

Madrassah Riyadhul Jannah

Introducing physical activity and movement

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The Reasons for making changes in our Madrassah

- Children displayed a lack of focus and concentration.
- Extended periods of sedentary times during classroom sessions.
- Student attendance levels were consistently low.
- The curriculum lacked opportunities for interactive and practical learning.

What changed?

- Active Learning implemented into teaching sessions
- Active breaks implemented, supported by a resourceful kit bag
- Monthly playgroups organised for children and young people, featuring sports, games and arts & crafts.
- Some staff members have completed Active Learning training.
- The building owner began renovations to create an outdoor play space.

How did you change it?

- The principal was already on board with idea of Active Madrassahs and was open to implementing changes but needed to inform parents first.
- The curriculum was revised to include more interactive elements.
- While some teachers initially resisted the changes, noticeable improvements in student behaviour led to a positive change in teacher attitudes and eventually adopted the new approach.

- ✓ Relationship Building
- ✓ Doing Things Differently
- ✓ Connecting
- ✓ Investing in Strengths
- ✓ Brave Leadership

✓ Learning Together

Outcomes

- Improved student attendance and punctuality
- Children appeared more motivated and actively engaged
- Lessons became more interactive and dynamic
- Curriculum was more enjoyable and stimulating for students

What next?

- Extend Active Learning training to all remaining staff members
- Upgrade and renovate the outdoor area facilitate outdoor learning and physical activities



Since the Madrassah has introduced more activities, my children are happier.
Parent

I enjoy coming to madrassah now because its more fun and we don't just sit in one place, we have a break to do activities in the class. (Maryam)

The Change in me

- Participating in the Female Leadership Academy has strengthened our connection within the network.
- It has highlighted the value of collaboration and the power of combining our strengths.
- We've noticed a positive shift in our mindset - we're now more open to trying new approaches.
- We're also more resilient and less likely to give up when faced with challenges.

