



Jaffna Muslim Association



Annual Family Gathering - 2026

United Kingdom

Welcome to this Special Edition of the JMA-UK Newsletter, dedicated especially to our Annual Family Gathering 2026.

This edition highlights our upcoming family gathering, a special occasion to bring our community together, strengthen our bonds, and create memorable moments for families, children, and youth.

The newsletter will include important information about the event, programme highlights, activities, community updates, and special moments from JMA-UK.

Let us come together as one community and make the JMA-UK Annual Family Gathering 2026 a memorable occasion for everyone.



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MESSAGE

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh

It's a great privilege for me to lead this year's Annual Gathering 2026; the first annual gathering for our team since our election in April 2026.

JMA UK's Annual Gathering is a unique event, since 2002. For Jaffna Muslims in the UK this is a great opportunity and an important event.

I'm certain you all know that JMA's Annual Gatherings have been held without fail and I assure you all this is a commitment that will always be the most prioritised and held high, in the present and future in'sha'allah. We proud to be the first charity organisation that are hosting this exclusive event for Jaffna Muslims in the UK only; you will not find this event an event like this anywhere else.

This day is not just a social gathering, it is an important part of strengthening our community, remembering our roots and conveying our values to the next generations. As the president and lead of the project, I thank all of you on behalf of our committee for being supportive and enthusiastic. Just like previous years, I am hopeful for everyone's utmost engagement.

Our invitation is open to all Jaffna Muslim descents and those who are connected. I know our community is scattered throughout the UK, but your effort could make a difference to your community.

Our team is working hard to ensure your day is unforgettable; arranging traditional food, sports, entertainment and much more. I extend my gratitude to our volunteers, who are continuously supporting this event's success from meal preparations to end-of-day cleaning.

I invite you to come along with your family and friends for a day of celebration and unity.



ORGANIZERS

Annual Family Gathering | 2026

Campaign

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Food & Beverage

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Registration - Pre

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Finance & Registration - Onsite

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Children Programme

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Outdoor Activities, Hall & Maintenance

Jaeeros Azankuthoos

Sports Events

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Youth Hub

Mohamed Farraj Firthouse

Hall Arrangement

Jaeeros Azankuthoos



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Jaffna Muslim Association-United Kingdom (JMA-UK) was founded in 2002 with a clear and meaningful purpose: to unite the Jaffna Muslim community living across the United Kingdom. Since its establishment, I have had the honour of serving the Association with sincerity, commitment and dedication.

To support this important mission, JMA-UK organised its first grand community gathering in East Ham in 2002. Since then, our Annual Gathering has become a much-anticipated occasion and an important milestone in the Association's journey.

The gathering provides a valuable opportunity for families and friends to meet, renew relationships and strengthen the bonds between our brothers and sisters. It also enables us to introduce our proud community identity, history, culture and values to the younger generation. By bringing people of all ages together, we help create a greater sense of belonging and encourage our young people to remain connected to their heritage.

This annual event also allows us to remember our community in Sri Lanka, raise funds and extend support to those in need. Furthermore, it creates opportunities for community members to exchange ideas, develop new friendships and work together towards the future progress of our community.

Although the Annual Gathering is organised under the banner of JMA-UK, its continued success is made possible by the tremendous dedication of hundreds of brothers, sisters and volunteers. I am deeply honoured and proud to have served on the organising committee from our first gathering in 2002 to the present day.

It is especially encouraging to see new volunteers joining us enthusiastically each year. Their energy, generosity and commitment give us great confidence in the future of JMA-UK. May Allah bless and reward everyone who contributes to the success of our Annual Gathering.

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Rozaan Farook

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திருநாளாம் எங்கள் பெருநாளாம்
தித்திக்கும் எங்கள் புதுநாளாம்
திக்குகள் சிதறி வாழுமெம்மை
திரட்டி மகிழும் நன்நாளாம்...

அன்புடன் அனைவரும் இன்புறவே
அகமகிழ்ந்து அன்பை பகிர்ந்திடவே
அருமையாய் சிரித்து மகிழ்வுறவே
அமைந்தது இந்தவொரு பொன்நாளாம்...

மண்ணின் பெருமையை மதித்திங்கு
மலரும் நினைவுகளை பகிர்ந்துமிங்கு
மண்வாசனையும் கூட நினைத்திங்கு
மயங்குமோர் இனிய நன்நாளாம்...

மழலை செல்வங்களுடன் வந்து
மனமாற கூடி மகிழ்ந்துமிங்கு
மணக்கும் மதிய உணவுமுண்டு
மனதை நெகிழும் பொன்நாளாம்...

பிரிந்து வாழும் உறவுகளை
பிணைக்கும் ஓர் அரியநாளாம்
பிணைந்து வாழும் நம்மவர்க்கு
பிரிவின் வலியை போக்கும் நாளாம்...

கூடி மகிழ்ந்து குதூகலிக்க
கூவிக்கூவி அழைப்புகளாம்
கூடிக்குலாவி குசலம்பேச
கூட்டம் கூட்டமாய் சேர்ந்துவாரீர்...

Feedback on the JMA Annual Family Gathering 2025

The JMA Annual Family Gathering 2025 was a wonderful experience, and I thoroughly enjoyed being part of it. The food was great, and it was especially nice to meet so many people, get to know new faces, and reconnect with others while sharing stories and memories from our childhood.

The organisation of the event was superb, and everything was very well planned and coordinated. I also really appreciated the initiative of recognising and awarding the youth for their achievements in both academics and Deen. It was a great way to encourage and motivate the younger generation to continue striving for excellence.

Overall, I really loved the experience. It was my first JMA Annual Family Gathering, and I'm very glad I had the opportunity to attend. I'm looking forward to more events like this in the future and, In Shaa Allah, to being part of this year's gathering as well.

Faizal Farook



PROGRAMMES

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2026



Youth Stage Performance & Awards

Dear JMA Family, The countdown to the Jaffna Muslim Association UK Grand Annual Gathering – 2026 has officially begun! This year, our community's heart and soul our younger generation takes centre stage to make this flagship family event a memorable success, official registrations are now open for all children's stage activities, creative showcases, and youth excellence awards. "Children are the living messages we send to a time we will not see.."

**Let us come together
to celebrate, uplift, and empower the bright future
of our community!**

A Message of Encouragement to *Our Children & Youth*

Every single child in our JMA family has a unique, beautiful gift, and this stage belongs entirely to you! Whether you love to tell stories, dress up in colourful outfits, or showcase your hard work from school and sports, we want to celebrate you. Do not feel shy—this is a warm, loving, and supportive space full of aunts, uncles, and friends who cannot wait to cheer you on. Step forward with confidence, share your talents, and let your light shine! We kindly request all parents to actively encourage their children and sign them up as soon as possible. Early registration is absolutely vital for the committee to accurately plan activities and arrange custom trophies and medals in advance!

FUN, GAMES & ENTERTAINMENT FOR EVERYONE!

Alongside our stage programs, we have a packed day of fun activities to keep the kids entertained from morning until later evening.

- Giant Bouncy Castles
- Open Playgrounds
- Traditional Food Stalls



ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

We are incredibly proud of our students who have reached major academic and religious milestones. Please submit nominations so we can honour their hard work with special community accolades.

- 11 Plus Achievement
- GCSE O/L Excellence
- GCSE A/L Excellence
- University Degree Graduates
- Hafiz & Qualified Aalim / Aalima

**SECURE
CHILD'S SPOT TODAY**

**STRICT REGISTRATION
DEADLINE**

10th September 2026

**YOUR CHILD'S SPOT
TODAY!**

PROGRAMMES

Outdoor Sports & Games

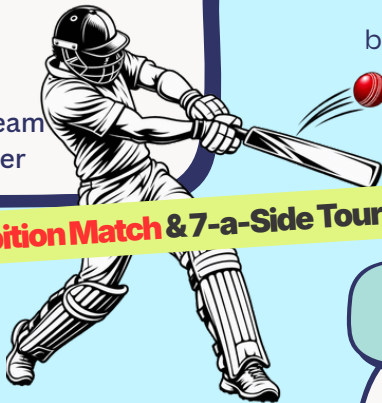
REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2026



CRICKET

A first-of-its-kind Cricket Exhibition Match by JMA, featuring an exciting 7-a-Side Cricket Tournament with two age categories:

- Under-15
- Over-15
- Limited Overs per Team
- Limited Balls per Over



JMA's First Cricket Exhibition Match & 7-a-Side Tournament

SUMMER 2027!

JMA CRICKET TOURNAMENT A New Tradition Begins!

Get ready for an exciting new chapter in JMA's sporting journey! The JMA Cricket Tournament launches in Summer 2027, bringing together players, families and cricket enthusiasts for a celebration of sport, teamwork and community spirit.



CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY FOOTBALL

Age Categories

- Under 11
- Under 16
- Under 25
- Under 35
- Over 35

A Championship Shield will be awarded to the winners of each category!

Play • Compete • Win • Celebrate

*More Exciting
Entertainment Awaits*



SACK RACE



TUG OF WAR

PROGRAMMES



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Dining & Refreshments



WELCOME TEA

LUNCH

DINNER



Prayer Facilities

