

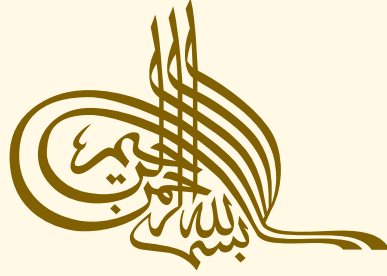


MASJID-AL-FAROUQ

Prospectus

‘Ālimiyyah Course





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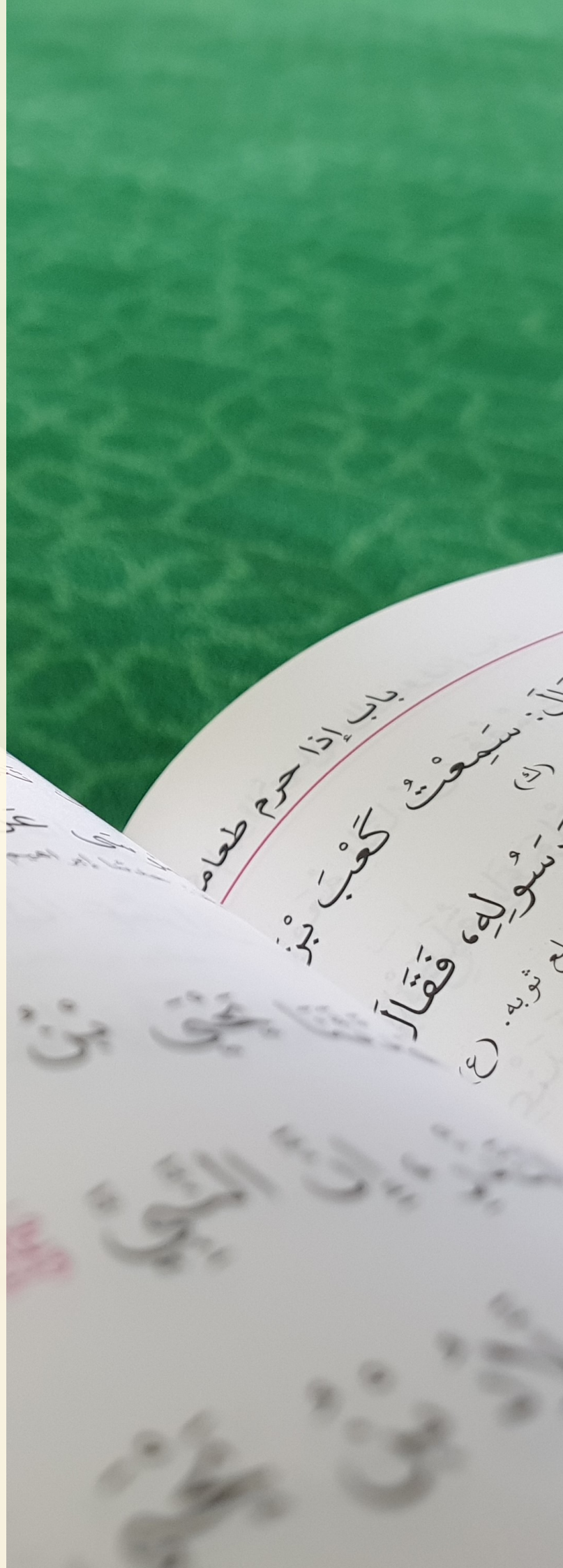
“Only those who fear Allāh among His servants are those who have knowledge.”

Al-Fātir (35): 28



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BACKGROUND

Masjid-Al-Farouq 'Ālimīyyah Course was established in 2009 in order to provide the Muslims of the West Midlands a way to pursue in-depth Islamic studies while balancing their secular studies or professional lives.

By the grace of Allāh, our first class of 'ulamā' graduated in 2020. Presently, we have approximately twenty students, many of whom are university/college students or are working full-time.



HEADTEACHER'S STATEMENT

“ Our students are our vision, and we believe their time in the 'ālim course should shape their character and provide them with a firm grasp of the principles of Islam, preparing them for the different challenges they may face in the future.”

Mawlānā Ebrahim Esakjee
Principal
Senior Lecturer of Hadīth

ABOUT THE COURSE

The *'Ālimīyyah* Course is a comprehensive and thorough curriculum covering many Islamic disciplines, specially designed to equip students of knowledge with all the major sciences required to serve as *'ulamā'* in their communities.

The *'Ālimīyyah* Course curriculum closely follows the *Dars-e Nizāmī* syllabus established by *Mawlānā* Nizām Al-Dīn Sihālwī رحمته اللہ علیہ in the early 18th century. The course starts by familiarising the student with Arabic, a requisite skill, indispensable in studying the Islamic texts. The students cover a variety of sciences, ranging from Islamic jurisprudence (*fiqh*) to Quranic exegesis (*tafsīr*). The students begin by covering introductory works in that field, culminating in advanced-level texts in later years. As part of our course, we also seek to imbue students with transferable proficiencies such as presentation and public speaking skills that will benefit them in their future.

A typical *'ālimīyyah* course in a *dār al-'ulūm* would take six years of full-time study. Due to the part-time hours we offer (to cater specifically for students unable to commit full-time), in order to complete the extensive course without compromising the educational content, the course takes approximately eight to nine years.

At the end of the course, the student is granted *ijāzah* (permission to transmit *hadīth*) through their own *isnād* (continuous chain of narration reaching the Prophet ﷺ).



 *Teachers* 



SENIOR TEACHERS

Mawlānā
EBRAHIM ESAKJEE
*Principal, Senior
Lecturer of Hadīth*

Mawlānā Ebrahim graduated from *Dār Al-'Ulūm* Bury, England in 1998 where he studied under leading contemporary scholars like *Hazrat Mawlānā Yūsuf Motālā* رحمته اللہ علیہ, *Hazrat Mawlānā Hāshim Patel* رحمته اللہ علیہ, *Hazrat Muftī Shabbīr Ahmad* رحمته اللہ علیہ and *Hazrat Mawlānā Bilāl Bāwa* رحمته اللہ علیہ. *Mawlānā* Ebrahim is the founder and principal of the 'Ālimīyyah Class. *Mawlānā* is involved in many community welfare and outreach projects.

Mawlānā
MUHAMMAD AS'AD
*Senior Lecturer of
Hadīth*

Mawlānā As'ad studied in *Dār Al-'Ulūm* Dewsbury, England and *Jāmi'ah Al-'Ulūm Al-Islāmīyyah*, Binnouri Town, Pakistan before graduating from *Dār Al-'Ulūm* Deoband, India in 1996. *Mawlānā* has studied under luminaries such as *Hazrat Mawlānā Nasīr Ahmad Khān* رحمته اللہ علیہ, *Hazrat Muftī Sa'īd Pālanpūrī* رحمته اللہ علیہ and *Hazrat Mawlānā Arshad Madanī* رحمته اللہ علیہ. *Mawlānā* also has permission to transmit *hadīth* from *Hazrat Mawlānā Yūnus Jawnpūrī* رحمته اللہ علیہ, *Hazrat Mawlānā Anzār Shāh Kāshmirī* رحمته اللہ علیہ and *Hazrat Mawlānā Sālim Qāsmī* رحمته اللہ علیہ. *Mawlānā* is the author of the acclaimed Gift for Muslims series and is a *khatīb* at Birmingham Central Mosque.

SENIOR TEACHERS

Muftī

JUNED SARIGAT

*Senior Lecturer of
Hadīth*

Muftī Juned graduated from Dār Al-'Ulūm Karod, India in 2005 and studied further in Dār Al-'Ulūm Saharanpur, India. Muftī Juned has studied under many eminent scholars including Hazrat Mawlānā Hanīf Luhārwi رحمته اللہ علیہ and Hazrat Mawlānā Yūnus Jawnpūrī رحمته اللہ علیہ, Muftī Juned is engaged in charitable activities and humanitarian efforts in countries such as India and Malawi. Muftī Juned is also an imām at Masjid-Al-Farouq.

Mawlānā

ABBAS AFZAL

*Head of Arabic
Studies*

Mawlānā Abbas studied in Dār Al-'Ulūm Kidderminster, England and graduated from Dār Al-'Ulūm Bury, England in 2005. Mawlānā studied under Hazrat Mawlānā Āzad 'Alī رحمته اللہ علیہ, Hazrat Mawlānā Ahmad Patās رحمته اللہ علیہ and Hazrat Mawlānā Yūsuf Lorgat رحمته اللہ علیہ. Mawlānā is an expert in Arabic syntax and morphology and is authoring an encyclopaedic book on Arabic rhetoric. Mawlānā Abbas has developed many learning resources which he employs as part of his teaching methods to help the students grasp the concepts at hand.



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 *Syllabus* 



SYLLABUS

Our course begins with the study of the language of the *Qur'ān*, and proceeds to cover all the major sciences required for a firm academic grounding in the religion.

The following subjects are taught as part of the course and an outline of what is covered in each of these disciplines can be found on the subsequent pages.

- ☞ Arabic
- ☞ *Tajwīd*
- ☞ Exegesis (*Tafsīr*)
- ☞ Principles of *Hadīth* (*Usūl Al-Hadīth*)
- ☞ *Hadīth*
- ☞ Principles of Jurisprudence (*Usūl Al-Fiqh*)
- ☞ Jurisprudence (*Fiqh*)
- ☞ Theology (*'Aqīdah*)
- ☞ Urdu



SYLLABUS

ARABIC

Arabic is an essential tool for understanding the *Qur'ān* and religious texts. Topics such as syntax (*nahw*) and morphology (*sarf*) are taught to give the student a technical understanding of the language required for the analysis of the classical texts. Basic conversational skills are also covered.

TAJWĪD

Students are taught *tajwīd* in order to perfect their recitation of the *Qur'ān*. The *makhārij* (origin places) and *sifāt* (qualities) of the letters are taught both theoretically and practically to ensure the subject matter can be appropriately brought into practice.

EXEGESIS (TAFSĪR)

The *Qur'ān* is the word of Allāh and the principal source of Islamic legislation. Students study the meanings of the verses and are taught their explanations based on the exegesis of classical scholars. The students are encouraged to ponder over the implications of the verses in modern day society.

PRINCIPLES OF HADĪTH (USŪL AL-HADĪTH)

In order to understand the science of *hadīth*, students must be fluent with the terminologies of the *muhaddithūn* (scholars of *hadīth*) and able to comprehend the principles behind the analysis and classification of narrations. The students are acquainted with this science prior to commencing their advanced *hadīth* studies.

SYLLABUS

HADĪTH

The teachings of the Prophet ﷺ are second only to the *Qur'ān* as the foundations of Islamic legislation. The *muhaddithūn* (scholars of *hadīth*) dedicated their lives to collect and preserve these sacred words. Students are introduced to *ahādīth* early on and advance to covering the entire corpus of the six major canonical works (*Kutub Al-Sittah*) in their final year.

PRINCIPLES OF JURISPRUDENCE (USŪL AL-FIQH)

After the era of the companions, the *mujtahid* scholars of *Islām* developed the new science of Islamic jurisprudence (*fiqh*) by thoroughly studying the primary sources. Examining their works reveals a set of principles that grant the student an insight into the art of extrapolating and deriving edicts based on *shar'ī* texts. The students are introduced to this science prior to initiating their advanced *fiqh* studies in order to maximise its relevance.

JURISPRUDENCE (FIQH)

Fiqh, or Islamic Jurisprudence, is the discipline that governs a Muslim's day-to-day actions, covering anything they may encounter in their life. As future scholars, it is imperative that students have a robust and extensive understanding of *fiqh*, as the majority of queries (*masā'il*) addressed to them will be regarding jurisprudential matters. *Fiqh* is therefore taught comprehensively to the students, starting early with basic primers, progressing on to covering the authoritative works of the *Hanafī* school of jurisprudence in later years.

SYLLABUS

THEOLOGY ('AQĪDAH)

As a response to Greek philosophical influences in the early generations of the Muslims, the scholars codified the foundational beliefs of *Islām* as understood from the earliest sources. This science became known as '*Aqīdah* (Islamic Theology). Familiarisation with these core doctrines is essential to ensure one stays firmly grounded in the religion and is able to distinguish innovations. Students are taught how to rationally articulate the central tenets of *Islām* and academically respond to challenges such as atheism. Various courses are also delivered by subject matter experts dealing with specialised aspects of '*aqīdah* relevant to modern-day issues.

URDU

To broaden the horizons of the students, they are taught Urdu as an extra language. This enables them to access a large repertoire of literature authored by the contemporary scholars of the Indian subcontinent.

See overleaf for a full programme of study.



	YEAR 1 <i>12-18 months</i>	YEAR 2 <i>12-18 months</i>	YEAR 3 <i>12-18 months</i>
ARABIC SYNTAX	<i>Tashīl Al-Nahw</i>	<i>Tashīl Al-Nahw</i>	
ARABIC MORPHOLOGY	<i>‘Ilm Al-Sarf</i>	<i>‘Ilm Al-Sarf</i>	
ARABIC LITERATURE	<i>Al-Qirā’ah Al-Rāshidah</i>	<i>Al-Qirā’ah Al-Rāshidah</i>	<i>Qasas Al-Nabīyyīn</i>
ARABIC VOCABULARY		<i>Safwah Al-Masādir</i>	
TAJWĪD	Miscellaneous		
URDU	Miscellaneous		
EXEGESIS			<i>Juz’ 1—10</i>
PRINCIPLES OF JURISPRUDENCE			<i>Usūl Al-Shāshī</i>
JURISPRUDENCE		<i>Nūr Al-Īdāh</i>	<i>Mukhtasar Al-Qudūrī</i>
THEOLOGY			
PRINCIPLES OF HADĪTH			
HADĪTH	<i>Al-Arba’ūn Al-Nawawīyyah</i>	<i>Zād Al-Tālibīn</i>	<i>Riyād Al-Sālihīn</i>

	YEAR 4 <i>12-18 months</i>	YEAR 5 <i>12-18 months</i>	YEAR 6 <i>12-18 months</i>
ARABIC SYNTAX			
ARABIC MORPHOLOGY			
ARABIC LITERATURE			
ARABIC VOCABULARY			
TAJWĪD			
URDU			
EXEGESIS	<i>Juz' 10—20</i>	<i>Juz' 20—30</i>	
PRINCIPLES OF JURISPRUDENCE			
JURISPRUDENCE	<i>Al-Hidāyah</i>	<i>Al-Hidāyah</i>	
THEOLOGY	<i>Al-'Aqīdah Al-Tahāwīyyah</i>	<i>Sharh Al-'Aqā'id Al-Nasafīyyah</i>	
PRINCIPLES OF HADĪTH		<i>Nukhbah Al-Fikr</i>	
HADĪTH	<i>Riyād Al-Sālihīn</i>	<i>Mishkāh Al-Masābīh</i>	<i>Sahīh Al-Bukhārī Sahīh Muslim Sunan Al-Nasā'ī Sunan Abī Dāwīd Jāmi' Al-Tirmidhī Sunan Ibn Mājah</i>

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﴿ STUDYING WITH US ﴾

LIBRARY

Our library houses hundreds of books covering a wealth of subjects in a variety of languages. Students are encouraged to benefit from the wisdom of the scholars by extensively perusing their works. The library is also home to our final-year *Bukhārī* class in order to facilitate self-study and research.

OPPORTUNITIES

As the *‘Ālimīyyah* course is taught within the *masjid* grounds, students are able to engage in a wealth of unique experiences that will help develop life-lasting transferable skills. Students are encouraged to deliver speeches and recite *qirā’ah* in *‘Ālimīyyah* class *jalsas* and are given the opportunity in later years to lead the second *jumu’ah* in the *masjid*. These experiences prepare the students for future leadership roles.





EXTRACURRICULAR

Alongside the students' formal education, we strive to develop skills in the students to aid them in their future and widen their prospects in both their religious and worldly affairs.

MONTHLY ANJUMAN

Each month, students are assigned groups in which they deliver speeches on selected topics to their peers. The students also memorise and recite portions of the *Qur'ān*. These *anjumans* help develop the students' confidence and improve their research and public speaking skills.

TARBĪYYAH

Alongside education, the nurturing (*tarbīyyah*) of the students is an important part of our ethos. Due to the intimate class sizes, students are able to develop effective relationships with their teachers and are hence able to benefit from their wisdom and experience.

Regular *tarbīyyah* sessions are held in which the students are advised in matters pertaining to spiritual self-rectification such as getting close to Allāh, improving one's character and maintaining good relations with others.





FAQs



FEEs

£55 per month
(subject to change)

TIMINGS

Weekdays
6:50 pm to 10:00 pm
*(can be increased in the
final two years subject to
students' availability)*

COURSE LENGTH

8-9 years
(subject to timings)

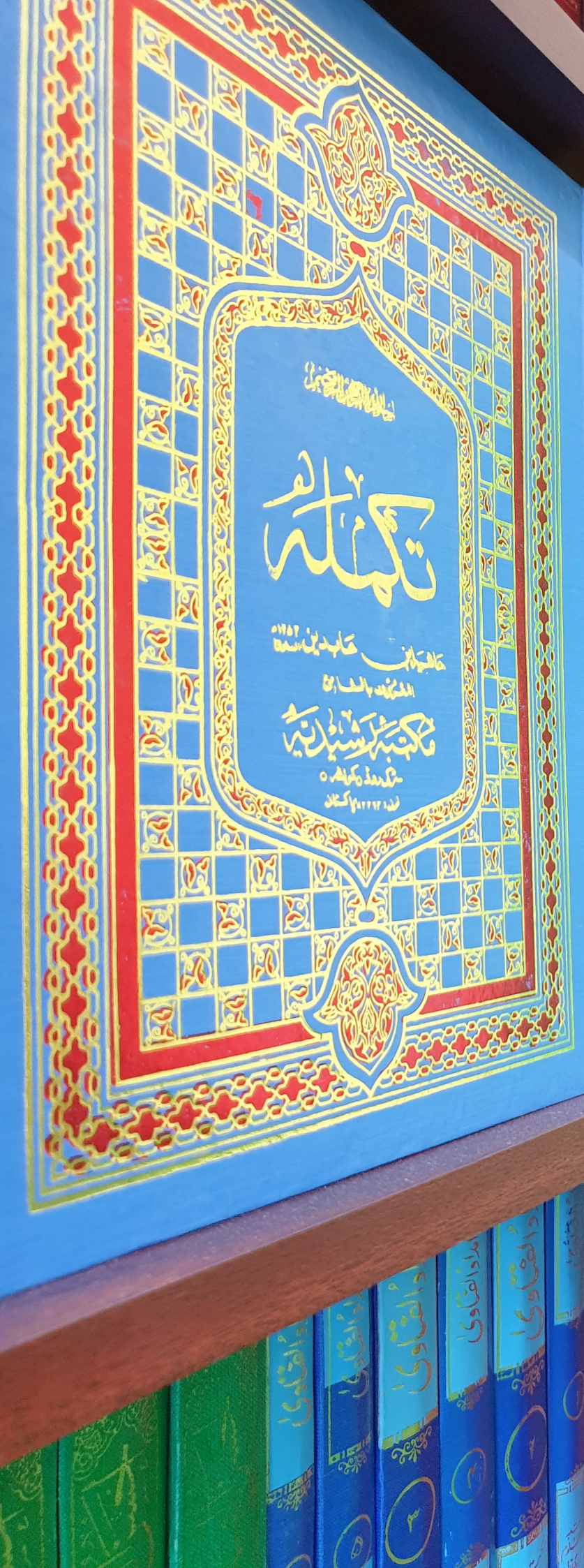
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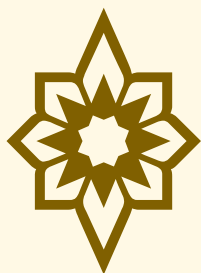
Males, 13 +
*(must be fluent in reciting the
Qur'ān with basic tajwid)*

ENQUIRIES

For further information,
or to apply, contact:

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