

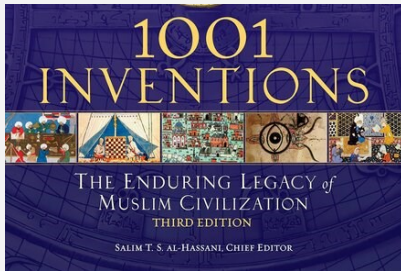


Welcome to Barnet Hill Academy's Newsletter

Barnet Hill Academy Extra Curricular Extravaganza

We're delighted to share that we have been busy developing our curriculum so much so that it now extends well into a host of extra curricular activity. Our teachers have been extremely busy in planning and organizing a wide array of extra curricular visits, trips and workshops. Some of these are detailed over the next few pages and all of these are shared online in our News and Gallery sections.

<https://www.barnethillacademy.org.uk/news>



This term we are launching a new Curriculum Planning tool - Curriculum Maestro.

"We believe that all children deserve an education rich in wonder and memorable experience. One that allows children's natural creativity and curiosity to flourish, alongside the purposeful acquisition of skills and knowledge. We believe that an education that does all of this gives children the best chance to become well-rounded, happy individuals, ready to succeed in an ever-changing world."

We will be publishing more information on this over the Spring Term including updated curriculum coverage maps and details.

Presently curriculum details are online:

<https://www.barnethillacademy.org.uk/primary/primary-curriculum>

<https://www.barnethillacademy.org.uk/secondary/secondary-curriculum>

Wa' Alaykoulm As-Salam,
Alimuddin Shaikh, Principal



BHA hosts RE / RSE Information Meeting

On Tuesday 17th December, Barnet Hill Academy hosted a parent information meeting sharing our current and proposed practice regarding the new DfE Guidance on this area of the curriculum. We had an excellent turnout and the information was well-received and, we will continue developing our work in this respect up until the new academic year.

Refurbishment Continues...

Barnet Hill continues to invest and upgrade the facilities for the benefit of our students and the community also. Just some of the recent investments include a suite of new PC's, a renewed CCTV system and shortly upgrades and to the full suite of student toilets. We thank our parents and Governor's for their support for some of these works and Hendon Mosque for collaborating in the toilet facility upgrades. Any donations for these works, especially the toilets which we will commence imminently are most welcome.

School Uniform

We have launched the full new school uniform which is now available to buy online. As of 7th January, 2020 we expect all students to be in the new full school uniform.

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<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/barnethill>

For any assistance, please contact the school office.



EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS EYFS Newsletter

Early Years Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception)

DEAR PARENTS & CARERS,

Asalaam Alykour, We had a very busy term. We had our EYFS Autumn walk to our local park, Reception children had an opportunity to visit Hendon masjid and we had a Zoo lab workshop, children experienced real live animals (please find photos on our school website). We would like to say a huge Jazakom Allahu Khairan to EYFS Parents for attending EYFS Curriculum workshop, for their support and contribution towards our cake sale fund raising. We wish you a restful break and see you all in next year 2020!



NURSERY



Our topic for this term was learning about construction, children in nursery were 'builders'. They used their own imagination to build different kind of houses. They learned mathematical vocabulary to describe different sizes, shapes and measure of the houses. Children had a wonderful experience to see and touch real life animals during the Zoo lab workshop. We went for an Autumn walk to our local park where children observed changes of the Autumn season and collected different shapes and sizes of leaves!

Reminders: Please remember to bring PE kit and home work folders every Mondays (for reception), reading books every Wednesdays. Bring a water bottle filled with fresh water each day, all coats and accessories must be labelled.

Primary

Year 3, 4 & 6 - Trip to Royal Society of Chemistry

The pupils from year 3, 4, 6, 7 & 8 took part in the '1001 Inventions: Journeys from Alchemy to Chemistry' event at the Royal Society of Chemistry on Thursday 12th December 2019. This was a very exciting learning experience for the pupils as they took part in hands-on workshops aiming to improve their understanding of chemistry and its numerous uses in our lives. In addition, they visited an exhibition looking at the remarkable work of different pioneers from different backgrounds and cultures, such as Jabir ibn Hayyan, the great polymath from the 8th century.



Year 5 English Topic-Time Travel

Throughout our Autumn 2 English lessons, we have been reading a book called 'Tom's Midnight Garden'. We described the garden and we created a 3D model to go with it. Then we watched 'The Chelsea Flower Show' and noted down descriptive language to present our garden like a television presenter. We then wrote a speech to present our gardens. Using a video camera, we recorded our presentation.



By Aish Sarmad from Year 5

Year 2 - Autumn 2 DT Lesson

Year 2 will be looking at features of castles and will be designing and making their own castles in our DT lessons.

As a part of the topic, they also visited the Tower of London to explore and attend the workshop we have provided.

Primary Annual Qur'aan Assembly

Celebrating 10 Years of successful 'Quraan Celebration'.... This year the primary pupils performed events from the life of the Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w.). A big thank you to all parents and guests for attending and supporting the pupils throughout. The performances were followed by a feast in the Hill Cafe where we had an international food celebration. It was a great success... Jazaakallah khair to all!

You can view more pictures on our website gallery. Please visit:

<https://www.barnethillacademy.org.uk/gallery>



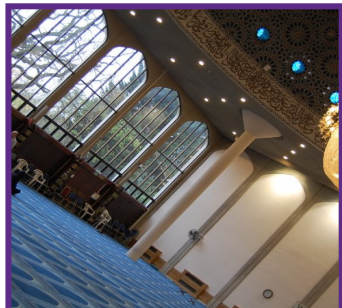
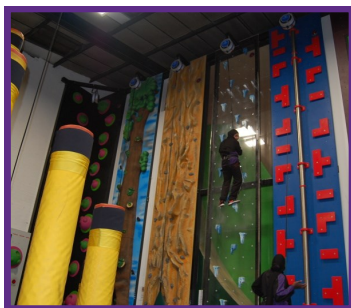
Welcome

As Salam Alaykoun Dear Parents,

This half term has been vibrant with activities and trips providing inspiration and ingenuity to curriculum based knowledge. Pupils have participated in insightful workshops, visits to the Mosque, library, the museum, and The Globe theatre.

As we conclude our Term 1 Assessments, our thoughts are with our year 11 pupils in particular, as they prepare for their final exams.

We would like to wish you all a restful break and look forward to Term 2.



Secondary reminders

Upcoming trips & activities:

We have a range of trips and workshops planned for 2019-2020: Term 2. Parents can stay updated by checking their ParentMail and visiting the BHA School website.

Events & Activities

PE Trip—Harrowall—Year 9: 12th November 2019

Year 9 pupils enjoyed an afternoon aiming high as they hiked at one of Europe's largest bouldering centre: 'Harrowall.' Pupils were challenged to climb using technique, balance and strength in an action packed expedition at the centre, led by Ms Teodora.

Secondary: KS3 Library visits: November 2019

Pupils visited the local library to encourage reading for pleasure. Pupils learnt about the history of Hendon library as the first library to facilitate a children's section in the UK pioneered by the resident Hendon librarian Eileen Colwell in the 1930's.

Stand up against discrimination! Workshops: 14th November

Stand Up Against Discrimination! A UK educational Anti-discrimination charity, facilitated innovative workshops for Secondary pupils highlighting social issues such as Bullying, Discrimination and the Media's role in instigating stereotypes; in addition to providing democratic means of speaking out against such injustices.

Art trip - The V & A Museum - Year 10: 15th November 2019

The year 10's visited the Victoria & Albert Museum in Kensington as part of their exploration of diverse objects, led by Ms Maha. Pupils utilised observational skills to reproduce depictions of gallery objects, centred on the theme of Experimental drawing.

Islamic Studies Mosque trips - 19th & 21st November 2019

Pupils have travelled to noted mosques to enhance Islamic knowledge and further experiences regarding the daily functions of places of prayer. Year 7 & 8 explored a local treasure with a trip to Hendon Mosque. Year 9 & 10 were given an inspirational insight into the core tenets of faith at Regents Park Mosque led by Ms Mariam.

English trip—Diversity in Literature Conference: 20th November

The year 10's and 11's attended a conference hosted by Pearson Education in appreciation of diversity within English Literature. Pupils attended talks by a number of well known literary figures including author: Jamila Gavin, Playwright: Tanika Gupta and Poet: Raymond Antrobus.

English trip—The Globe theatre: 25th November 2019

Year 9 & 10 partook in a workshop at the Globe theatre, led by Ms Mariya and Ms Zeina. Pupils gained an insight into the plight of protagonist Shylock, from William Shakespeare's iconic play 'The Merchant of Venice.'

The Alan Senitt Project: 5th December 2019

The Year 10's hosted a seminar for pupils & educators from Hendon school, as part of the Alan Senitt Leadership development project led by Ms Saqiba.

Charity Fitness Event assembly— 6th December 2019

Coach Abdul Rahman presented the BHA Charity Fitness Event to Secondary, inviting pupils to participate in a test of physical endurance and mental agility. The assembly focused on the often ignored, yet crucial role of health and fitness in our everyday lives.

Islamic Studies & Science trip—1001 Inventions: 12th December

Primary and Secondary pupils viewed the 1001 inventions galleries; aimed at raising awareness of the creative golden age of Muslim civilisation which spanned the continents of Europe, Asia and Africa.



Extra Curricular Activities

Islamic Art Club: Every Monday (term-time only) 3:20 - 4:20pm

Kickboxing Club: Every Friday (term-time only) 3:20 - 4:20pm

Spanish language Club: (*Starting soon*)

Cooking Club: (*Starting soon*)

Key Dates:

Winter Holidays: Fri 20th Dec 19 - Fri 3rd Jan 20

Teachers Inset: Monday 6th Jan 20

First Day back for students: Tues 7th Jan 20

Half Term Holidays: Mon 17th - Fri 21st Feb 20



BARNET HILL PARENTS, TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PTFA) NEWS & UPDATES



PTFA News:

It has been a very successful first term for fundraising alhamdulillah.

The EYFS cake sale raised £100 and will be put towards a new IPAD for use by the EYFS team.

The secondary girls' Fancy Festa event raised £450. They will decide where these funds are used.

The International Food Event and donations made at the Quran Assembly raised £1300.00 which will be used to buy 13 new computers.

Our thanks to everyone who helped and contributed to all of these events.

Future Dates:

Monday 13 February 2020 Coffee Morning. Topic will be Revision Strategies/ Helping with Homework.

Friday 21 February 2020 Whole Primary Cake Sale.

Sister Amreena, Parent Link Governor — parentlink@barnethillacademy.org.uk

Parentlink Communication:

Please sign up to 'Classlist' to communicate directly with me or other parents from the school. The link is:

<https://classlist.page.link/126UGLj9PN4ZDebw6>