

AL Khair Preparatory School Newsletter



Friday 31st January 2020

As Salaamu alaikum wa rahmatullaahi wa barakaatuh

Jazakallah to the parents, who sent tasty food, as part of our International Day. Children dressed up in the most wonderful of costumes and enjoyed the tasty treats from around the world.

On Monday, launched Al Khair prep School Book Week with an assembly about our Sponsored Read in partnership with Usborne Books. All children will be able to take part in the sponsored Read at home and at school. The money raised from the sponsorship will be used to purchase much needed school reading books for the children. Author Matt Brown joined us on Thursday to tell us about his books.

I would also like to thank parents for supporting the Book Fair and Jumma stall today in support of our fundraising for the library.

We would also like to encourage all our children to participate in the Radio 2 Mission 500 Words competition, to write a short 500 word fiction story, using their vivid imagination.

AL Khair Prep School Homework Club



KS 1 Homework Club
Monday 3.45pm-4.45pm
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Thursday 3.45pm-4.45pm

KS 2 Homework Club
Monday 3.45pm-4.45pm
KS 2 Homework Club
Thursday 3.45pm-4.45pm

Does your child need some help or support in their homework?

Each Homework Club will be run by a school teacher. Please book your child's place via Sims Parent Pay.

Cost: £4 per session
Time: 3.45pm-4.35pm
Venue: Al Khair Prep School

Bookings are non-refundable

Adhan Recitation

Each Week, the school will be asking a child from Years 4, 5 and 6 to recite the Adhan before Zohr Salaah and Jumma Salaah. In-shallah all children who have learnt the adhan will be chosen to perform.

Uthman Hussain **5A**

Mustafa Ali **5B**

'May Allah accept our efforts and make us from among those who are at the service of Allah every single day.'

Important dates for your diary

Internet Safety Day **07/02/2020**

Cake Bake **10/02/2020**

End of Term **14/02/2020**

Meet the School Leaders Coffee Evening
12/03/2020

Class of the week 20/1/20

KS1 **1B**

KS2 **4B**

Class of the week 27/1/20

KS1 **2B**

KS2 **6A**



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International Day

On Monday 20th January 2020, children celebrated International Day, they dressed up in the costumes of different countries, and learnt about their Year groups 'chosen country'. Parents kindly sent in many different types of food, for children to enjoy. See below some highlights of the day.



Al Khair Prep School Book Week

Matt Brown



On Thursday 30th January 2020, Al Khair Prep School, were joined by Author, Matt Brown. He Talked to the children

about his Dreary Inkling School books, a fabulously funny series which follows the (mis)adventures of Dreary Inkling Primary School's Year 6 class.

The children were enthralled by his talk, and asked lots of interesting questions at the end of his presentation.

A few children, came prepared with one of his books, and went away happy, that their book had be signed by the author himself.

We were also fortunate, to have Matt Brown, a part of our grand opening of the Al Khair Prep School new library, which the PTA have been working very hard to get ready, for the children.



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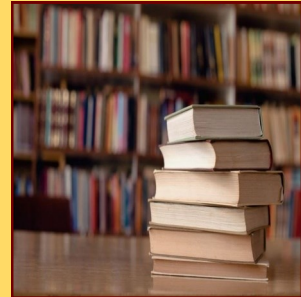
Book Week



Al Khair Prep School in partnership with Michelle Dalby of Usborne Books, have had a very busy week in school. All children have been asked to read more this week, and in doing so, help raise money to buy more books for the new school library.

Both KS1 and KS2 classes, enjoyed spending time in the new library, and were able to look at lots of interesting books, from Usborne Books. We ended the week with a Book Fair and Jumma Stall in the dining Hall. We would like say a BIG thankyou to all the parents, who gave up lots of valuable time to help the school achieve this vision of a fully stocked library, and enjoyable place for children to spend reading and other activities in. We would like to thank the Al Khair Prep School 'family', for their on-going support.

New Library Opening



The New Library at Al Khair Prep school, was officially opened on Thursday 30th January 2020, after many weeks of preparation and hard work, by PTA members and dedicated volunteer parents. The library will not only be used as a much needed library, but also as a 'mindfulness space', where there will be able come and be able to talk to an adult within about their concerns and worries with an adult.

We still need to stock our library with lots of books, and hope that parents will continue to support the fundraising efforts of the PTA and school to achieve this. We would like to share some of the highlights of the opening.



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Tips to Help your Child Read

Here are our top tips to help parents encourage even the most reluctant child to develop a love of reading:

- Make time to read: research shows that reading with your child for as little as 10 minutes a day can significantly boost how well they do at school. Set aside a regular time every day to read with your child, whether it's for 10 minutes when they get in from school or reading a bedtime story together. Little and often works best.
- Let your child choose what to read: your child is more likely to enjoy reading if they get to choose what they read. Join your local library for free and help your child explore a wide variety of books
- Explore different reading materials: as well as fiction there is a whole world of comics, magazines, ebooks, audio books and non-fiction for your child to discover.
- Get the whole family involved: encourage your child to read with other family members, such as grandparents, brothers and sisters, and aunts and uncles.
- Bring stories to life: when you read stories out loud with your child, give characters different voices and mannerisms. Try pausing the story and asking your child what happens next. You could also act out parts of the story together.
- Be positive: praise your child for trying hard at their reading and let them know it's alright to make mistakes.
- Be a reading role model: your child learns from you, so seeing you enjoying and valuing books can be a great inspiration!

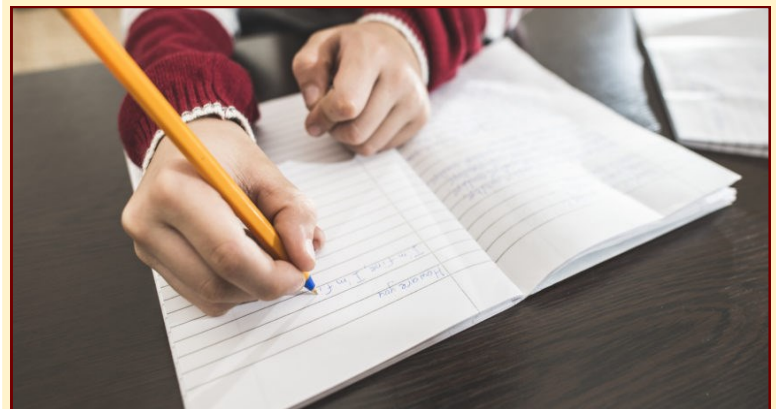
Competition BBC Mission 500 words 2020



Every year, BBC Radio 2 holds a story-writing competition for children. All children who live in the UK and who are aged between 5 and 13 years old can enter. The writers of the top 50 stories are all finalists and they are all invited to the exclusive award ceremony. Each of their stories is narrated and turned into a short sound clip which can be listened to on the BBC website.

Children must write their own original story; this means a story that is made up. It can be about anything they choose as long as it is **fictional**. The story must be no more than 500 words in length.

Please encourage your child to participate. Entries **MUST** be typed on a Word document, and handed in to their class teacher. Deadline for entries is **Tuesday 25th February**



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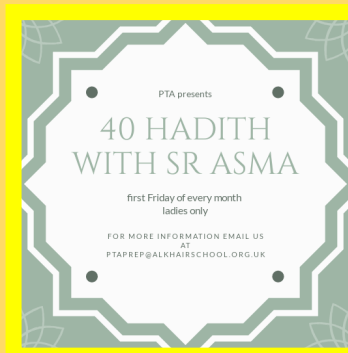
PTA News

Islamic Reminder

Sister Asma has started her monthly Islamic reminders. The next one will be held in February 2020. These reminders take place at the Prep school from 8.45-10am

In Sha Allah. Please note that these classes are for sisters only. Any Sister who would like to join please look out for reminder emails from the school before each class or contact

Mishal Ismail on **07875223278**



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Al Khair Prep school
After school clubs
Spring Term 2020



Monday

Debating Club (KS2)

Tuesday

TeachSport Drumming Club (KS2)

Skillz/Crystal Palace Foundation Club

Football Club (Yrs 4-6)

Wednesday

TeachSport Gymnastics Club (Reception and KS1)

Skillz Football Club (Yrs 4-6)

Thursday

TeachSport Taekwondo Club (All Years)

Skillz Football Club (Yrs 2-3)

Friday

Mad Science Club (Yrs1—Yrs6)



On Friday 23rd January 2020, the Jumma Stall raised £126.

The Jumma stall on the 31st January 2020, helped raise money towards the children's new library.

JazakAllaahu Khair to all parents for continuing to support the Jumma Stall throughout the year.

“My Lord (Allah),
increase me in
knowledge.” —
[Quran 20:114]

Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in joining the PTA or just help when you can, please send an email to the following address:

PTAPrep@alkhairschool.org.uk

If you are interested in reading with reception children, please contact Mishal on **07875223278**



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