

# Sporting Success

We believe that regular exercise is an essential part of a healthy lifestyle and that enjoyment, self discipline, knowledge and physical skill should be encouraged. Well done to the following students for giving their all and coming top of the class.

<b>1000m Competition</b>	Winning team	ATS (GY11)
	Runners-up	Speed (GY9)
	2nd Runners-up	Zazima's (GY10)
<b>Badminton</b>	Winning duo	Sarah Khan & Aminah Hamid (GY8)
<b>Netball Intra Competition</b>	Winning team	Blues– Sadiqa, Hamda, Summayah, Rameesha, Aisha Z, Fadilah & Zulekha

BY10, BY11 and GY11 are working towards a GCSE in PE.

**Pupil Notice: Skipping Leader required (boy or girl)  
2 Skipping assistants required (boy and girl)  
Contact Sr. Haseena for more details**

## Library Competitions

\* Yr7 should be half way through the Reading Mission. This means that they should have completed 3 book reviews. Please check that your child is on track.

\* Islamic Foundation competition. Categories: Fiction, Non-fiction, Comic strip and Illustration. More details in school.  
Deadline 23rd November 2009.

## New Staff

We would like to welcome **Br. Amran**, who is teaching Sound Studies, and **Br Shah Nawaz**, who will be teaching Design and Technology. We wish them every success at our school.

## Attendance & Punctuality

are key to your child's future success. Please ensure your child arrives for morning registration by 8.45am. Holidays should not be taken during term time. Please inform the school before 10.30am if your child is absent.

# Newsletter

Friday 6th November 2009 | Issue 1



**Al-Hijrah**  
Secondary School  
مدرسة الهجرة الثانوية

## Dear Parents & Pupils

Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakathu,

Al-Hijrah Newsletter is a new initiative to keep the parents & community informed about the schools activities and pupils academic progress as well as their tasks and targets for the near future.

It will build bridges to fill the gaps and develop a better understanding with the spirit of partnership and team work, strengthening the means of co-operation and co-ordination between all stakeholders.

I hope everyone will enjoy reading it, insha'Allah.

Wassalam

Br. MAK Saqib

## Dates for your Diary

**11/11/09** = Yr11 parents evening + Melanie Williams from Connexions for careers advice  
**13/11/09** = Yr10 and Yr11 Maths module exam  
**16/11/09 + 18/11/09** = Yr11 Science module exam  
**20/11/09** = Yr10 Science module exam  
**26/11/09 – 27/11/09** = Eid Ul Adha Holiday (Subject to change)  
**7/12/09 – 11/12/09** = Yr 11 Mock Exams plus KS3/4 Autumn assessments  
**21/12/09** = End of autumn term. School will open on Tuesday 5th January 2010

## Congratulations! 2008/2009 GCSE Success

81% of our year 11s left with 5 or more A\*-C GCSEs

72% left with 5 or more A\*-C GCSEs (including English and maths).

May Allah guide them to success and happiness.  
Ameen

# Extra Curricular Activities

## Young Ambassadors

Pupils taking part in the Young Sports Leaders' Award were invited to Old Trafford, the home ground for Manchester United FC, to take part in the Young Ambassadors Conference. The scheme aims to promote sports in school and inspire youth leaders.



"...we learnt about the Olympics and the Paralympics...as well as excellence, courage, determination, inspiration and equality all of which are vital in our everyday life."

Ayan Farah  
GY11

## Alton Towers

Yr11 went to Alton Towers to explore different concepts of Physics in action. A fun and informative day was had by all!

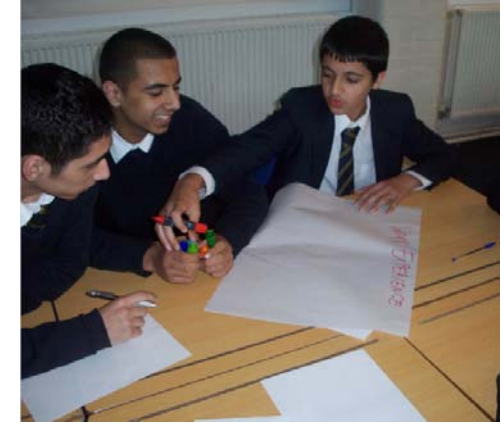


## Stratford-Upon-Avon

As part of their English GCSE, Yr11 visited the birthplace of William Shakespeare and participated in different workshops.

## Work Experience

All students from GY11 and BY11 went on Work Experience for 2 weeks. This gave them an insight into different careers and showed them the demands of the workplace. As well as finding placements, they were interviewed by prospective employers and given tips on how to present themselves at work.



"In the Work experience de-briefing session we designed, manufactured and sold egg-cups. We used all the skills we had learnt on our placements, such as team work and time management, to complete the project. It was great fun and very competitive."

## Author event

Yr7 went to Central Library to listen to Derek Landy (author of the Skulduggery Pleasant series). He gave an interesting talk on his stories and the creative process behind writing. The children also had an opportunity to ask their own questions. Watch this space for budding new writers!

## Genes Day

The whole school took part in cross-curricular activities for Genes Day. We managed to raise £420 by wearing non-uniform and also sold healthy breakfast and lunch at school. This money will go to charities that help people with genetic disorders. Thank you for your support.