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Investing in young people is crucial for building a better tomorrow. The youth are the ones that will shape our future, and so when we give them the help, education, advice, and opportunities that they need, we're not just helping them to grow and succeed, we're also preparing a group of young people that are well equipped and ready to overcome the many challenges and obstacles that they'll face in life. They'll bring innovative ideas and creativity and play a significant role in contributing to a society where all people are able to flourish.

As Muslims, we have a duty to ensure that our youth are equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to live their lives in accordance to the Qur'an and Sunnah. Whether they're facing challenges at school, difficulties in their social life, or struggling with their education, it's important that we remind them of the importance of turning to Allah (SWT), and also instil the confidence in them to navigate all of these trials.

Caring for our children doesn't just mean providing for them financially or advising them, it also means doing everything we can to further their spiritual and personal development.



Prophet Muhammd (PBUH) was always kind and loving toward the youth and it's reported by Anas ibn Malik that he "never saw anyone who was more compassionate towards children than Allah's Messenger (peace and blessings be upon him). His son Ibrahim was in the care of a wet nurse in the hills around Madinah. He would go there, and we would go with him, and he would enter the house, pick up his son and kiss him, then come back."

M U S L I M

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) highlighted that the pursuit of knowledge is a form of worship, and said "Whoever treads a path in search of knowledge, Allah (SWT) will make easy for him the path to Paradise."

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The Aim:

To provide a structured Islamic learning environment that promotes a balanced understanding of Islam, boosting self-confidence and improving life skills.

Who Is This For?

This programme is targeted at young people of secondary school age, who are looking to develop themselves outside of their academic studies and develop key skills to help them achieve great success in their future. This course will also provide Islamic grounding, with focus on how Islam is extremely relevant to everything we do, and the best way forward in this modern society.

The course is not just aimed at individuals that are at a specific level of knowledge or spirituality, but rather our hope is for everyone to grow and learn together in a safe surrounding.

These programmes provide a structured framework for learning about Islam's principles, values, and practices, while also emphasising critical thinking, tolerance, and respect for diverse perspectives. By engaging with such programmes, young individuals not only deepen their understanding of their faith but also cultivate a nuanced perspective that fosters harmony, empathy, and inclusion within their communities and beyond.

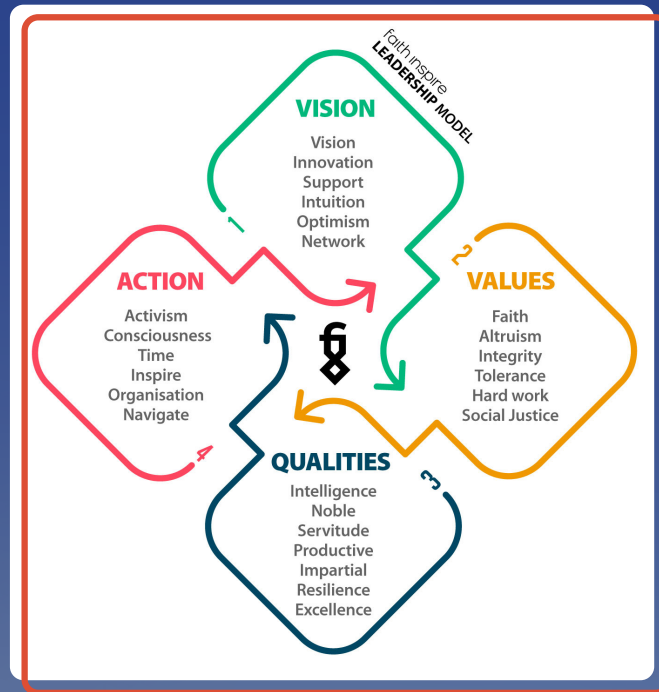
What's On Offer?

Our award-winning STEPS programme is a 11-month long, structured course beginning in September 2024 and ending in July 2025. Over the course of the programme, there will be a hybrid of classroom-based sessions and outdoor activities, alongside three key events.



The Curriculum

Each session will cover a topic from our 'Leadership Model' which is a carefully curated list of 25 Prophetic qualities that we feel young people can benefit from attaining. Every topic is explored in detail, with the relevance to Islam in the modern world, one of the main areas of focus.



The Schedule

STEPS consists of weekly sessions with breaks during school holidays, and Ramadan.

Every session has been designed with the young person in mind, meaning we avoid too much 'teaching', and rather focus on interactive learning and engaging activities for the young people.

The schedule for this year's programme can be found below:

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY
8. Induction	6. Intuition	3. HOLIDAY	1. Tolerance	5. HOLIDAY	2. Nobility	2. RAMADAN	6. HOLIDAY	4. Resilience	1. HOLIDAY	
15. Vision	13. Optimism	10. Faith	8. Hardwork	12. Values Overview	9. Servitude	8. IFTAR	13. Hike	11. Excellence Qualities Overviews	8. EID BREAK	
22. Innovation	20. Network & Vision Overview	17. Altruism	15. Social Action	19. Social Action	16. Social Action	16. RAMADAN	20. Productivity	18. Social	15. Presentation	
29. Support	25-27. Residential	24. Integrity	22. HOLIDAY	26. Intelligence	23. HOLIDAY	23. RAMADAN	27. Impartiality	25. Public Speaking	22. Presentation	25. Celebration

KEY EVENT 1:

The Leadership Retreat

Our weekend Leadership Retreat is one of the key highlights of our programme; many of our graduates still look back fondly on their retreats. The objective of the residential is to bring the youth closer together, while also experiencing a shared sense of spirituality as we pray in congregation and listen to Islamic reminders. The activities are a great source of team building as the youth learn more about each other and start forming life-long friendships.

KEY EVENT 2:

The Ramadan Iftar Event

Our Ramadan Iftar Event is another one of the key highlights of our programme as it's an event organised entirely by our young people. The young people are tasked to select a venue, select guests, select the menu, host the programme, etc. Every aspect of the event management is covered, as the participants arrange the iftar for both their own families and our Faith Inspire members.

KEY EVENT 3:

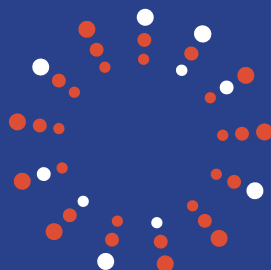
The Fundraising Challenge

The fundraising challenge is a key element of the STEPS programme as it teaches the youth the importance of charity and fundraising. With top prizes on offer, we arrange a challenging competition for the young people to raise as much money as possible. The funds raised by the young people allow us to subsidise future Faith Inspire youth programmes.

The fundraising challenge includes a sponsored hike or a mountain climb, which further develops the participants' resilience and spirit, as they're required to put in significant effort in pursuit of this charitable cause.

Celebration & Certificates

To round off the year, we host a graduation party where team leaders, family, friends and alumni are invited to celebrate the achievements of the participants. Each participant will receive a certificate as well as a graduation pack containing key information about volunteering opportunities and further development programmes.



Cost Of The Programme:

The cost of the programme is £200, however the overall cost of the programme is over £500. This is only made possible due to subsidies by Faith Inspire, from members' contribution, Launch Good's Ramadan Campaign and also those raised by the previous STEP cohort.

The £200 will cover the following:

- **September – July programme**
- **Refreshments**
- **Faith Inspire Welcome Pack**
- **Classroom and venue hire**
- **Transport to fundraising challenge and refreshments**
- **Celebration dinner**
- **The three-day residential cost that includes:**
 - **Transports from London to venue**
 - **Accommodation (room share)**
 - **Three meals a day**
 - **Activity centre cost, such as archery, high ropes and more**

For those that are struggling to make the full payment, we ask you to write to us via email for committee consideration for a concession; this will be reviewed on a case by case and we will provide further subsidies, if required. Please note that the committee decision is final, due to limited funds.

What Will My Child Get From The Steps Programme?

- **Meaningful & Long-lasting friendships**
- **Project management experience**
- **Fundraising experience**
- **Communication skills**
- **Greater confidence**
- **Better understanding of Islam**
- **Closeness to Allah (SWT)**
- **Volunteering opportunities**
- **Opportunity to receive a mentor**
- **Opportunities to take on a leadership role after the programme**



What Happens After?

On completion of the programme, all STEPS graduates receive the opportunity to partake in the following activities:

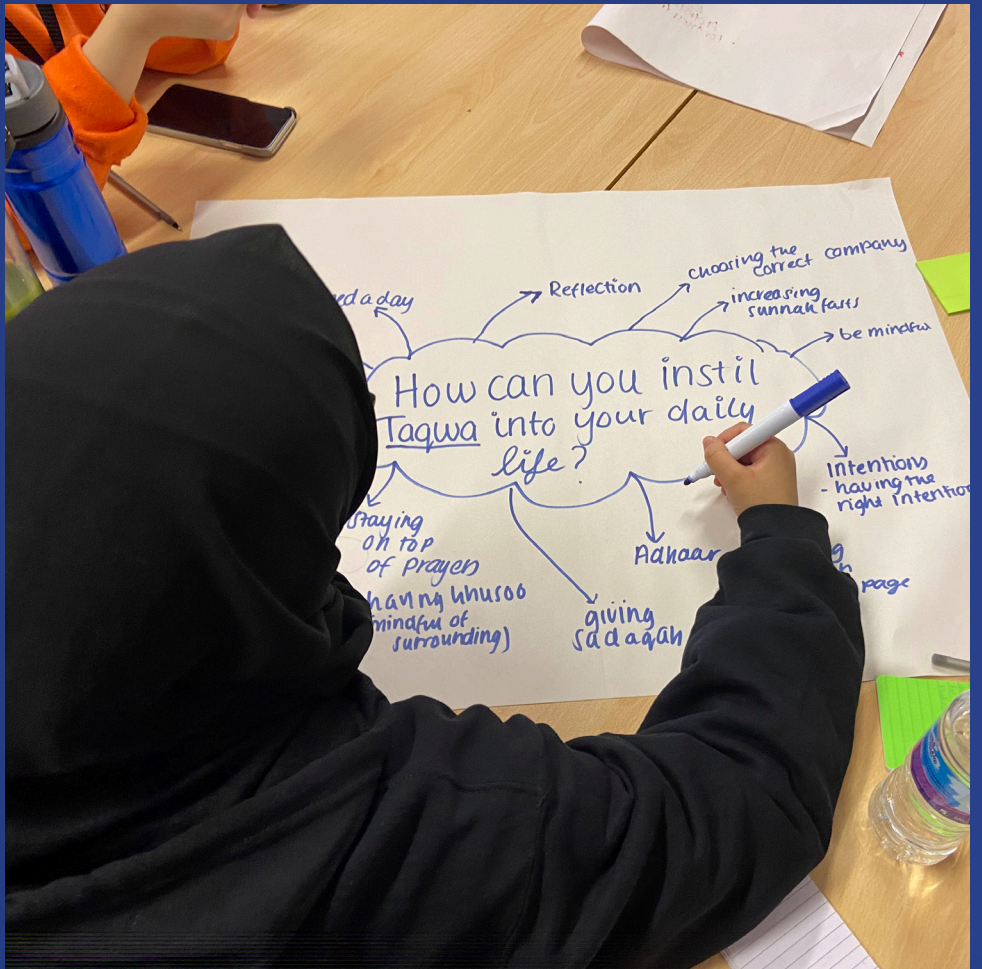
- **Automatic enrolment onto our STRIVE programme (16-21 yr old)**
- **Automatic enrolment onto our SIRAAT programme (11-16 yr old)**
- **Volunteering with our SIRAAT team to deliver our SIRAAT youth circle**
- **Volunteering with our STEPS team to deliver STEPS for the next cohort**

Additionally, we aim to provide each graduate with a mentor to help them navigate through the next stages of their life whilst staying close to Allah (SWT). Our mentors are highly qualified professionals, as well as graduates of our programmes, and can provide the young people with tailored advice and guidance to achieve their goals.

The Next Steps

- Register your child for the STEPS programme at:
FaithInspire.org/STEPS
- Due to limited spaces, following registration, you will be contacted by a member of our team who will reach out to you for an initial conversation to ensure the STEPS programme is the right fit for you and vice versa.
- You can also head over to our website:
<http://FaithInspire.org/STEPS> for more information and to access the FAQ section.







www.faithinspire.org/STEPS

Finally, if you have any further follow up questions, you can contact a member of the team directly via email or phone:

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