

NUQTAH

primary school

ROCHDALE

PROSPECTUS







In the name of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful

## The “DOTTED” WELCOME

Dear Prospective Parent,

It is with great pleasure and heartfelt warmth that we welcome you to explore the unique educational journey offered at our school. As the first Islamic Ethos based primary school in Rochdale, our institution is a pioneering initiative born from a collaboration between Central Mosque Rochdale (CMR) and the esteemed Educating Excellence (EE) consultancy.

Our school stands as a beacon of knowledge, character, and faith, deeply rooted in a rich Islamic ethos.

At the heart of our vision lies a profound philosophical meaning embodied in a *Nuqtah*, a simple yet significant word meaning "dot." In the world of calligraphy, the dot is the foundation from which all letters and words take form. It is the starting point of expression, the genesis of meaning, and the essence of communication. Just as a dot is small yet holds the potential to create infinite possibilities, we believe that your child carries within them the seeds of greatness.

Our mission is to nurture these seeds, guiding your child as they begin their educational journey.

With the solid foundation provided by CMR and the exceptional academic expertise of EE, we are committed to creating an environment where every child can flourish academically, spiritually, and morally.

Our School is more than just an institution of learning; it is a community where young minds are cultivated with the values of respect, compassion, and a love for learning. We aim to prepare our students not just for the challenges of today, but for the opportunities of tomorrow, all while remaining firmly rooted in the timeless teachings of Islam. We invite you to join us on this exciting journey of growth and discovery, where every dot is a beginning, and every beginning holds the promise of a bright and beautiful future.

Warm Salams,

The Team



السَّلَامُ عَلَیْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ  
Peace be upon you with the mercy of Allah & his blessings

Once upon a time ...

The story behind...

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## Central Mosque Rochdale (CMR)

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Central Mosque Rochdale (CMR), originally established as Idara Taleem-ul-Islam in 1974, was founded by a dedicated group of seniors, many of whom had arrived in Rochdale as part of the working class in the late 1950s. These pioneers, some still with us and others who have since passed away, laboured tirelessly with a singular focus: preserving Islam for future generations. Their unwavering commitment led to the establishment of this institution, which was fortunate to be guided by some of the greatest luminaries of the past. It is upon the shoulders of these giants that we stand today, continuing their legacy through the growth and development of CMR.

In addition to its three educational centres and leadership in community services such as bereavement care, CMR is closely associated with Castlemere Community Centre, a centre that operates independently on the mosque-owned property adjacent to the mosque. This centre aside from offering a variety of community-essential services, also hosts a highly successful nursery school, which, though managed separately, shares the same ethos and is overseen by Educating Excellence (EE), the same consultancy guiding our new primary school. This collaborative effort ensures a consistent commitment to educational excellence across all levels and a healthy progression trajectory.

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### Educating Excellence (EE)

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Educating Excellence (EE) is a leading education consultancy that has been at the forefront of transforming educational landscapes for over a decade. Renowned for pioneering innovative solutions, EE collaborates with government bodies like the Department for Education (DfE) and has earned prestigious awards for its work in bridging educational gaps, revolutionising remote learning, and addressing holistic wellbeing in schools.

With a brilliant team of educationists, education quality inspectors and former headteachers who have successfully turned around many schools, EE is dedicated to building strong foundations in children and preparing them for future academic, professional, and life challenges. In an era of rising standards and financial constraints, EE offers unparalleled expertise to help schools not only meet but exceed expectations.



# HEADTEACHER & MANAGER

At Nuqtah Primary School, we are privileged to have Sister Ifsheen Akhtar, a distinguished member of the Educating Excellence (EE) team, as our Headteacher and Regional School Manager.

Sister Ifsheen brings a wealth of experience and a proven track record in educational leadership. She has excelled as a Headteacher at institutions such as Shelley First School and the Arab International School, where she led initiatives that significantly enhanced educational systems and student experiences.

Her qualifications & accolades include earning an 'Outstanding' rating from Ofsted for her leadership and management skills, coordinating teacher training programs in collaboration with the DfE, and building strong partnerships with multiple universities. Additionally, as a certified Professional Development (PD) lead, she has delivered training across England to improve mathematics education standards, contributing to a notable rise in attainment nationwide.

Sister Ifsheen's ability to mentor and lead educators, coupled with her active participation on educational boards and committees, underscores her commitment to excellence. Her expertise will be instrumental in guiding our Primary School towards achieving our educational goals.

# Our Philosophy

**R**

**RESPECT:** "O my beloved son, inculcate respect before you embark upon the journey of knowledge."  
-Mother of Imam Malik

**E**

**EXCELLENCE:** "Indeed, The All-Mighty has ordained excellence upon everything..."  
-The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

**S**

**SINCERITY:** "All actions are evaluated by their intentions".  
-The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

**P**

**PATIENCE:** "Patience is beautiful."  
-Qur'an 12:18

**E**

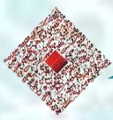
**EMPATHY:** "Indeed there has come to you a Messenger from among yourselves, who is concerned by your suffering, anxious for your well-being, and gracious and merciful to the believers." -Qur'an 9:128

**C**


**COLLABORATION:** "Help each other in virtue and piety, and do not help each other in vice and aggression."  
-Qur'an 5:2

**T**

**TRUTH:** "Truthfulness leads to virtue, and virtue leads to paradise."  
-The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ



And last but not least, the "**DOT**" which signifies:  
"The role of the minor in the major ..."



At Nuqtah Primary School, we are dedicated to nurturing well-rounded, confident, and ethical individuals by combining academic excellence with strong Islamic values. Our approach ensures that every child receives personalised attention, fostering both their intellectual and spiritual growth. We follow the National Curriculum, enriched with carefully designed lessons that strengthen vocabulary, deepen understanding, and reinforce learning through structured recaps. Our curriculum is progressive and sequential, allowing students to build on their knowledge and skills in a meaningful way. For mixed-age classes, our expert team provides tailored planning to meet each child's developmental needs while maintaining high academic standards.


We place a strong emphasis on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) to encourage creativity, independent thinking, and problem-solving. Literacy and Numeracy remain at the core of our academic programme, ensuring that students develop strong foundational skills. Arabic is our chosen Modern Foreign Language (MFL), introduced towards the end of Key Stage 1 and continued throughout Key Stage 2. Our teaching approach blends traditional, contemporary, and innovative methods, striking a balance between structured instruction and child-led exploration. We are committed to preserving children's natural curiosity and innocence, allowing them to learn at their own pace in a supportive and stimulating environment.

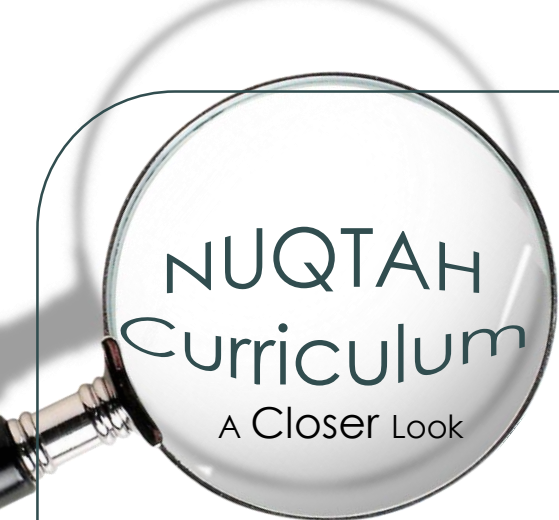
As part of our commitment to holistic education, we deliver Relationships and Health Education (RSHE) in line with the Statutory National Curriculum. Our approach ensures that pupils receive age-appropriate, relevant, and meaningful learning experiences that reflect both Islamic principles and contemporary societal priorities. RSHE is taught within a hayaa-centered framework, reinforcing modesty, dignity, and respect. We aim to nurture emotionally healthy, well-rounded individuals who approach relationships, personal well-being, and social interactions with wisdom, empathy, and integrity. Parents are kept fully informed to ensure transparency and alignment with their values.

At Nuqtah Primary School, we aim to provide not just an excellent education but a nurturing experience that prepares children to become compassionate, knowledgeable, and confident contributors to society.

Physical education is a key component of our curriculum. Our team has secured access to a nearby field to support this need.

Thanks to our small class sizes, we offer a range of enrichment activities during school hours, encouraging students to explore new interests and develop essential skills. Activities include: Quilling, Cooking & Baking Crafts, Calligraphy, Book Club Community Engagement Educational Visits. These activities enhance our students' learning experience, fostering creativity, physical fitness, and personal growth. We also plan to introduce Sunnah Sports, including swimming, archery, and horse riding, in the near future.





# NUQTAH Curriculum

A Closer Look

## **Our Oracy Programme**

At NUQTAH Primary, we place great emphasis on oracy -the ability to express oneself clearly, confidently, and effectively through speech. Our vision is to nurture articulate, expressive children who can confidently present their ideas in a range of contexts.

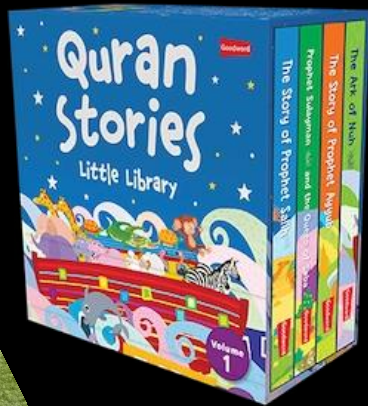
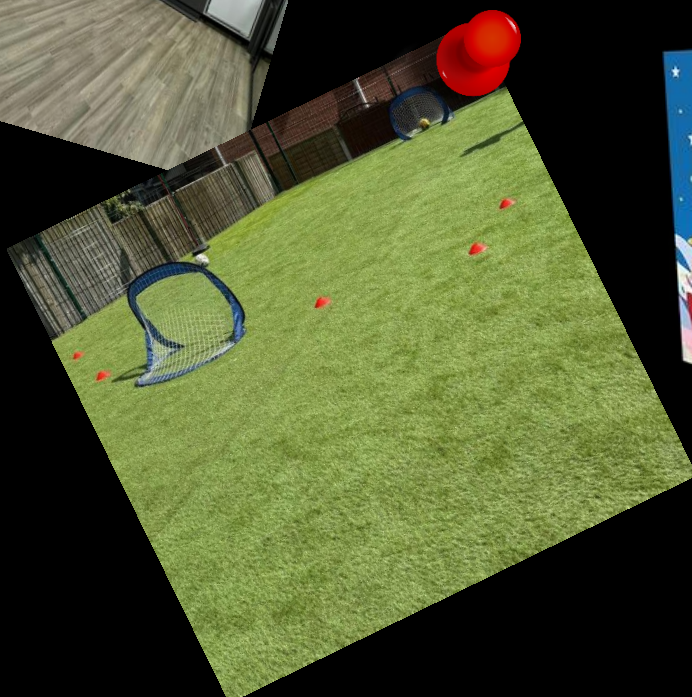
Through our dedicated Oracy Programme, we develop students' abilities in verbal articulation, expression, active listening, and structured communication. Pupils will learn to construct well-formed sentences, selecting vocabulary that is precise, meaningful, and appropriate for different audiences. This focus on oracy not only enhances their ability to think critically and communicate persuasively but also equips them with essential skills for future academic and professional success. By embedding strong spoken language skills within our curriculum, we aim to develop self-assured, articulate young individuals who can express themselves with clarity, confidence, and purpose.

## **Clubs**

At Nuqtah Primary School, we offer a diverse range of exciting extracurricular clubs designed to enrich our pupils' learning experiences beyond the classroom. These clubs provide opportunities for children to explore new interests, develop key skills, and build friendships in a fun and engaging environment. Our clubs run after school from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM. To register your child for a club, please sign up via your ParentPay account. Towards the end of each term, parents will receive a letter detailing the clubs available for the following term. Some clubs are open to the whole school, while others are tailored to specific year groups or key stages.

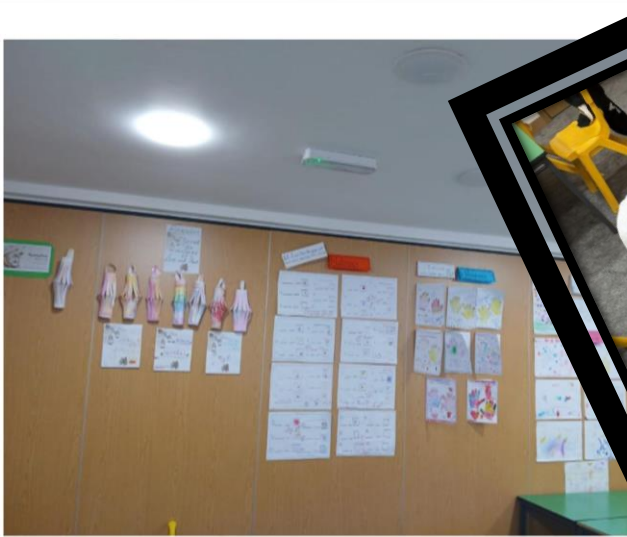


# FACILITIES & RESOURCES





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# BOLT-ON MAKTAB & MADRASAH CLASSES



At Nuqtah Primary School, we are delighted to offer Maktab classes as a unique and integral part of our program. Unlike traditional Maktab programs held in the evening, our classes will be scheduled during the first 90 minutes of the school day, from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM, ensuring that students are fresh and fully engaged.

In these sessions, students will be immersed in a comprehensive Islamic education syllabus, covering subjects such as easy steps to the Qur'an, Qur'an recital, memorisation of Surahs & Duas as well as Sirah (biography of Nabi Muhammad ﷺ), Tareekh, Aqaa'id, and Fiqh. The syllabus is thoughtfully designed using the An-Nasihah, the Tasheel Series, and the Safar Academy syllabus, ensuring a robust and well-rounded learning experience. This approach allows students to begin their day with spiritual enrichment, setting a positive tone for the rest of their academic pursuits.

## A DAY AT NUQTAH PRIMARY

<b>07:45</b>	Doors Open & Settling In	
<b>08:00</b>	Morning Dua	Qur'an/Qaaidah Lesson
<b>08:45 – 09:00</b>	Hadeeth of the day	Surah and Dua of the day
<b>09:00 to 09:30</b>	Fiqh, Sirah, Aqaa'id, Tareekh	
<b>09:30 – 09:40</b>	Freshen Up!	
<b>09:40 – 3:30pm</b>	SCHOOL TIME!	



# Testimonials

'The best decision we ever made was to send our children to Nuqtah Primary School. They have settled in really well and enjoy school.'

-Year 1 Pupils Parent

'Thank you so much for helping my son transition to this school - all of you have been so helpful in making this easy for him.'  
'I will be recommending this school to all my friends with children.'

-Year 5 Pupils Parent

'My daughter loves coming to school everyday and loves her teachers.' 'I have nothing but praise for the staff working here - I don't have words to say thank you.'

-Year 1 pupils Parent





## Our School Uniform

We encourage all our pupils to have a good standard of appearance and we pay attention to nails, shoes and cleanliness in general.

All pupils must wear smart, black, sensible school shoes. Trainers, boots (other than ankle boots), or shoes with a heel are not suitable for the school day, break times or PE.

Clearly labelling all items will also help us to return any lost uniform to your child.

Wearing a uniform allows all pupils to come to school as equals, and helps them to take pride in their appearance, identity and their school. There are many different values associated with this which will prepare them for later life.

Uniform:

BOYS: White Jubbah below knee/above the ankle length, White trouser/Shalwar,

Hat: White Islamic Hat.

Shoes: Black (as described above)

Socks - Black.

Pullover, Jumper, Cardigan: Black (plain) with no text or vivid insignia

GIRLS : Black Abaya with white Shalwar/Kameez

Head gear: White Burkhi (head covering)

Shoes: Black school shoes

Socks : Black Socks

Pullover, Jumper, Cardigan: Black (plain) with no text or vivid insignia

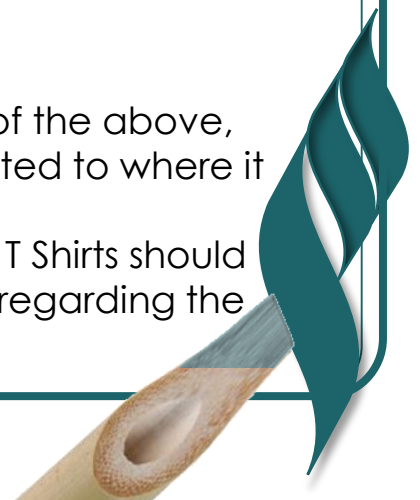
PE: Plimsolls (slip on) - black.

Track Suit: Black

T-Shirt White (plain)

Should you have any difficulty in obtaining any of the above, please let the admin know and you will be directed to where it can be purchased from.

All Jubbahs, Pull overs, cardigans, tracksuits and T Shirts should carry the CPS logo. Please ask admin for details regarding the logo.



## FEES

Per Annum : £3500+VAT

- Option 1 : £3500 +VAT in full within the first 2 weeks
- Option 2 : £1166.66 +VAT x 3 terms at the beginning of every term
- Option 3 : 10 Monthly Payments of £350 + VAT pcm

*The inclusion of 'plus VAT' reflects the regrettable government-imposed tax on private education, effective from 1st January 2025. While this adds to the cost, true education is not an expense but a timeless investment, one that in-shaa-Allah will nurture minds, shape futures, and enrich generations to come.*

## COMMUNICATION

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An online portal with a parent app will be set up shortly through which parents will be able to contact the school office or view policies, syllabus or the latest notices and news.

- We may also contact you by phone, text or email so it is important to keep us up to date with your contact information.

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