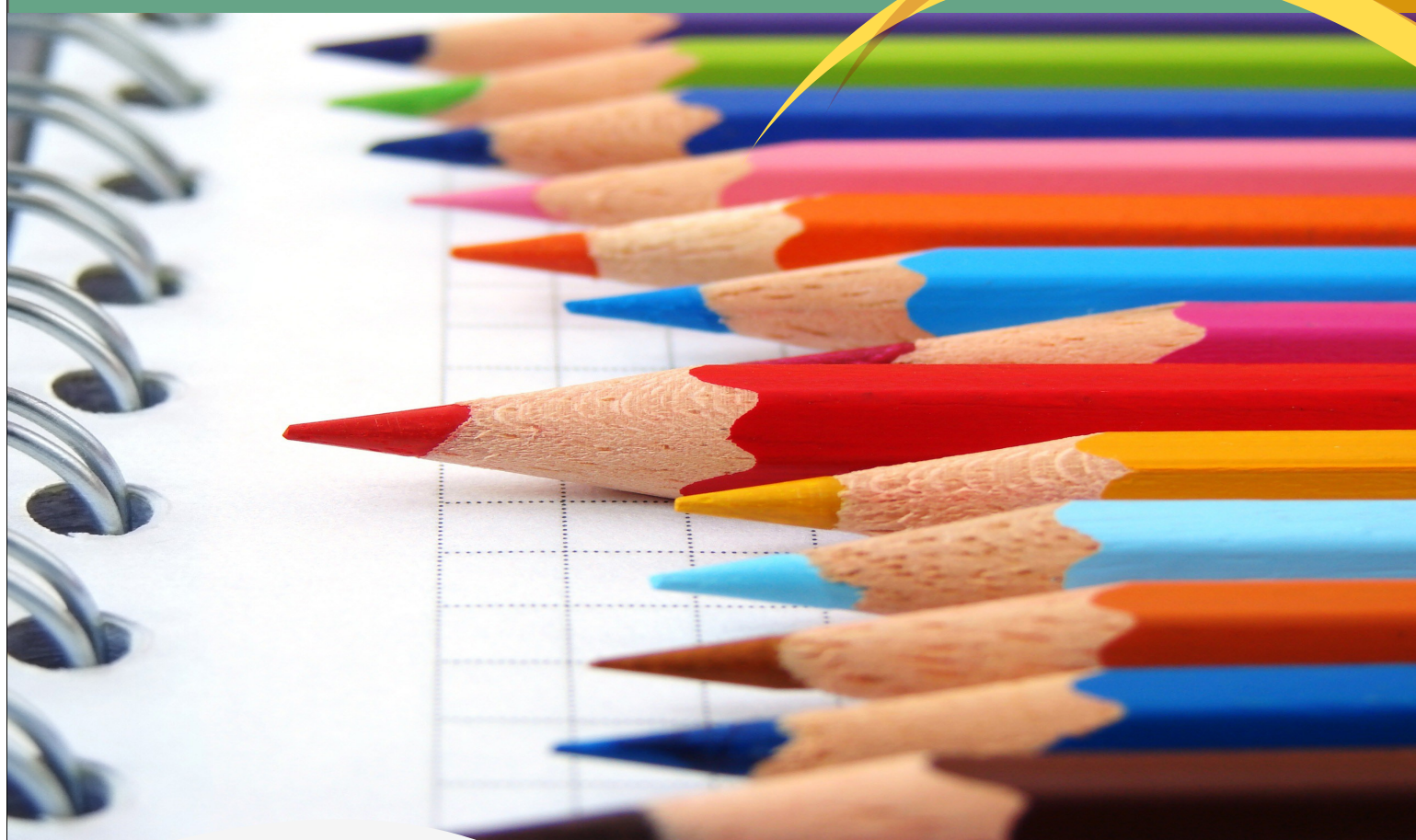
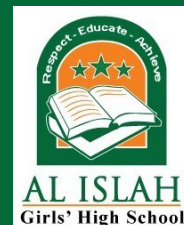


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Letter from the Head Teacher

Assalamu' Alaikum

Dear Parent/Guardian

Al Islah Girls High School started in 1995 and is registered with the Department for Education and Skills and follows the National Curriculum. Al-Islah is an Independent School and caters for girls from age 11-16 years. We have an all female staff who are all qualified.

With hard work and effort the School has grown and our enrolment has increased each year. However, we are committed to maintaining small class sizes in order for our staff to give as much individual help as possible. We encourage all students to fulfil their potential and develop a desire to work towards building an excellent foundation for their future working life. We want our students to have an inquisitive mind and an appetite for learning.

Al Islah is rooted in Islamic belief which promotes good behaviour and discipline according to the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet Muhammed (S.A.W). We believe in educating the 'whole child' – socially, culturally, spiritually and morally. We aim to provide a high standard of Islamic and secular education. We would like to build on our reputation for excellent pastoral care.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to Al Islah School to see for yourself the care that we take in our students' welfare and the purposeful atmosphere that exists in our School. We want our students to achieve their best potential where their successes are celebrated and teamwork is valued. We strive to help our students develop into good responsible Muslim women who will be confident to face their future.

We are grateful to you for showing an interest in Al Islah School and we hope that you entrust us with your daughter's education.

Yours sincerely,

Sabiha Patel

Head Teacher

Tel: 01254 261573

Vision Statement

"Al Islah Girls High school is committed to achieving excellence in education, by focusing on central values, aimed at shaping model citizens"

Islamic Ethos

"The best among you are those who have the best manners and character" (Al Hadith)



Chair of the Governing Body

We want our students to grasp every opportunity and reach their full potential.

This is a friendly and welcoming school, committed to high standards of achievement, behaviour and discipline. Whilst we build on the traditional strengths of the school, we are also forward thinking, and seek to combine the best of the old and the new. Our aim is to achieve excellence in all we do not only in academic matters but also in pastoral activities. The school is equipped with a Science Laboratory, has interactive whiteboards and an ICT suite to which students have access for their work.

We aim to provide all students with opportunities for participation, responsibility and leadership. Students contribute to the life of the school, both individually and collectively, by representing their year or tutor group in a range of activities and special events more recently fundraising for the MacMillan Cancer Trust and The British Heart Foundation.

Events such as "The Apprentice" give an insight of what it is like to be an Entrepreneur and what skills are required to become a successful business person. A visit to The Blackburn Royal Hospital and this partnership enables students to look at all the various careers that are available in the Hospital.

We have a school that we can be proud of and for twenty years has provided an excellent standard of education to its pupils.

The Chair of the Governing Board

Mr Hasan Desai

Message from our Trustee

At Al Islah school the well being and needs of our students is at the heart of everything we do. We aim to provide a high level of education and tarbiyah (Islamic upbringing), as well as maintaining a happy and safe environment for all of our students.

It is a school rooted in the Islamic Faith and as such values each child as a precious gift. Every child who comes here is encouraged to grow academically, physically, emotionally, morally and spiritually so that the child develops into a well educated and rounded individual.

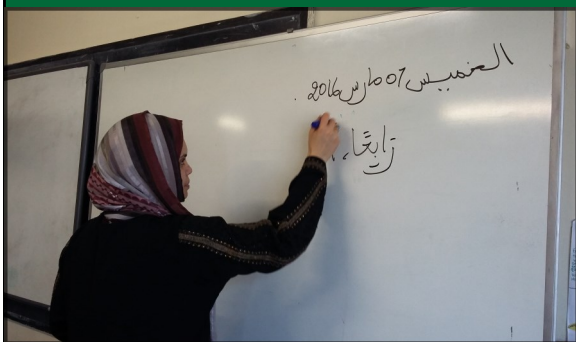
Our teaching and support staff will do all they can to provide a curriculum which will help your child achieve this. They are all devoted to the aims of the school and work extremely hard in delivering the high standard of education.

Trustee of the Governing Board

Moulana Mufti Ashraf Sidat

We believe our students learn best when they:

- Are enjoying themselves
- Are experiencing success and a sense of achievement
- Are involved and self-motivated
- Feel valued and secure
- Feel confident and are willing to have a go and take risks
- Are interacting positively with others
- Talking and listening
- Questioning
- Exploring and experimenting
- Feel excitement and enthusiasm
- Can relate the activity to their own lives, experiences or interests
- Can organise themselves and their materials
- Take pride in their own achievements and the achievement of others



We aim to develop:

- Independence
- Self-esteem
- Enquiring, open minds
- Respect for own and others work
- Pride in own and others achievements
- Individual progress
- The ability to work individually and collaboratively
- The ability to select and use equipment and resources appropriately

WHY AN ISLAMIC SCHOOL?

- Islamic school helps in preserving Islamic identity for the community at large, and for the children more specifically.
- It provides an environment where the students can practice their religion freely and receive feedback to improve their understanding of Islam.
- It helps our children achieve the best of both the worlds in a secular environment.
- It focuses on Islamic Skills and Qualities according to the Quran and Sunnah in a multi-cultural Society.
- Children excel in all aspects of their life when they grow up in a safe and nurturing environment.



WHAT WE OFFER?

Al Islah Girls High School offers a broad and balanced curriculum, delivered by dedicated, qualified, female teachers to students in an environment, whereby behaviour and personal development is linked to an Islamic ethos in order to develop the students' spiritual, moral, social and cultural aspects.

OFSTED have said that "our premises and accommodation are well maintained and the facilities are good" and we ensure parents and carers are well informed about their child's progress with reports and with parents' consultation evenings.

The leadership, management and staff of Al Islah Girls High School are firmly focused and committed, in working towards a school which will provide an exceptional quality of education by significantly exceeding minimum requirements.

WHAT WILL BE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE AT OUR SCHOOL?

Al Islah Girls' High School provides an atmosphere of order, purpose and pleasure in learning and this is supported by the last Ofsted inspection statement that, "students all say they feel safe and that they enjoy coming to school". Many talk of the school as "being like a big family".

Our ethos of "respect, educate and achieve" is a golden thread, which runs throughout Al Islah Girls' High School to ensure pupils are supported, guided, and motivated to achieve their potential, in a positive, caring environment. The experience at Al Islah Girls' High School will naturally install Islamic values to build an even more enhanced character.

WHAT WE AIM TO DELIVER?

When a student completes their education at Al Islah Girls High School, they will hopefully leave as a high achiever and someone who is well disciplined, responsible, tolerant, confident, caring, respectful, understanding, law abiding, model citizen with strong Islamic values (Insha-Allah).



Testimonials, Past and Present

I'm currently studying four A-levels at Tauheedul college, something that seemed an impossible dream when I first understood the magnanimity of GCSEs.

Effort was needed on my part to achieve the required grades, but without the assistance I received from both my mother and the teachers, this goal would never have been attainable.

Al Islah was like an extension of my own family-only a lot larger!

The memories I made there are things I'll always cherish and look back on fondly.

Farhana Lunat

"Al Islah, enter to learn - leave to achieve".
Ikra Ali, Year 10

"At Islah you start as a student yearning for knowledge, however you leave as a young woman ready to face the challenges the world has set for you".

Maariyah Kapadia, Year 11



"Our school is always united, ready to serve anyone in need, every girl matters". **Zara Shahzad, Year 8**

"Al Islah, making today's learners into tomorrow's leaders".
Kainat Ahmed, Year 9

"An education which brightens your future".
Alia, Year 11



My daughter was already being schooled in an Islamic primary school and to move to an Islamic secondary was a natural choice for both us as parents and for my daughter. After visiting each of the available secondary Islamic schools in the area we decided on Al Islah. This decision was based on a number of factors but primarily the school was willing to help my daughter progress further and realise her full potential and measure her progress against her own abilities. At the same time it was apparent the school encouraged independent learning and as she progressed through the years the teachers started to play more of a mentoring role than spoon feeding her with course material. As a result my daughter learnt key life skills at an early age and was able to take responsibility for her own work, could prioritise effectively and was able to plan her studies ready for exams and controlled assessments to the extent that there was minimal pressure on her.

The school has an excellent open door policy whereby if I wanted to catch up with my daughter's progress, in addition to the regular parent's evenings, I could arrange to meet with the Head and class teacher at any time during the year. The teachers welcomed feedback and would always look at ways to help my daughter achieve her best. They would from the very beginning set and communicate their expectations from each student and would constantly make sure they were working towards their expectations. For me, the additional benefit was that all this learning and extracurricular activities were developed around Islam – pertinent examples were always cited from Quran and Hadith and pupils were regularly encouraged to reflect on these texts in context to them. I could see my daughter flourishing in this environment and becoming more and more confident of her Muslim identity.

Alhamdulillah, now not only has my daughter gained some excellent GCSE's that have enabled her to go on and study for 'A' levels in Maths, Physics, Chemistry and Biology, but she is a humble confident Muslim woman who understands her role as prescribed by Allah(SWT) and is very easily able to distinguish between Halal and Haram thus being able to make the right choices for herself. All praises belong to Allah(SWT). *Amjad Ali* (Parent)

We have supported the following charities over the past 2 years:

MacMillan Coffee Morning
British Heart Foundation
Jump Off - for British Heart Foundation
Pakistan Flood Disaster
Red Nose Day
Children in Need
Supporting Children in Palestine
Food Bank (UK)
Water Aid
Ummah Welfare Fund
Al-Imdaad Foundation

Money collected to present date:
£2139.75



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