



Al-Ashraf: Newsletter

"Branches in the Sky"

End-of-Term 4

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As we draw to the end of another busy term I would like to share some of the main highlights and forthcoming events with you.

Mums & Munchies - M.A! We raised a grand total of **£4204** this year and still counting! We would like to take this opportunity to thank all mums, volunteers, local businesses and well wishers for their contributions. JK!

Sainsbury Vouchers - Due to your kind efforts, *Alhumdulillah*, we have managed to reach our target of 3000 vouchers for the netball posts. Please continue to bring the vouchers in as other sports equipment can be acquired. J.K

Full Attendance in Term 3 and 4 -The following children have achieved full attendance in terms 3 and 4:

Reception - Ilsaa Ilyas, Faisal Deewan

Year 1 - Uzma Ahmed, Adil Desai, Aaisha Garda, Ruqayya Garda, Ali Imran, Adam Ismail, Abdur-Rahman Motala, Sulaiman Ouiles, Musab Patel.

Year 2 - Muhammad Kathrada, Ammutullah Motala, Ahmena Patel, Sauda Patel. Talha Shaikh, Zaid Veshmia,

Year 3 - Mohammed Ismail, Huzaifa Jaffer, Malika Ouiles, Hamza Piluji, Amir Maguire,

Year 4 - Hasanah Hansrod, Muhummud Aasim Jadwat, Yunus Moolla, Faizah Motala, Ruqayyah Panchbhaya, Unays Qureshi, Abdullah Vaid, Musab Veshmia, Chakib Zitouni.

Comic Relief - Alhumdulillah the pupils managed to raise £150 for comic relief by taking part in the red and white non-uniform day - J.K to all those who donated. The event helped raise the pupils' awareness of the millions of less fortunate people throughout the world and the importance of lending them a helping hand.

Nasheed Club - Hammad Patel Yr 4 has initiated a nasheed club where children can practice and develop their singing talents. Pupils are requested to make a voluntary contribution of 20p/session which will be used to purchase goal posts. I commend Hammad for this initiative. Br Atique Miah, our local poet also visits the school to share his expertise in this field.

Ragtex - In association with Ragtex on May 11th we are arranging a clothing collection. Donating unwanted items will raise funds for the school, help to clothe people in developing countries and reduce environmental damage. Further information will be provided nearer the time. Please bring your items on this day only. **Do not** send anything to the school before this date.

Golden Time - After the holidays the teachers have organised a range of enrichment activities for Golden Time. These will include art, cooking, sports, language, gardening, nasheeds, ICT/library and drama. This will go towards enhancing the school curriculum and encourage whole school integration. The children will be put into multi-age groups on a rotational basis so that they are able to experience different activities.

Administering Medicine - We would like to remind you that if medicine needs to be administered to your child, you must fill out a medical consent form which is available from the school office. Staff cannot administer medication without parental consent.

Holidays During Term Time -I would also like to draw your attention to our Holiday policy. A total of 15 days are allowed from Reception to year 2 and a further 10 days from year 3-6. Parents choosing to take their child out of school over and above this limit will have names taken off the admission register and a re-admission fee of £50 will be charged. Likewise, holidays taken without prior permission will incur a £50 fine!

Lunch Time Supervision- Lunch time supervision by volunteer mothers' has been monitored over the past six weeks and unfortunately the situation has not improved. As a result an additional supervisor will be taken on after the holidays and a further one in September. This means until the end of the school year, mothers will be called upon once every 12 weeks, instead of the usual six. To pay for the extra supervisor/s there will be a charge of **£4/child** for the rest of **this year** and **£12/child** from September. Please kindly forward this payment at the beginning of next term. From September, once both supervisors have been employed, mothers will no longer be needed for this duty. If however you "*pine*" for your lunch duty, we will not object if you come along and lend a hand!

Parents Evening - Year 2 & Year 3 - **Wednesday 27th April**. Reception, Year 1 & Year 4 - **Thursday 28th April**.

Videos and Photo Consent - From time to time pupils may be videoed or photographed doing various activities. We at Al-Ashraf are committed to the protection of the children and assure you that these images are used solely for the purposes for which they are intended - mainly

evidence gathering for OFSTED purposes. If you have any objections please inform the office and your child will be exempted.

On behalf of the school we hope you have a relaxing and peaceful holiday.

School will re-open on **Tuesday 26th April**, I.A. Do also note school will be closed on **Friday 29th April and Monday 2nd May**. (Bank Holidays)

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Mrs K.Jadwat.