



# An insight into how AKEB projects can benefit you

We are much more than schools and cater for all ages from newborns to our seniors! Our current focus given the ongoing situation and thinking about the future is to ensure our Jamat is set up for success - now is the time to upskill and reskill to try and meet the economic uncertainty from a position of strength.

AKEB is here to support you and your family to provide access to education information and opportunities. While education has been disrupted our focus is to help you and your children identify opportunities to support learning and/or re-skilling. We cover education from early years to formal schooling to lifelong learning. Helping you to develop a growth mindset to access new learning will open up opportunities for you and your family.

# Highlights of some of our programmes

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT | 0-5yrs

#### Have you or someone in your family recently had a baby?

The arrival of a newborn is a blessing but it can also be a challenging time. Embrace is a network that provides community-based support for parents with newborn babies. We are pleased to collaborate with AKHB and WAP to provide this support to parents, enhancing the current provision offered by the National Health Service. Our role at Embrace is to help you to feel more confident during your journey into parenthood by creating new connections within the community.

Embrace is here to reduce any anxiety you may feel about the health and wellbeing of your baby, and the sense of isolation you may feel from not having the physical presence of extended family or friends.

Through 1-2-1 conversations with experienced professionals, Embrace can provide support, a virtual hug or a friendly chat. If you are a parent of a baby born in the last six months or know someone that is, please don't hesitate to contact us at eced@iiuk.org.





# MY LANGUAGE JOURNEY | 16yrs+

#### Do you need to improve your English language skills for education or employment opportunities?





We are running online English language courses with dedicated, trained and professional teachers, at all levels from basic English to business English at various times of the week. Courses are approximately 12 weeks long for an hour a week. To participate you just need a telephone or laptop and the willingness to improve your English language proficiency. These courses are available for those wanting to improve their English language for employment and education opportunities.

For further details or to register email us at mlj.akeb@iiuk.org.

## FUTURE SKILLS | ALL AGES!

Every Step, together

The impact of Covid-19 has accelerated disruption to how we work. Some of the changes will become permanent and will end up affecting the choices students make for their studies and work. Jobs will change and over the next decade many of the types of roles our students will enter do not yet exist. The changes are difficult to see and understand as parents and even students. We are embarking on a series of resources to help make sense of the changes and how families can think about education choices differently. In August we will deliver podcasts on this area.



If you have queries around future skills or would like to register for the podcasts, please email us akeb@iiuk.org.





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# **SUMMER 2020**

# More highlights of our programmes for all ages

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# HEADSTART

#### What does life-long learning mean to you? Reskilling to improve employment opportunities or a chance to learn a new skill to keep your brain active?

Whatever motivates you, continuing your learning journey after formal education can enrich your life and help you to make new connections. We have partnered with Alison to provide access to 1,000+ certified online courses through our education platform; HeadStart. Courses include Computer Skills, Leadership and Management, HR Diplomas, Nutrition, Physical Therapy, Elderly Care and Food Safety Hygiene.



HeadStart is home to a wide range of AKEB resources - webinars for parents of ECED, primary and secondary students and signposting to additional areas of support. HeadStart is accessible via IIUK - if you register for Alison courses using your IIUK registration details, we will be able provide you with a free certificate for your first completed certificate.

### Online learning available now via HeadStart with Alison

Why not recommend over 30 leadership courses from transformational leadership to creating meaning for employees?

# **STEM AGENDA**

#### Are you curious about how things work? Do you like to explore and enjoy learning new things?

The Aga Khan Education Boards of Canada, France, Portugal, UK and USA, announce the launch of the Global STEM Festival. This initiative welcomes participation from children and youth aged 3 to 17 years. Applying Science,

Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) concepts, participants will enhance their creativity and problem-solving skills by creating their own STEM projects. For more information visit click here.

## EAS & RISE

### What schools can I consider for my child? How do I prepare for parents' evening? Where can I access support for specific subjects? How do I make choices about degrees, apprenticeships or other courses?

The Education Advisory Service (EAS) is a telephone and email-based service to answer any education-related question for your or your child. The EAS team is a combination of experienced teachers and educational professionals who can provide input on key questions concerning education queries. Please contact us at akeb@iiuk.org.

# LEAPUP

#### Would you like to take the next step in your career or education and are not quite sure where to turn? Are you ready to unlock your potential in your studies or career?

The Aga Khan Education Board welcomes you to join LeapUp, a mentorship programme to help navigate your future and open up conversations to routes of possible opportunities. Take a step forward and speak to someone about your future today. Contact us via akeb.leapup@iiuk.org.

We hope you found the above information helpful. If you have any queries, feel free to ask us! With best wishes, The AKEB Team

## Contact Us

If you have any questions, comments or would like more information: akeb@iiuk.org



