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#### Welcome to the new Term

Welcome back to the new Spring term here at AI Islah Girls High School. Even though it may not feel like Spring, we are all still looking forward to another exciting term! As usual, we have a very busy term ahead of us and the staff are delighted to see the students returning back with such high energy and liveliness around the school. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new starters too and I hope they enjoy their learning journey with us at AI Islah.



# URGENT APPEAL

At Al Islah, we are currently raising funds to update our ICT room and the school needs YOUR help urgently. We therefore, humbly request your kind help and support in this venture by supporting us and making a donation. We strongly believe, this little support of yours will have a huge impact on the girls' education. This is an opportunity for all of us to donate and by donating to our School, you will be giving a wonderful Sadaqat Jaariyah to ensure that our girls', today and tomorrow, have access to a high standard of education in a secure and engaging learning environment.

The Messenger of Allah (Sal Allahu Alaihi Wa Sallam) said: "When a person dies his works end, except for three: ongoing charity, knowledge that is benefited from, and a righteous child who prays for him." (Muslim, Al-Tirmidhi, others)

Jazaakum Allaahu Khayraa in advance for your support. May Allah (SWT) accept your ongoing Duas and support, which are greatly needed, Aameen!

Please contact Apa Sameera in the school office, with your donations.

# Mid and Mock Exams

In the week commencing 15th January, the KS3 students sat their Mid Year Exams and the KS4 students had their Mock Exams. The GCSE students sat mock examination papers that they will be sitting in the summer to enable them to have an insight as to what the exams feel like. It was a tense and an apprehensive week for all the students.

The teachers have marked and graded these papers and most classes have received their results. All parents will be notified about the results in the Mid Year Report that will be given out next week. The report will also highlight comments made by the relevant subject teachers.

All parents are invited to the Parents Evening which will take place on the 5th February. It is highly important that parents or guardians attend this Parents Evening session as it enables you to meet with your child's teachers and ask questions about their academic progress.

## Jzk for your support!

We would like to say a special jzk to all parents that attended the Jalsa presentation on Friday 22nd December. It was wonderful to see so many of you attend and we hope you enjoyed the presentations.

The school raised a total of £500.00 which we donated to a worthy cause. All proceeds have gone towards building a shelter for the Rohingya muslims. The shelter will be named after our school. The school hopes to have many more fundraising events such as these in the near future.

# Punctuality Plea

Please ensure that your child attends school on time every day. Good attendance will make a significant difference to the progress that your child will make at school.

Please try to avoid medical appointments during the school day. We have noticed that this is increasing and it is disruptive to your child's education and to the school. Most medical professionals will arrange appointments out of school hours if you request them.

We would appreciate your co-operation on these matters.

## Safer Internet Week

Safer Internet Week this year is the week beginning **Monday 5th February**. During that week we will be reminding the girls of how to stay safe when they use the internet.



We will also be visited by a Prevent Education Officer for Blackburn with Darwen who will be leading an assembly and workshops with the girls. The Officer will also be leading an **Online Safety Parents' Workshop.** Further information will be provided at a later stage.

Please try to attend this Workshop as it will support you in ensuring that your children stay safe on the internet.

To raise awareness and in support of Safer Internet Week, we will be holding a competition for all students. To enter the competition, the student must answer a number of questions and design a 3D poster. Further information will be given to students in the week before half term so students can work on their projects over the break.

The best poster from each year group will receive a prize.

#### Key Dates:

2nd Feb: Reports handed out to all students.

5th Feb: Parents Evening for all Key Stages.

5th Feb: Safer Internet Week

9th Feb: School closes for half term.

