



# Noor Ul Islam Primary School

NOOR UL ISLAM TRUST (CHARITY NO 1017780)

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*As Salaamu alaikum wa Rahmatullaahi wa Barakaatuh*

## Head Teacher Intro

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In this edition, you will find important information from the PTA as well as valuable tips about the virtues of the month of Muharram.

Mohi Uddin Ahmed  
Head teacher

## ▲ Message from the PTA

Noor Ul Islam Parent Teacher Association (PTA) has been running for over a year now and has raised much needed funds for the school. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, Nayer Afzal, Parent Governor and the new Chair of the PTA. I have been working with Noor Ul Islam for the past couple of years as a parent governor and have found the role very rewarding. It is a pleasure to serve the school and I pray that together we can make the school become a bigger success in the coming years.

The school is solely funded by fees and every year we have a shortfall which is usually raised via fundraising events. It is the role of the PTA to find new and innovative ways to raise funds for the school, improve communication between the school and parents and organise events and activities over the year. The PTA in conjunction with the school has always managed to raise funds, which are used to fund various projects. Most recently the PTA dinner raised around £13,000 which will be used by the school for various projects/activities. The PTA have also set up a library which will be up and running soon Insha Allah. This year, the PTA would like to fundraise for specific projects for example a traverse wall to enhance the playground amongst other things.

If you have time and would like to help us raise much needed funds for the school, then please join the PTA and be an active participants in supporting the school. We are looking for at least 4/5 new members. However, if you are unable to commit to being part of the PTA, which will require to attend meeting at least once a month, then please signed up as a PTA volunteer, who we will call upon to help us to run fundraising events and activities. Anyone interested please inform your child's teacher by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011**. We are planning to hold a cake sale event on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2011, therefore would appreciate new volunteers to come on board.

I am planning to hold regular 'parents surgeries' where parents can come along and discuss any issues concerning their children's progress and well being. The first surgery is scheduled to take place insha Allah on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9:30am** at the school and the topic will be on the anti-bullying policy - (draft). A copy can be found on the school website and is open for consultation until **Friday 9 December 2011**. Please do come along and meet the new PTA team, your support and help in our forthcoming events will be very much appreciated.

**Current PTA Members:** Nayer Afzal—Chair  
Idrees Stone—Secretary  
Waheeda Mansha—Treasurer

**Committee Members:** Yasmin Mansha, Seema Vawda and Mushtaq Ather

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At Noor Ul Islam Primary School, we always aim to present the best Islamic manners and to always be caring, courteous, polite and considerate towards each other.

# Muharram 1433

The month of Muharram is the first month of the Arabic year, and it is one of the four sacred months of Allaah. Allaah says (interpretation of the meaning):

“ Verily, the number of months with Allaah is twelve months (in a year), so was it ordained by Allaah on the Day when He created the heavens and the earth; of them four are Sacred, (i.e. the 1st, the 7th, the 11th and the 12th months of the Islâmic calendar). That is the right religion, so wrong not yourselves therein...” [al-Tawbah 9:36]

Al-Bukhaari (3167) and Muslim (1679) narrated from Abu Bakrah (may Allaah be pleased with him) that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: “The division of time has turned to its original form which was current the day Allaah created the heavens and earth. The year consists of twelve months of which four are sacred: three consecutive months, Dhu’l-Qa’dah, Dhu’l-Hijjah and Muharram, and Rajab of Mudar which comes between Jumada and Sha’baan.”

It was proven from the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) that the best fasting after Ramadaan is fasting in the month of Muharram. It was narrated that Abu Hurayrah (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: The Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: “The best fasting after Ramadaan is the month of Allaah Muharram, and the best prayer after the obligatory prayer is prayer at night.” Narrated by Muslim, 1163.

With regard to the phrase “the month of Allaah”, mentioning the month in conjunction with Allaah is a sign of its great status. Al-Qaari said: it seems that what is meant is all of the month of Muharram. But it was proven that the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) did not fast any month in full apart from Ramadaan, so this hadeeth is to be understood as meaning that it is encouraged to fast a lot in the month of Muharram, not to fast the whole month. Allaah knows best.  
*(Taken from Islam-qa.com)*

## Fasting on ‘Aashooraa’ (10th Muharram)

Abd-Allaah ibn ‘Abbaas (RA) said: “When the Messenger of Allaah (SAW) fasted on ‘Aashooraa’ and commanded the Muslims to fast as well, they said, ‘O Messenger of Allaah, it is a day that is venerated by the Jews and Christians.’ The Messenger of Allaah (SAW) said, ‘If I live to see the next year, InshaAllaah, we will fast on the ninth day too.’ But it so happened that the Messenger of Allaah (SAW) passed away before the next year came.” *(Reported by Muslim, 1916).*

Furthermore, The Prophet (SAW) said: “For fasting the day of ‘Aashooraa’, I hope that Allaah will accept it as expiation (of sins) for the year that went before.” (Reported by Muslim, 1976).

Imaam al-Nawawi (RH) said regarding this day: “It expiates for all minor sins, i.e it brings forgiveness of all sins except major sins.” Sahih Muslim 1162

## Eid Parties

With both Eid parties being a huge success this academic year, the school would like to thank all the parents who have gone out of their way to support us.

The children have raised £75.71 during the recent Eid party which has been donated to the Great Ormond Street Children’s Hospital.

The children and staff enjoyed delicious food and had great fun on both days! Without the continuous support of the wonderful parents such events would not have been possible. JazakAllah Khair.

## Drugs Education

As any Primary school in England we have a duty to have the correct policies in place. One of the policies we have is the ‘Drugs Education’ policy which covers the role our school plays in teaching our young children about drugs.

Drugs education normally takes place in PSHE and Science lessons however we also have guest speakers coming into classrooms to give their take on drugs. The bulk of teaching drugs will take place in Year 6.

The school would also like to remind parents that the primary role of drugs education lies with parents and we encourage you to speak openly about such issues at home before your child enters Secondary education.

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*(Sahih Muslim 1976)*

### Autumn Term

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#### Key Dates:

Parents Evening

12th & 13th Dec.

2011- Reception,

Year 1, Year 4 and

Year 5

Parents Evening

14th & 15th Dec.

2011- Year 2, Year

3 and Year 6

### School Trips

13th December

Year 2

Natural History

Museum