Nourishing the fitrah of each unique child

Newsletter – Issue 11

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Assalaamu alaykum!

Headteachers Message

In the Name of Allaah, The Most Gracious, The Most Merciful,

We have now reached the end of the Autumn term and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Unique Academy pupils, staff, parents and guardians for the outstanding effort, hard work and commitment that has been demonstrated over the past 12 weeks.

Together we have succeeded in establishing good routines and supporting our pupil's holistic development as we continue to strive to nurture each child's *fitrah* and Islamic personality.

Please kindly support your child in completing their homework activities so that they can be ready for the teachers to collect in the new year.

As the year 2022 approaches, we are preparing for any changes that may take place, in line with government guidelines for COVID-19. We will keep parents and guardians up to date with any new protocols we may need to undertake.

During the break period, we kindly advise parents and guardians to take care and take up regular testing, as and when necessary.

School resumes on **Wednesday 5th January 2022** at **8:45am**, as usual.

I hope that you enjoy your well-deserved break and I make dua for the blessings and protection of Allaah upon all of our children, parents, and wider community.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Hawwa Mbombo
Headteacher

Assembly focus this week: The Story of Prophet Eesa Ibn Maryam (Jesus the son of Mary)

Eesa (Jesus) said: "*Verily I am a servant of Allaah. He has granted me the Scripture and has made me a Prophet...*"
(19:30)

Upcoming Events

Dates for your diary

Half - term break

Friday 17th December 2021 ends on Tuesday 4th January 2022.

School resumes on:
Wednesday 5th January 2021

SCHOOL NOTICES

Remote Learning

Currently, schools have been advised to stay open, however, we would like parents and guardians to be prepared in the event that schools are advised to switch to online learning or if we have staff shortages due to a spread of COVID-19 infections, or we are advised to do so by Public Health England. Children should have access to appropriate devises (and space) where they can take part and engage in remote learning.

Jazaakumullaahu khairan for your understanding and cooperation.

RSE - Parents Consultation

We are encouraging all families to complete our RSE survey to ensure that your voice is heard and that our RSE curriculum reflects how you suggest the school can approach this sensitive topic in an age-appropriate way. We are setting a new deadline of: **Monday 31st January 2022 to give an opportunity for more families to complete the survey.**

The link to complete the survey is here: https://forms.gle/bjiHEh2obvwd8RhTA

Jazaakumullaahu khairan for your support.

Break Closure

Please kindly note that the school will be open on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st December 2021 for staff to answer parental enquiries.

After this date, the school office will be closed for the break period and all emails and queries will be replied to on Tuesday 4th January 2022, in shaa Allaah.

Jazakumullaahu khairan for your understanding.

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COVID-19 Latest Update

If you live with or have been in contact with someone with COVID-19, you will not need to self-isolate if you're fully vaccinated – this means 14 days have passed since your final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine given by the NHS OR you're under 18 years and 6 months old.

Even if you do not have symptoms, you're strongly advised to do a daily rapid lateral flow test. (1 a day for 7 days), if you're fully vaccinated, to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

For further information please click on the link below:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/

Share Your Child's Work And Achievement With Their Teachers

We are listing our class teacher's email addresses for you to share your child's work which they complete at home. This is so that it can be added to their learning journeys or be counted as evidence when we are carrying out their assessments:

Ustadha Ayan	(Nursery AM)	nurserymornings@uniqueacademy.education
Ustadha Karima	(Reception)	receptionclass@uniqueacademy.education
Ustadha Asha	(Year 1 / 2)	ks1teacher@uniqueacademy.education

Vacancy

We have a flexible part time vacancy for a **Mid-day Supervisor** open for the new year.

Please ask any family members or friends who may be interested in extra income to please send an email to: personnel@uniqueacademy.education for an application pack.

Please note that Unique Academy is committed to safeguarding children and all candidates will undergo an enhanced DBS check, as well as suitability vetting checks. Jazaakumullaahu khairan.

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Taekwondo Certificates and Belts

Pupils have received their Taekwondo Certificates on the last day of term. Yellow tips will be added to the white belts of all children in Reception class and children in Year 1 / 2 will receive their yellow belts in the new year, in shaa Allaah.

Admissions

We are commencing enrolment interviews for Years 3 / 4, 5 / 6 for September 2022 intake.

Please encourage friends and family members to apply by visiting: https://uniqueacademy.education/admissions

Interviews and school tours will commence throughout the months of January and February 2022, in shaa Allaah.

Welcome and Farewell

In the new year, we look forward to welcoming Ustadha Sana Khan to our wonderful team. Ust. Sana will be our full time Nursery teacher, Early Years Coordinator and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL).

We say farewell to our afternoon nursery teacher, Ustadha Sultana. Ust. Sultana was a wonderful colleague who developed excellent relationships with the afternoon nursery children. We make dua that Allaah blesses all of her future endeavours, Aameen.

Ust. Sana will now become the key person for all children in our afternoon nursery class and she will meet with all early year's parents and guardians in due course. May Allaah put barakah in her work, time and efforts, Aameen.

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