



**Blossom**  
**Nursery**  
*planting seeds of goodness*

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**All praises are for Allah, the Lord of the Universe.**

Brother Abu Yassir, the Power of Allah destined us to meet, whereby I looked upon your face and in your eyes and saw goodness, protectiveness and love for the Muslims and their children, especially regarding the teaching of the Holy Qur'an from a young age, using your own children as role models.

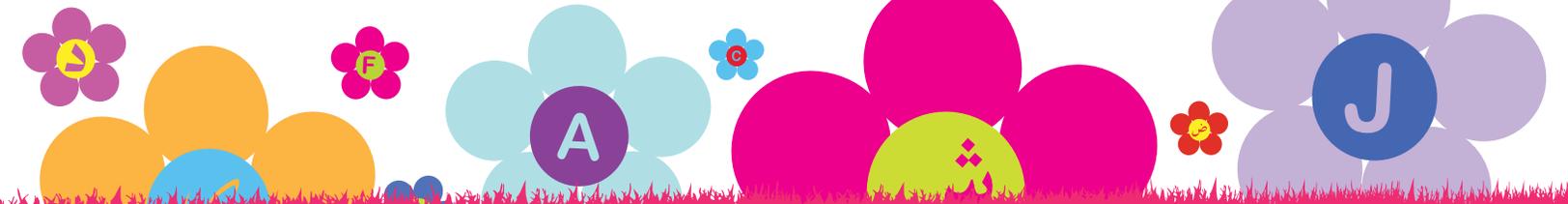
When destiny drove me to meet you again, I was surprised when you told me that this building (Blossom Nursery) was going to be a day nursery for little children. I thought to myself this is the beginning of a new era for Muslim children in reading and learning the Qur'an. May Allah Bless you Abu Yassir, as you proceed, and may Allah be with you, as are the people of the Quran.

All praises are for Allah, Lord of the Universe.

**Shaykh Bakr Ghayth**

Inspector Al-Quds Mosques and previous Imam and Teacher of Masjid Al-Aqsa.





# About our Nursery

Blossom nursery is a new nursery dedicated to the educational and spiritual wellbeing of your precious little ones. From toddlers to preschool, we provide a stimulating and caring environment in which your child can safely explore the world around them.

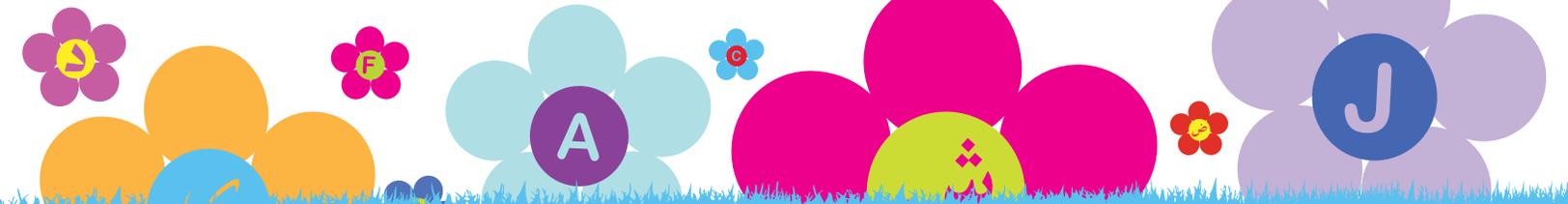
Our staff to child ratio is excellent, meaning you can relax in the knowledge that your child is receiving quality time and attention, whilst being encouraged to learn through play. Our ethos is simple – we offer curriculum based learning in an Islamic environment.

Blossom nursery takes pride in its anti-discrimination policy – we do not discriminate on the basis of race, culture, religion, disability or gender. Regardless of your child's background, we encourage children to work and play together to promote a sense of peace and unity - values which underpin the Blossom philosophy.

Investing in your child's Islamic upbringing is central to the philosophy of Blossom. This means that your child is brought up with the correct moral principles of Islam which will enable them to grow into a productive and central member of the Islamic community.

Blossom nursery was opened with a vision to facilitate quality educational care whilst instilling good Islamic morals and learning. The first five years of a child's life are the most important, as these are the years in which not only do they complete 80% of their entire lifetime's learning, but is also the time when children can be taught the love of Allah and Islam which will hopefully last them a lifetime.





# Our Approach

Children learn best when they are in a safe, secure and happy environment, where their independence is encouraged. What makes Blossom nursery unique is that we strive to achieve a 'home from home' environment, where children can relax, learn and be inspired.

Independence is encouraged at all stages to help equip children with essential life skills that are necessary in the outside world. We provide state of the art educational facilities which promote a love of learning in a relaxed, fun atmosphere.

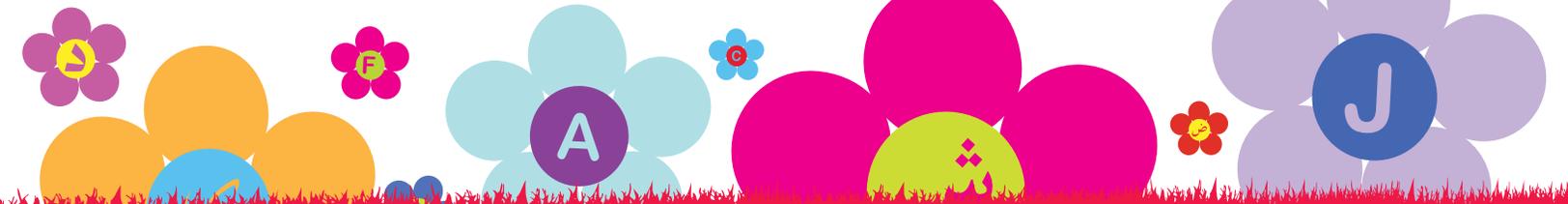
Because Islam is at the heart of our vision, Blossom nursery addresses the concerns that you as a parent have about the Islamic upbringing and welfare of your child. All children will be taught:

- Verses from the Quran
- How to read the Quran
- To listen and enjoy the Quran
- Arabic language
- Stories about the Prophets
- General Islamic rules and upbringing (Akhlaq)

Our primary reason for weaving the love of Islam into daily nursery life is to ensure that your child is exposed to the best that Islam has to offer. The emphasis of learning is fun, and what better way to teach your child about Islam than in an exciting and engaging way?

All of our teaching practices are based on the backdrop of Islamic principles and learning. This ensures that Islam is at the heart of your child's life in a positive and beneficial way.





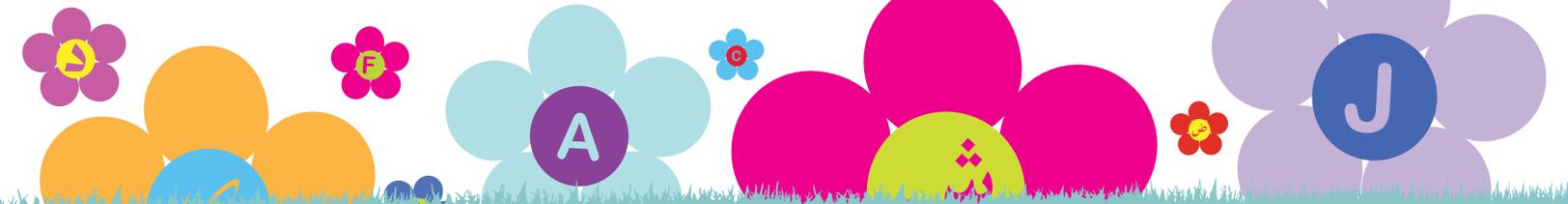
# Our Vision and Aims

Our vision is to help your child grow in a stable Islamic environment where they can learn and mature into independent and intelligent human beings.

We strive to offer your child the best of current educational practices which promote the social, mental, physical and emotional needs of your child.

The 'Blossom Nursery Charter' outlines our aims which are to:

- Help all children become independent and self-sufficient
- Plant the seeds of goodness into the hearts of our children so that they become caring, thoughtful and sensitive individuals
- Teach children curriculum based subjects to give them a head start in school
- Provide a safe, secure and happy environment where children are nurtured to learn in the best way possible
- Ensure that children learn the principles of Islam in a warm, relaxed and friendly atmosphere
- Develop a deeper understanding of your child, ensuring that their learning is tailored to their needs
- Take into account each and every child's background (regardless of race, gender, disability, language and other issues) to provide dedicated care and attention
- Nurture good Islamic morals and manners in each child so that they develop into happy and emotionally complete individuals
- Encourage and motivate children to become productive and confident members of the community
- Develop mutual respect and love between children and staff so that children are happy and content to learn in a relaxed and non-threatening way
- Put parents minds at ease about the upbringing and welfare of their child



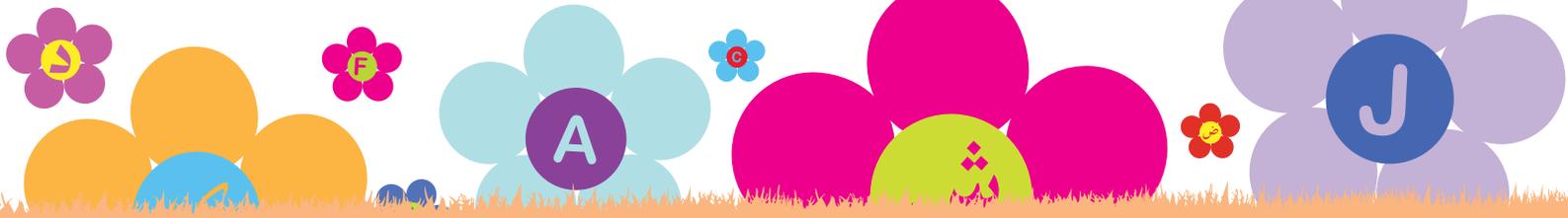
# The Curriculum

We believe in nurturing children to be their best and allowing for their individual personalities to shine through. At Blossom nursery, our curriculum is based on National Government guidelines to ensure that your child's educational needs are easily met.

Your child is encouraged to learn through play and learning is geared towards promoting:

- Cognitive (mental) development
- Social skills
- Physical and creative development
- Emotional wellbeing
- Language and literacy development
- Numeracy
- Scientific and environmental awareness
- Life skills
- Problem solving and reasoning
- Personal and spiritual development
- Self awareness
- The ability to make healthy food choices





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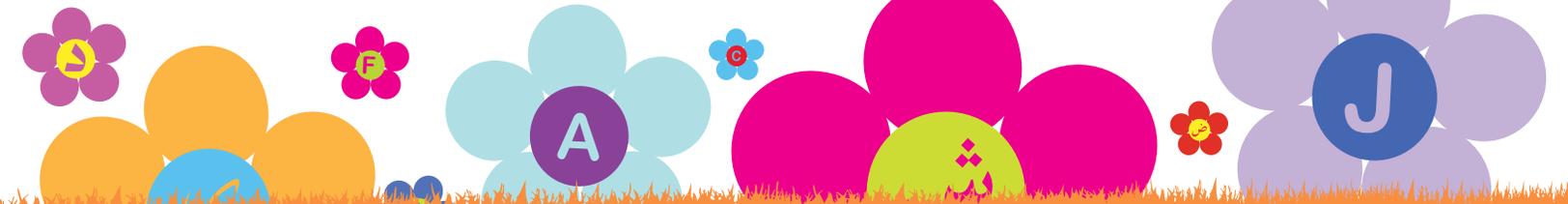
Learning is facilitated by the use of 'stations' within the nursery. These are self-contained areas in the nursery where children can learn all about a particular aspect of their educational development. Each station is equipped with age-appropriate teaching and learning materials which make learning a pleasure.

Our staff are trained to the highest of standards to ensure that your child is learning in the most exciting and best way possible. We have an excellent teacher to child ratio, which means that each and every child can be given quality time and instruction to learn in the easiest and most productive way.

We take a child-centric approach. This means that we continually monitor and assess each child and tailor their learning so that it is appropriate for their individual circumstances.

The equipment in our Nursery has been specially developed to stimulate imaginative play and develop fine physical (motor) skills in children.





# Age Grouping *The Seedlings room*

Blossom nursery is dedicated to helping your child get the most out of their learning during their time here. We have two specially designated rooms that cater to the individual needs of children from toddlers to preschool. Seedlings Room.

The Seedlings room caters for toddlers ages 2-3. There is one teacher to every four children in this room. As the name suggests, Seedlings need lots of time and attention to help them grow and mature into beautiful blossoms –something we highly endorse.

Children in this age range are highly active and naturally very curious about the world around them. Their attention span is also very short, so the Seedlings room provides a large variety of stimulating toys and activities which actively encourages sharing and group play.

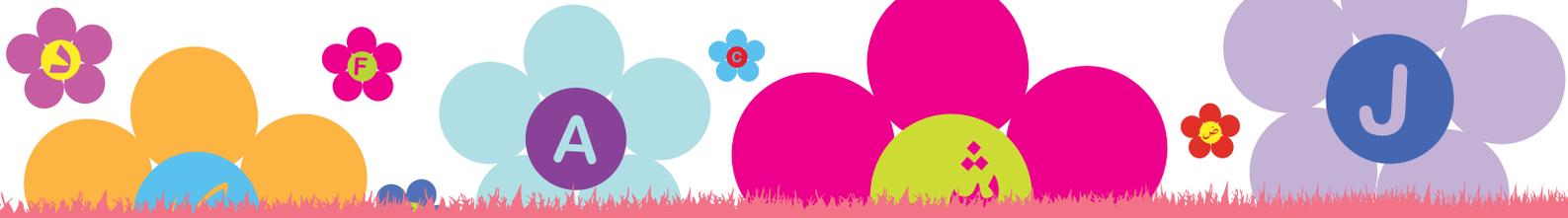
At this stage of a child's development, children are learning to discover not only their surrounding environment, but also their own personal preferences too. Teachers are trained to work with the children in various settings to promote independence at all stages in the child's development.

Children are taught to make decisions and think for themselves, as well as learning essential life skills. In line with the curriculum, Blossom nursery uses a variety of different resources to focus activities which prepare the children for the outside world. Our sessions take place at 'stations' which are equipped with appropriate resources to help them learn. Stations include:

- Books and storytelling
- Arts and crafts
- Games and puzzles
- Blocks
- Dramatic play

In addition to the stations, we place added emphasis on sessions which are practical and hands on wherever possible. Your child will be encouraged to work in groups, or with a friend and to also work independently to inspire confidence.





## Age Grouping *The Little Blossoms room*

The Little Blossoms room caters for preschool children ages 3-5. There is one teacher for every eight children.

Focused on preparing your child for school, the Little Blossoms room is classroom based with activities geared towards the solid learning principles of the National curriculum. Learning materials and resources in this area are specially designed to help your child learn literacy, numeracy, communications and creativity, all while feeding their love of learning.

Blossom nursery has an excellent outdoor play area which includes a garden, planting area, storytelling and play area.

To complement their learning, your child will also learn the equivalent in Arabic too. Children find learning fun and easy, and learning a new language is not only useful, but is a great way to teach your child the language of the Quran in an easy and engaging way.

Please note that free nursery places are available for children who are eligible for the Nursery Education Fund (NEF). If you would like more information, please ask a member of our staff who will only be too happy to assist you.



# Our Policy

- 1 We aim to ensure that all sections of our community have access to the nursery through open, fair and clearly communicated channels.
- 2 Staff will ensure that a warm, caring relationship is built with children and their carers.
- 3 Our Nursery believes that children flourish best when they know how they are expected to behave and should be free to play and learn without fear of being hurt or unfairly restricted by anyone else.
- 4 We welcome suggestions on how to improve our Nursery and will give prompt and serious attention to any concerns about the running of the Nursery.
- 5 All children are assessed individually and their personal needs are cared for.
- 6 It is our intention to respect the privacy of children and their parents and carers, while ensuring that they access high quality Nursery care and education.
- 7 Systems are in place to ensure that children cannot leave the premises without an authorised adult and that children are properly cared for in the event of a delay to their collection at the end of a session.
- 8 The adult to child ratio is monitored closely in the nursery to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the children at all times. We do NOT include students in our adult to child ratios.
- 9 Our nursery is committed to providing equal opportunities to all children and their families, regardless of their background. We do NOT tolerate any form of discrimination, racial, religious, gender or otherwise.
- 10 All equipment complies with Government standards of health and safety and is appropriate to the ages of the children.
- 11 A high standard of hygiene is maintained at all times.
- 12 All accidents are recorded and parents informed.
- 13 Staff do not discriminate against any child or parents on the grounds of race, culture, gender, disability, or lifestyle.
- 14 All parents and carers are welcome to read a copy of our policy and procedures. The folder is available to view at any time, so please ask a member of staff if you require assistance with this.
- 15 We see every parent and child as a key stakeholder in our business. Your comments and views are always welcome and reviewed by our management to continually help improve our nursery.



# Health and Safety at Blossom Nursery

Blossom nursery is dedicated to the safety and wellbeing of your child. Our premises have been specially designed to ensure that all areas including outside play areas are safe, secure and conform to all health and safety regulations as laid out by government guidelines.

Staff are all required to complete an enhanced CRB check to check for convictions or potential problems. We work with the local Safeguarding Children's Board guidelines to ensure that Blossom nursery maintains the highest safety and security controls.

Our staff are also trained to the highest of standards. We individually reference and check each member of staff to ensure that not only are they trustworthy and properly qualified, but that they are caring and committed to the welfare and learning of all of our children.

Children are never left unattended or unsupervised at any time, and we never allow children to leave the premises without a supervising adult or their carer.

Rest assured, your child can thrive and learn in an environment which is safe, secure, relaxed and conducive to learning.



# Admission Policy

To register your child at the nursery, you must return a completed registration form, stating the sessions that you require and the date that you would like to your child to start. A non-returnable registration fee of £25.00 is required with the registration form you must also sign and date the registration form and Direct Debt mandate. **Direct Debt is the only method of payment accepted.** Should there be a waiting list for the session you require, the date on your registration form will be used to determine who is offered the session first. While every effort is made to ensure that your child is able to have the session they want, sessions are strictly allocated on a first come, first served basis.

When you register your child, we will notify you about the availability of sessions. If your child is on a waiting list, we will do our best to inform you of the length of time you may have to wait before you receive a session.



