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Family Friendly: Parents, Babies, Children & Youth

As this is a course about raising our children, we want to ensure, so far as possible, that we make what is provided for the families, including the children, something that is most beneficial. We recognise that not everyone will have aunts, uncles, grandparents or friends they can leave their children with so we have sought to cater for assisting with engaging programmes for children to run alongside the main teaching inshaAllah.

Please email or text us for any questions and up to date information relating to the parent & child room, the crèche or the Youth programme, for which brief details are below.

Crèche Service

Each City that can offer a crèche service does so by outsourcing the provision to local child carers who meet all the relevant requirements to run such a service.

Guidance on age range: 3-6 years

The team running the service have provided guidance as to what usually works best in their experience for one day events to make the experience as beneficial for the children and the parent's inshaAllah.

Usually children under 3 year olds can find it difficult to settle especially when it is a one off event and the carers are people they have never met before. Hence we are providing a parent & child room (please see below). Our experience, along with that of the team of child carers, is that children over 6 years, need different forms of activities to keep them engaged. Hence we have included a specific Youth Programme for 7-11 year olds (see below).

The team of child carers are happy to consider assisting to look after children outside the 3-6 age range if appropriate but have set this guidance with the best interest of all the families and students in mind.

Details and Fees

The crèche team have forms that need to be completed and these will be sent to you if you would like to book a space. There are fees for using the crèche service and these may vary from city to city and again this will be emailed to you upon enquiry. Spaces are limited so do book to secure your crèche spaces.

Parent & Baby room

For families with smaller children and children who may not settle easily in the crèche a parent & baby room which will have audio and video access to the teaching is usually more comfortable.

Parents can bring some familiar toys and/or activities for their children in the parent & baby room and this can help them settle. The parents who use this room also find they can help one another and their children do play together.

A volunteer will be present to ask if anyone has any questions and raise the questions in the main teaching room. Usually parents take it in turns to sit in the main hall or with the child or children in the parent & child room.

There are no additional fees for any child who will be joining their parent(s) in the parent & child room. There may be limited spaces so we do need you to email us to confirm you plan to use this space inshaAllah so we can seek to make it comfortable for all. Children over 3 may join their parents in this room if they have not been booked on the other programmes and this would be more appropriate. Please email us so we can see what we can cater for.

Please note that parents are responsible for supervising their children at all times. Please also note that other parents want to be able to benefit from the teaching so please bring appropriate activities to keep your children engaged.

Youth Programme

A specific youth programme will be run by teams from each of the different cities. All the sessions will be led by individuals who have experience in running youth programmes and meet the relevant requirements to do so.

The age range has been set at 7-11 as this is an age range that usually works well.

For children from around 10 onwards they can benefit from the Shaykh's teaching in the main sessions, if they can sit for the whole day. If you are not sure it may be sensible to book them in to the youth programme where they can benefit from a structured but varied specifically devised programme including games, workshops, sports activities and opportunities to benefit from sessions that are aligned to what is being taught in the main teaching sessions by the Shaykh inshaAllah.

There will be basic information the youth team will need so forms will be sent to parents for completion. There are fees for the youth programme and spaces are limited too.

Other FAQ's

Lunch: We are planning to have lunch provided at the venue. Please email us if you have any special dietary requirements at least 14 working days before the course so we can make sure the venue can accommodate dietary requests.

Registration will be from 9:30 am. Teaching will start promptly at 10am. We expect teaching to end at around 5pm with Q&A from 5-6pm.

The Shaykh is known to have lots of beneficial material to share. His ability to share it all depends upon how often he is enabled to continue through his material with Questions dealt with at the relevant opportunities in the schedule.