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# Secondary Schools' Friday Bulletin





## Headteacher's Message

Dear Guardians.

Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatulaahi wa barakatuhu,

We are fast approaching the end of our first academic term and it has been very busy and fast paced. However, with the end of term exams over and as we look forward to the upcoming break, I hope that you will take a few minutes to pause and reflect on what this term has been like for you as a parent and stakeholder. With this in mind we have created a survey in order to gather your views around key areas of our school life. I hope that you do take a few minutes out to complete this as it is incredibly important to us as it will help us drive our school development plan, which I hope to share with you in January. The survey can be found here; <a href="https://s.surveyplanet.com/SCzPOVPz">https://s.surveyplanet.com/SCzPOVPz</a> and the results will be anonymised.
Jazak'Allah Khair for your cooperation and input.

### Hadith of the Week

Abu Dharr (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: The Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) said,

"Do not disdain a good deed, (no matter how small it may seem) even if it is your meeting with your brother with a cheerful face." (Sahih Muslim)

## Upcoming Events

Wednesday 11th Dec StandUp! Against Discrimination



Workshop for Yr 9
-11 - Girls' School

**Fri 13th Dec**Arabic Language
Day (Half Day & Last
Day of Term)

**Fri 13th Dec**Parents' Evening
(Years 9-11 for boys' and girls' school

Sat 14th Dec -Mon 6th January 2020



Winter Holidays

**Tue 7th Jan**First day of Spring
Term

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### Young Roots Fundraiser Launch

For our very first Podium session, a few students from Year 11B talked about a cause close to their hearts: refugees. Moaz, Nasir and Khalid from Yr 11B, chose to focus on the plight of refugees as they come from countries with a large proportion of refugees worldwide: Sudan, Afghanistan and Somalia respectively. They were joined by Abdullah and Akram, also from Yr 11B who recited verses from the Quran.

The event was a great success and our guests from Young Roots were moved by the passion, conviction and sincerity of Moaz, Khalid and Nasir as they delivered statistics on refugees, the status of refugees in Islam and talked about the work of Young Roots as well as the Big Give campaign.

To raise money, we sold Krispy Kreme doughnuts and all 360 sold out! We are also selling greeting cards designed by a Young Roots refugee Shakoor as well as raising money online through the Big Give link and have until Tuesday 10th December to raise as much money as we can.

Please feel free to donate via the link below or purchase the greeting cards (picture shown on the front page) that will be available for sale in the school office: £3 for 5, £6 for 10, £10 for 20. All proceeds go to Young Roots.

By popular request, the presentation that the boys presented will be on the website for parents and visitors to read.

Fundraising Link: <a href="https://alkhairschool.org.uk/we-are-fundraising/">https://alkhairschool.org.uk/we-are-fundraising/</a>



#### **Merit Roll of Honour (merits & demerits)**

**Boys' School** 

**Girls' School** 

**Saifullah Gulzar** Year 7 **Zainab Din** Year 8

Shakell Mohammed Year 7

Izma Soobratty
\_\_\_\_Year 7

Sufyaan Chaudhry Year 8

**Sahlah Abubacker** Year 9

Mohammed Adam Year 7

**Zaynab Ahmed** Year 7

### STAND UP AGAINST DISCRIMINATION WORKSHOPS

On Tuesday, we had Zaynab Al-Badry and Talia Pins from Stand Up! Against Discrimination present a workshop for the Year 9, Year 10 & Year 11 Boys. They talked about discrimination and prejudice, the legal ramifications, as well as anti-Muslim hate and anti-semitism.

For many of our pupils, this was one of the first opportunities to engage with a member of the Jewish community and Talia was very patient answering questions about the Jewish faith and the similarities and differences between it and Islam.

Students were encouraged to reflect on their own prejudices and also report any instances of islamophobia, anti-Semitism or any other hate.

The Girls' School will have the same workshop next week Wednesday insha Allah.



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