

Muharram 1440 AH

Muharram is the first month in the Islamic calendar. It is one of the four sacred months in the Islamic months.

Muharram means forbidden.

The Prophet (saws) said, "The best of fasting after Ramadhan is fasting in the month of Muharram."

Some facts about Ashurah (10th Muharram)

Fasting on the 10th of Muharram expiates the sins of the previous year.

Musa (A.S.) was saved from Pharaoh by the parting sea.

Allah (swt) accepted Prophet Adam's (A.S.) repentance on the day of Ashura.

Prophet Yunus (A.S.) got out of the belly of the fish on the day of Ashura.

Imam Hussayn (R.A.) grandson of the Prophet Muhammad (saws) was martyred in the desert of Karbala on the 10th Muharram.

WELCOME BACK

We are honoured to welcome you back for the 2018-2019 academic year. We hope that all our students had a fantastic summer and are well rested ready for a new year at Iqra. The staff are excited and are looking forward to an outstanding year of student progress and achievement. Our madrassah is dedicated to providing our students with a well-rounded education of Islamic studies filled with varied activities, fun and a unique madrassah experience. Our goal is to provide a phenomenal experience for all our staff and students.

This academic year we are delighted to welcome our new teacher for class Marwa - Apa Humeira who has taught in local madrassahs for 4 years.

UNIFORMS

In keeping with Iqra's standards, we have decided to introduce a uniform which is compulsory for class Zam Zam and optional to the remaining classes. We hope that the new uniform will allow our students to feel a sense of belonging and pride in Iqra. A uniform will also make the children be easily identifiable to the wider community.

Uniforms will consist of the following:

Boys: White Jubba, **white** hat and **green** Iqra cardigan and **green** Iqra bag

Girls: Black Abhaya, **black** headscarf and **purple** Iqra cardigan and **purple** Iqra bag

We also hope that the uniform will create an atmosphere, which is conducive to learning.

Iqra cardigans and bags are available to order from the office and are priced from £9.99 per cardigan and £ 6.99 per bag.

Classes at Iqra

We are pleased to announce that due to an overwhelming demand, a new class has been established for the coming year.

Class Name	Teacher	Assistant
Zam Zam	Apa Mehfuza	Fatima Kauji
Safa	Apa Mubeena	Fatima Patel
Marwa	Apa Humaira	Nazia
Rahmah	Apa Syeda Rumaan	Syeda Zunaira
Noor	Hafizah Anam/ Syeda Abida	Noorjahan
Uhud	Syeda Abida/ Hafizah Anam	Noorjahan

Apa Amira will continue teaching Arabic to classes Noor and Uhud once a week and Apa Nazia will continue to teach Arabic to classes Safa and Marwa. Apa Rumaan will teach Class Rahmah their Arabic curriculum.

We are considering running a Friday Arabic class for Iqra students for those who would like to push on or concentrate their Arabic learning. Any parents that are interested are asked to contact the Headteacher.

BOOKS

Your child will be provided with all necessary books and reading material in the first week of Madrasah. We ask that payment for the books be made no later than the end of September. *Please note this payment can be made in cash without any handling charge.*

IQRA Management Team will always be available from 6:30pm on Madrasah days. **To avoid class disruption please do not approach teachers.** For any urgent issues, please contact a member of the management team on our new number.

HOUSEKEEPING

Can we please remind parents **to accompany their children and drop them off all the way to their class on time (5.15pm)**. Children must be collected by parents in person from the classroom on time (6.45pm). Unfortunately, last year we had a number instances where parents were more than 15 minutes late in collecting their children. Please note that any children not collected on time will be asked to wait outside the main office on the ground floor.

Iqra Staff INSET August 2018

Every half term we have a staff training session. This August we had an INSET for all the staff in order that they are ready to deliver the outstanding curriculum we have to offer in 2018-2019.



Fees Structure

In order to reduce the level of admin work, we have calculated a monthly fee to be paid on the 1st of each month. Please set up a standing order in the sum of £36.00 to begin on 01/09/2018 and end on 01/07/2019. Whilst the preferred method of payment is standing order, please note that those wishing to pay by any other method will incur a charge of £4.00 for each payment.

'Iqra'

The first word revealed of the Quran was 'Iqra' READ! Seek knowledge! Educate yourselves!

At Iqra Foundation, we aim to teach and educate each student of ours so that they love the deen and enjoy seeking knowledge.