



AL ISLAH
Girls' High School

.....respect, educate, achieve.....



Assalamualaikum and a warm welcome to all parents, staff and students to our April / May edition of The Messenger.

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Al Islah Girls High School, Blackburn, Lancashire, BB1 6TF

The Messenger

A huge victory for the Blood Brothers!

Al Islah's Year 10 students were proud to show off their very own drama and performing skills on stage when they put on a production of Blood Brothers for the whole school and also invited mothers and sisters along to watch. The girls had worked very hard and the performance received excellent reviews from the audience. The staff are very proud of the Year 10 girls and each girl received 10 house points each. Well done!

All the money raised from the production will be used to purchase new books and materials for our school library. Please remember, we are open for donations of any books that are in good condition for our school library. Al Islah aims to encourage reading throughout our school as we hope to improve the level of literacy amongst our girls.

Year 11 Trip to Thackray Medical Museum

Our Year 11 girls recently visited the Thackray Medical Museum. This was a great trip organised by Apa Jamila and the girls thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The school also received a delightful report from the museum staff commenting positively on our girls' behaviour and manner. Well done to our most senior students for being outstanding paradigms for Al Islah.

We are currently organising trips for the rest of the school year groups too and parents will be informed well in advance. We understand that some of these trips can be quite costly and the school can arrange payments to be made in small amounts. It is also important to note that these trips are highly beneficial to our girls and helps them gain better subject knowledge. Inshallah, we hope to receive excellent feedbacks from these too.

Staff Updates

We have had some changes within our staff body. Apa Jamila who was our history teacher has left us to go on maternity leave. We wish her all the best and make lots of dua for her.

Apa Aroua has been offered a job teaching French at another school. We wish her all the best and hope she continues to be an aspiring and an admirable teacher to her new students. Al Islah will miss both of these hard working teachers. Apa Muzaila is now our new teacher for Arabic.

Al Islah would also like to welcome back Apa Khatija (who is currently covering Apa Jamila's maternity cover) and Apa Rizwana, who continues to teach science.

Apa Sabina and Apa Zainab are our new teachers for maths and the school has received positive feedback from both parents and students.

House Points Update

Fatima House	55
Zainab House	52
Ruqayya House	53
Umme Kulthoom	61

Well done to Umme Kulthoom House this half term! Keep working hard girls!

Admissions Update

We still have a few places left for admission in September 2017. Please contact the school admin if you are interested.

OUTSTANDING FEES

Please could all parents who have any outstanding fees contact the school admin immediately and arrange payments to be made.

Year 11 Study Leave

Our Year 11s will be leaving us on Friday 12th May. The students will then only come in for their final GCSE exams which will commence the following week.

On behalf of all the staff, governors and parents, I would like to wish all the students the very best in their upcoming exams and hope they achieve the very best. Inshallah.

There is a separate sheet attached to this newsletter specially for our Year 11 students on how to cope with exams during Ramadhan.

May Allah help our students through this very stressful and nerve-racking time. Ameen.

Lateness

Al Islah has recently seen an improvement in lateness and attendance from our pupils. It is vital that students are in school everyday as regular absences and irregular punctuality can hinder students' learning.

Please could you also ensure that appointments to doctors and dentists are taken out of school hours.

A Special Ramadan Message to all Governors, Staff, Students and Parents of Al Islah:

May Allah always guide you all throughout your journey in life. May Allah's immaculate grace and exceptional wisdom conquer your life as you celebrate this holy month of Ramadan. I wish this Ramadan will infuse you with courage that will help you be triumphant over the adversities of life. As you fast and offer prayers to Allah, may you find your peace and happiness.

Have a blessed and peaceful Ramadan!



Key dates:

- 15th May : GCSE Exams start
- Year 7 & 8 Trip and Year 9 & 10 Trip: TBC
- Friday 19th May: Staff Training Day (school will be closed for all pupils).

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

