

Our Team:

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2 Year Old Practitioner

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Manager

2 Year Old Practitioner

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Assistant

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Dear Parents/Carers and friends of Madni EY,

A very warm welcome to all parents, new and old. The beginning of this academic year is a very exciting time for us here at Madni. The school celebrated 30 successful years of MMGHS with a total rebrand, and we are now proud to be known as Madni Academy. We also have a chic new logo and a jazzy new website to complete our new look, please do take the time to have a quick browse through our website.

As usual, it has been a busy first term at Madni, however I'm very pleased at the number of mums who were able to join us for the coffee afternoon in November. The phonics and reading workshops were also a success. IA there are plans to run further workshops next term- watch out for details.

I do hope that you are able to join us for our Banquet Meal on 16th December 2017 as we celebrate Inspirational women. Finally, wrap up well and keep warm, the winter months look set to welcome us with a big freeze! Enjoy the break and IA we shall see you all back safely in 2018.

Your Servant in Islam,
Shakera Mirza

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 21st December: EY Review day.

The Early Years will be closed on this day

We will be closing for the end of term on

Friday 22nd December 2017 at 12.00

and will reopen on **Monday 8th January**

2018. Please note

Early Years & Reception
setting will be half day
on Friday.



Breakfast club

Breakfast club is open to all children in the
Early Years from 8.30 to 9.00, there is a
nominal cost of £1.00 per day

Attendance:

Attending school on a regular basis is important for every child. Could you please ensure your child attends school regularly. In the event of your child being ill please ring the school.

Winter

We have been learning all about the seasons Autumn and Winter.

The children have enjoyed taking part in activities and talking about the changes in the weather. The children had lots of fun when we made a larger than life snowman for our display boards and had a go at making mini Snow men and snowflakes with glitter and cotton wool.

We have been exploring our local area and looking at changes in the sea seasons. The children have been and discovering the ice that appears around the playground.



PC Annette visits Madini EY

On 30th November we had a visit from PC Annette. The Nursery spent the morning learning about road safety, different police roles and dressed up as officers and inspectors. The children enjoyed talking to PC Annette and were eagerly listening to emergencies coming through on her radio. We had great fun learning about the role of police in our community.

Madni's Pyjama Day!

On Thursday the 9th of November the Early Years had a whole day dedicated to pyjamas and books. Reading is extremely important for every child so we spent the day in our PJ's and reading our favourite books. Children were encouraged to bring in their favourite book and share it with the class. We ended the day with hot choco-



Coffee Afternoon

A huge jzk to all the mothers that attended the Early Years Coffee Afternoon on Wednesday 22nd November, it was heart-warming to see so many mums take a positive interest in the future of our setting. Items on the agenda included: highlights of the Autumn term and sharing our priorities for the academic year. Generally there was very positive feedback from mums on the development of the setting and parents commended staff on the positive effect the daily thaleem is having on children; they are well mannered and have learnt lots of

2 YEAR OLDS

This term the 2 year olds have been having loads of fun learning colours. They have been introduced to red, blue, green and yellow and have picked up the colours very quick. The children have created amazing pieces of art which have been displayed in the corridors.



Textures

In the classroom we have had loads of fun getting our hands dirty. We have been exploring different materials such as flour, beans, foam and paint. Although we all got very messy, the children were very interested and they were all able to describe what they were feeling. "Squashy" "Cold" "Gooey"

What we have been learning ...

This term we have been focusing on perfecting our pencil control and recognising our shapes such as circle square, triangle and rectangle. The children have been using their imagination to create pictures using shapes and some children have been tracing their own name .
Well Done Everybody!

Upcoming Events in the Spring Term:

Trip to Krazy Kingdom
Teddy takes a tumble workshop
Chicken Hatching
Butterfly Kit

NURSERY

The Nursery children have been looking at 'people that are different to ourselves' this term. To help them understand that we must respect those that are different to ourselves we looked at the Hindu festival of Diwali. Rangoli Patterns was one of the many activities that the children took part in to understand this festival.



Phonics:

The children have been learning their sounds and letters this term. Many have already moved onto blending simple words. We have also been focusing on writing names without our name cards, well done to everybody for trying super hard!

Numbers and Shapes:

In our number work we have been counting numbers to 20 and forming our numbers to 10

This term the Nursery have been reading 'Shark in the Park' and 'The Gruffalo.' We have been looking closely at the characters and have created a wonderful display. Children have especially enjoyed reading the Gruffalo and have had fun acting the book out.



RECEPTION

This term the Reception children have been working super hard in Literacy and Numeracy. A well done to all the children for their hard work.

Literacy:

Reception have been focusing on Traditional Tales. We have been reading stories such as Little Red Riding Hood, 3 Billy Goats and Goldilocks. In class the children have created mini role plays and created their own story endings.

Numeracy:

This term the children have been learning all about 2D Shapes and Money. They have been dealing with money, and role playing shopkeepers to support them in their learning.

The Reception children visited the library. We were welcomed into the library by two lovely ladies Katie and Sarah who sat with the children and talked about the importance of a library, sang nursery rhymes and along with the children read The Gingerbread Man. Everyone really enjoyed the visit to the library and hopefully we can carry on encouraging children the importance of reading together.



We encourage all our children to cover their head during the daily thaleem, please provide your child with a topi or a scarf to wear.