBL
DDSCBSVPYFISAUA
LUATBRPEXZVPBIC
JKDUWEEVRYIAWOE
ERTNPYLGKGGQIOLC
QNORMNCZNERWNFE
TAOCREVOVIHESZD
WINTERTIMEGMEEF
FMOUITGMESEOTNB
XDQGGJOYALNTTXKL

Evergreen	Peppermint
Fireplace	Pinecone
Fruitcake	Snowball
Gingerbread	Snowman
Nutcracker	Wintertime
Overcoat	

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