

NEWSLETTER QUARTERLY



WINTER WARMTH & BRIGHT **HORIZONS**

At Dar al Zahra, we are dedicated to providing an exceptional learning experience that empowers our students to reach their full potential. We believe in cultivating a stimulating and supportive environment where every orphan student feels valued and challenged to excel. To further step forward in our commitment and vision, we started a Spoken English Intervention Program! This program is designed to enhance our students' English communication skills, fostering confidence and fluency in spoken English.

We held a Spelling Bee competition for our secondary school students. The competition was a resounding success, with students showcasing their impressive vocabulary and spelling abilities.

As the winter chill descends upon Najaf, we are grateful for the support of our community that has made it possible to provide every student with a warm winter jacket.

Our graduates are now embarking on exciting new chapters in their lives. Some are pursuing higher education at prestigious universities, while others are diving headfirst into fulfilling careers. We are thrilled to witness their dreams taking flight and are confident that they will achieve great things. Support our graduates in their university education Together, let's continue to nurture their aspirations and empower them to achieve their dreams.



1094 **Total Students** 86%

40 **Not Sponsored**

Sponsor an orphan's education today!

Invest in their future giving them the gift of education. Together, we can break the cycle and create a brighter future for the orphans in the holy city of Najaf.

in Najaf and Karbala with the gift of hope and nourishment.

Once again, Dar al Zahra Charitable School is on a mission to deliver over 6,000 food parcels to families in need, ensuring they can focus on their spiritual journey during the sacred month. Each parcel provides enough food for a family of five throughout Ramadan.

Your donations, no matter how big or small, can make a difference in the lives of these families. Please donate today and help us illuminate this Ramadan with the light of your kindness. To add bags in your name visit us and donate at www.dar-al zahra.org/donate.



RAMADAN FOOD DRIVE 2025 LET'S FEED THE HOPE THIS HOLY MONTH!

LP US REACH

Add Bag in your name USD 65

GBP 45 CAD 80



We are thrilled to announce that our esteemed Grade 12 – Batch 6 students have successfully completed their high school at Dar al Zahra. These young minds are not merely prepared for university; they are equipped to become global citizens, agents of positive change, and leaders who will shape their communities and the world. Our graduates are now pursuing their chosen career paths at universities across lrag.

To support them as they embark on this exciting new chapter, Dar al Zahra is providing each student with a cash grant to assist with their education and living expenses. This achievement would not be possible without the generous support of our donors. Your contributions have been instrumental in enabling Dar al Zahra to fulfill its mission and make a profound impact on the lives of countless individuals. We extend our deepest gratitude for your continued belief in the power of education.

We are filled with immense pride and gratitude as our students are graduating from universities. These remarkable young individuals, once orphans facing uncertain futures have now embarked on their professional journeys, entering the workforce with the skills and knowledge to build successful lives.

Dar al Zahra was founded with a vision: to empower orphaned children in Najaf by providing them with a quality education and the necessary support to become successful professionals. Today, we witness the realization of that vision as our first graduates step into the world, ready to contribute to society.

GRADUATING CLASS 2024				
no.	Student Name	%	University	Major
1	Ruqayya Haider Kadhim	97	Islamic University	Dentistry
2	Fatima al Zahra Yousef	95	Al-Kafeel University	Medicine
3	Wujdan Ahmed	93	Al-Furat Al-Awsat University	Anesthesia Techniques
4	Hussain Najam	88	University of Kufah	Nursing
5	Malak Ali Mohammed	81	Al-Kafeel University	Anesthesia Techniques
6	Mujtaba Ali	77	Toosi University	Nursing
7	Hiba Sattar	77	Al-Kafeel University	Radiology
8	Zahra Thamer	76	Al-Furat Al-Awsat University	Mechanical Engineering
9	Naba Abdul Karim	72	Al-Furat Al-Awsat University	Laser Cosmetic Techniques
10	Fatima Ahmed Makke	69	Islamic University	Laboratory Techniques
11	Hanan Emad Aziz	63	Al-Furat Al-Awsat University	Health Service Admisnistration
12	Shahab Ahmed Razi	62	University of Kufah	Physics
13	Yousuf Alaa Shakir	61	Islamic University	Civil Engineering
14	Zainab Amori	60	Al-Furat Al-Awsat University	Management Techniques

This achievement marks a significant milestone for Dar al Zahra and a testament to the dedication and hard work of our students, and the generous support of our donors. Together, we have broken the cycle of poverty and provided these young people with the opportunity to build a brighter future for themselves and their families.

Muhaimin Ali Hussain: From Orphan to a Practicing Dentist

A beacon of hope and resilience, embarked on Muhaiman's educational journey in 2008 as a young orphan in the very first year of our school's inception. Witnessing his determination, we watched him blossom through 12 years of dedicated learning.

Today, we celebrate his extraordinary achievement as he graduates with a degree in Dentistry, fulfilling his father's dream. Muhaimin's story serves as an inspiring testament to the transformative power of education and the continuous support of our school community.





Mustafa Hussain Ayham: A Testament to the Power of Education

The journey of Mustafa, once an orphaned primary school student, now a successful Polymer Chemical Engineer, exemplifies the power of our vision. His remarkable achievements remind us of the evolving impact we can have on the lives of these young orphans.

The success of individuals like Mustafa fuels our passion and reinforces the importance of our mission. It is through their triumphs that we find the motivation to continue our work, empowering future generations to reach their full potential.





Stem Workshop

Our students are embarking on a thrilling journey into the world of coding and technology. We've kicked off this exciting initiative with engaging STEM workshops designed for all our young learners, both boys and girls schools.

These hands-on workshops are more than just fun – they're a fantastic way to foster critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Our students are already demonstrating incredible ingenuity as they learn to code, experiment with technology, and bring their creative ideas to life.

Following are the main highlighted workshops

- Maze Challenge
- Marshmallow Challenge
- Coding Workshop Bridge & Tower Building
- Puzzles & Sudoku
- Catapult Challenge
- Puzzles & Sudoku

Our dream is to cultivate a generation of students who are not just technologysavvy, but true innovators. To make this a reality, we are seeking generous donations to Upgrade our Computer Lab.





Upgraded

Global Kindness Foundation 5 Day Medical Camp

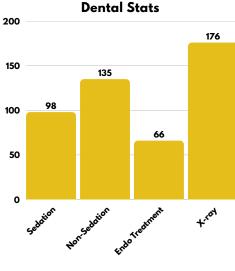
The Global Kindness Foundation (GKF) once again brightened the lives of our students with their annual five-day medical camp. Our campus was transformed into a vibrant center of healing as skilled dentists, physicians, and opticians generously offered their expertise.

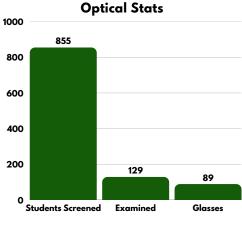
This year, a key highlight was the comprehensive screening of all students. This proactive approach allowed for early identification of potential health concerns and providing necessary care. The dental team conducted thorough screenings on all students, identifying and addressing complex cases requiring specialized treatment. The optical team screened all students and provided glasses to 89 students who needed them.

The dental team focused on preventive care, including oral hygiene education and checkups. Physicians conducted thorough medical examinations, addressing various health needs. Opticians provided essential eye screenings and assisted students with vision correction needs.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the GKF for their unwavering commitment to our students' well-being. Their annual visit serves as a powerful reminder of the transformative impact of collaboration and the profound power of kindness.









SPORTS DAY & PLAY DAY

The sun shone brightly as our Primary School erupted for sports day. The entire school came together to cheer on our four Houses (House of Imam Hussain a.s, Imam Hassan a.s, Abul Fazlul Abbas s.a, Sayyeda Zainab s.a) The House competitions were fierce, with each House passionately supporting its team members. The cheers of encouragement echoed throughout the field, creating an unforgettable atmosphere of excitement and camaraderie.

Our primary students had an absolute blast at the ECD Play Day in December! The day was filled with exciting activities that encouraged learning through play. Play Day was a resounding success! It provided a valuable opportunity for our students to learn, grow, and have a whole lot of fun. They had different corners in the hall to play

- Science Corner
- · Art & Craft
- **Brain Gym**
- . Games Corner
- Puppets & Stories

AYYAM E FATIMIYAH

اعظم الله أجورنا وأجوركم باستشهاد السيدة فاطمة الزهراءعليها السلام

The Dar al Zahra Schools community observed the martyrdom anniversary of Sayyeda Fatima Zahra (s.a.), the Lady of Light, with deep sorrow and heartfelt tributes. Students and teachers organized poignant majlises within the school premises, filled with the recitation of heartfelt latmiyahs reflecting their grief. The preparatory girls, accompanied by their female teachers, participated in a special Majlis held at the holy shrine of Ameerul Mo'meneen Imam Ali (a.s.), immersing themselves in the spirit of mourning.





PIZZA PARTY

The Ministry of Education has granted an exemption from the final exams to all students who achieved an average of 85% or higher last year. To commemorate this significant accomplishment, we hosted a celebratory pizza party to honor these exceptional students and acknowledge their hard work and dedication. We are incredibly proud of their academic achievements and wish them continued success in their future endeavors







FRUIT WEEK

Our little ones in grades 1, 2, and 3 embarked on a delicious and educational journey during "Fruit Week"!

This exciting week was filled with discoveries as our students learned all about the amazing benefits of fruits. Through engaging activities, colorful worksheets, and daily fruit-focused explorations, they delved into the wonderful world of these nutritious treats.

We believe that fostering a love for healthy eating habits starts early. We're proud to have provided our students with this fun and educational experience that will hopefully inspire them to make nutritious choices for years to come.

BULOOGH CEREMONY

On the birth anniversary of Sayyeda Fatima Zahra (a.s), we hosted a beautiful Buloogh ceremony. 35 young girls coronated the event who reached the age of nine. We marked the 17th anniversary of our school's founding in 2008. The ceremony was a heartwarming event, with students actively participating by reciting nasheeds and engaging in various activities. Sheikh Ali al-Najafi graced the occasion with his insightful address, offering valuable guidance to our orphan girls.

To recognize the exceptional performance of students who achieved top grades in the board exams, Intermediate 3 students were awarded laptops in both boys' & girls' schools. Primary 6 boys were awarded bicycles and girls gold earrings. Students were given a takeaway lunch (Zinger Sandwich) as a token of celebration after the event.





MEET OUR DOCTORS

We are on hand to provide immediate first aid and address minor injuries or illnesses. We give in-patient care for students who require more intensive medical attention.

Our doctors have conducted informative and engaging health awareness sessions tailored to different age groups. Intermediate & Preparatory students focused on crucial health topics such as Hygiene, Diabetes, Asthma, and Smoking. Primary students sessions focused on foundational health knowledge like General hygiene and Oral Hygiene.

Every year all students undergo medical screenings conducted by our in-house doctors. These screenings play a crucial role in identifying potential health concerns early on and ensuring timely interventions. Screenings help identify conditions that may require immediate attention, such as vision problems, hearing impairments, and potential developmental delays



1600 Boys Clinic Visits 252

Boys Clinic
Students Screened

2581 Girls Clinic Visits

Girls Clinic Students Screened

Prominent Cases of the Quarter

During a regular health screening, a Primary 2 student was diagnosed with a heart murmur. Further investigation through an echocardiogram revealed aortic valve stenosis, a condition where the heart's aortic valve narrows, restricting blood flow, his corrective surgery is being planned. Meanwhile, he is under observation and spared from strenuous physical activities during school. He is a bright and cheerful child who loves to learn. With your support, we can ensure he receives the best possible care and continues to thrive.

An 8-year-old student from the girls school, after a recent road traffic accident, sustained a lacerated leg wound that required stitches. While initially healing, the wound unfortunately became infected, leading to the development of pus. This presented a challenge, but thanks to the dedicated care provided by our in-house doctors, she received prompt treatment. For three weeks, Masooma diligently followed the prescribed course of oral antibiotics and underwent daily wound dressings. Her resilience and the excellent care she received have resulted in a full recovery!