



Nourishing the fitrah of each unique child

Newsletter – Issue 8

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Assalaamu alaykum wa rahmatullaahi wa barakaatuh!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Staying Safe During The Winter Period

- The weather is becoming very cold now and we advise families to take precautions to ensure that children are dressed appropriately for the weather by ensuring that children wear **gloves, scarves, white turtlenecks** underneath their school polo shirts and jumpers as well as additional items such as **thicker socks, earmuffs, and woolly hats**, if possible.
- Infections will be very common during this period, however, if your child has mild respiratory symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or a slight cough, but they are otherwise well, they should continue coming into nursery / school.
- **Norovirus** is a very infectious tummy bug that occurs during the winter period. If your child has a tummy bug with vomiting and or/ diarrhoea, please keep them off nursery / school for 48 hours after the symptoms have stopped.
- Please note that if your child is off nursery / school for a significant period of time (i.e. up to 2 weeks or more) you may be asked to provide medical evidence for the illness.

Bus Strikes

- Please be advised that there will be bus strikes taking place this week, therefore buses will be operating at a very limited capacity (if operating at all) and roads will be busier than usual.
- Leaving home earlier will help to avoid traffic.
- Parents may also consider car sharing to support the commute to school.

Reminder of the week: Anti Bullying

“O My servants, I have forbidden injustice for Myself and I have forbidden it among you, so do not oppress one another.”

(Sahih Muslim, 2577)



Upcoming Events

Anti-Bullying Week

Nursery Odds Farm Trip

Date: Friday 25th November 2022

Time: 8:45am arrival to school

Phonics & Reading Workshop

Date: Friday 9th December 2022

Time: 2:15pm to 3:15pm

Assessment Week

Week beginning:

Monday 5th December 2022

Parents Meeting

Date: Thursday 15th December 2022

Doodle Learning Drop In

Session

Date: Thursday 15th December 2022

Time: From 8:15am until 2pm.

Staff Inset day

Date: Friday 16th December 2022

Open day

Date: Friday 16th December 2022

Time: 4pm to 6pm

SCHOOL NOTICES

After School Extra Curricular Activities

Thank you to all parents who shared their club suggestions with the PTA. We are pleased to announce that after-school clubs will be taking place starting on: **Monday 28th November 2022**. To book your child's space for the club, please visit our extra-curricular clubs page here: <https://uniqueacademy.education/extra-curricular-activities/>

Parents Phonics and Reading Workshop – Rescheduled for Friday 9th December 2022

Our **Phonics and Reading Workshop for Parents** has been rescheduled to: **Friday 9th December 2022**. We would like to encourage all parents to attend. Please note that the session will be held on site only, however, the PowerPoint used during the session will be published on our website.

Parent Surgeries – Monday mornings

We will be holding open **Parent Surgeries** every Monday mornings from 8:45am until 10:45am starting on: Monday 28th November 2022. This is a drop-in session to discuss any queries or concerns and there is no need for an appointment.

Key Stage 1 Parents Reading Champions

We will begin our **Parent Reading Champions** with Key Stage 1. This initiative will involve parents being invited in to the class to listen to their child read during our Friday guided reading sessions and Ustadaha Nadia will support by modelling blending and asking comprehension questions. The sessions will commence on Friday 2nd December 2022 from 8:45 until around 9:30am.

We will begin this trial with Key Stage 1 and extend to other year groups next term, in shaa Allaah.

Nursery and Reception Parents Baking and Play Sessions Invitations

Nursery and Reception class parents will be invited to come into come for whole class baking and/or play sessions to play alongside their child. Play sessions will help parents to see how we plan activities to support children's learning and development within the EYFS and helps our pupils to interact with other adults, developing their PSED skills. Baking sessions will support the children's fine motor and communication skills development.

These sessions will be trialed on a Tuesdays and Fridays for the remainder of this term and will be extended to next term, in shaa Allaah.

Each week, 2 parents will receive verbal and written communication inviting them to come into the class for either a baking activity or to take part in a play session.



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Unique Academy Open Days

Friday 16th December 2022 | Thursday 26th January 2023

Our school open days will provide Parents and Guardians with a wonderful opportunity to visit our school and meet members of the senior leadership team. The tours will take place on **Friday 16th December 2022** and **Thursday 26th January 2023** from 4 - 6pm

- **Nursery**
- **Reception**
- **Years 1 & 2**
- **Years 3 & 4**
- **Years 5 & 6**

To book, please complete our online registration by visiting:

[www.uniqueacademy.education/
latest-news-and-events/](http://www.uniqueacademy.education/latest-news-and-events/)

We look forward to seeing you then, in shaa Allaah!

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