



# 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Monthly Newsletter

## ELA / READING

First graders have finished unit 5 and started our final unit of the year: working together.

Students did a play from the stories we have read in class for Reading Day. They did an amazing job acting out the scenes tying it back to the theme of COMPASSION.

We will now focus on finishing up our short stories in writing. Most students are finished with their second drafts and will work on their final drafts.

## MATH

We have finished time and money and moved on to addition. Students learned to add 2 digits without regrouping and with regrouping. Students learned that when we add, we start from the right because we might need to carry over. Alhamdulillah the students are getting the hang of it! We are now moving to 2 digit subtraction and will continue with it after spring break inshaAllah.

## SCIENCE

We have finished our motion and energy unit by ending it with our energy chapter. Students learned that there are four forms of energy and each form helps us with our lives.

## SOCIAL STUDIES

We just finished our Long Ago unit. Students studied and compared how life was like long ago and life now. We took a closer look at the roles women and girls played, school life and transportation. We will start our last and final unit after spring break.

## **ARABIC (SR. NAFN)**

Our first graders have finished unit 7 (I hear & I see) where they learned vocabulary words related to the five senses and more body parts. They learned two letters (waw, and haa) sounds & shapes with examples from vocabulary words. 1<sup>st</sup> graders learned how letter waw can mean “and”.

We just started unit 8 (Hatha Qittun Jameelun) where students are learning about animals and how to describe them using matching describing word adjective- verb agreement. They learned letter tta in all shapes with examples as well.

Students practiced reading and writing in class to improve their skills.

## **QURAN (SR. SAUDA)**

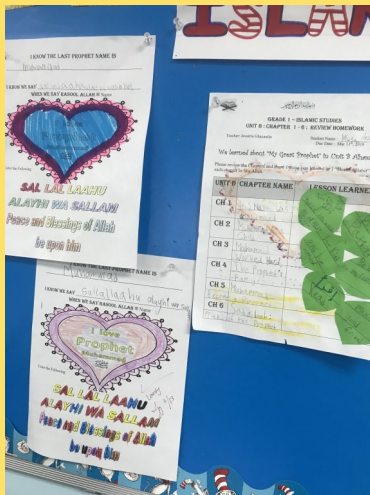
Assalamu Alaikum, Dear Respected Parents & Students,

Alhamdulillah it has been an amazing month of March! Our first graders are becoming confident readers as they cruise through Nooraniyya Lesson 11, words with sukoon! Students have been learning to read in some very fun ways, such as solving word puzzles, filling up their BINGO cards with words they can identify and sifting through words in a word search puzzle!!! Masha Allah students have grasped the concept of “miss sukoon” and have finished the first page of lesson 11! In terms of Qur’anic recitation, our first graders are approaching the end of Surah Az-Zalzalah. Students learnt a fun sentence to remember the difference between the letters thaal and zaa. They worked on an independent interactive activity to strengthen their reading skills and review some tajweed rules. I am so very proud of my first graders! Keep up the good work! Hope to see you all back well and rested after the spring break, In Sha Allah!

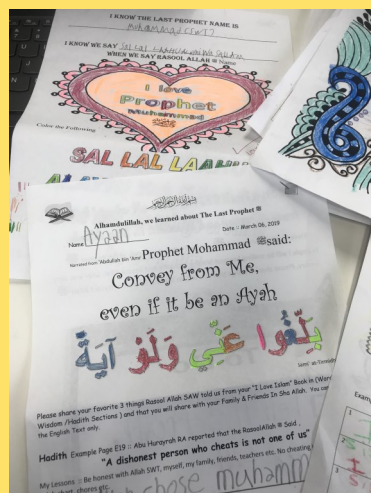
## ISLAMIC STUDIES (SR. JAVAIRIA)

Alhamdulillah Islamic Studies students had a STEAM celebration to mark the start of our last quarter and very important Unit E: "My Muslim Manners". We used manners to measure, mix the right ingredients, read the recipe, say Duood and make pancakes with chocolate toppings. We learned patience by following directions, eating manners and how we can stack the trash to be kind to the planet Earth and recycle effectively. Students brought their little friends and were excited to read along. We completed Chapter 1: Allah (SWT) Loves Kindness, Chapter 2: Ithaar and Caring and Chapter 3: I Obey My Parents. We will be working on the next chapters in this month with key focus on how to improve our manners. Please ask your child 3 ways you can show kindness and 3 reasons why is it important to listen to parents.

Students can view video of the week on their google classroom. Let us re-enforce together that **"Read to Succeed"** and **follow Quran and Sunnah to get to Jannah** In Sha Allah. Please remind students to mark their Rajab Salah Chart daily and can read the reminders at the back In Sha Allah.

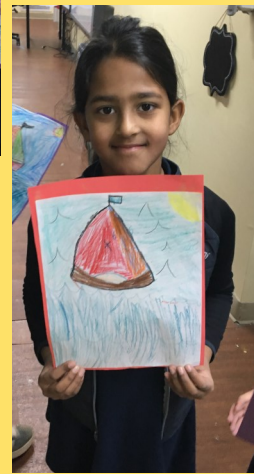
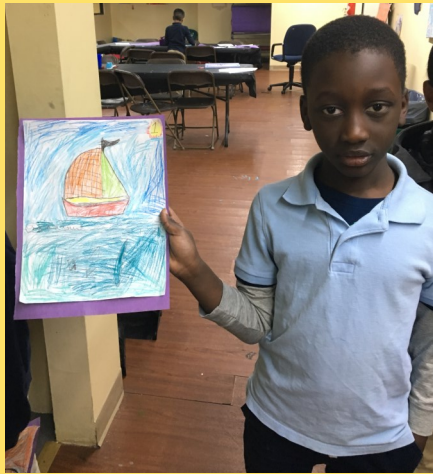


UNIT E MY MUSLIM MANNERS		
CHAPTER 1	Allah Loves Kindness	E2
CHAPTER 2	Ithaar and Caring	E10
CHAPTER 3	I Obey My Parents	E16
CHAPTER 4	I am a Muslim, I Must be Clean	E22
CHAPTER 5	A Dinner in Our Neighbor's Home	E28
CHAPTER 6	Leena and Zaid Sleep Over at Their Grandparents' House	E38





## ART (SR. HEBA)



## I.T COMPUTERS (SR. SAIMA)

Students continued working on keyboarding skills by completing short typing lessons on [typing.com](https://www.typing.com). They are able to find keys on the keyboard much quicker especially when entering logins on various websites. We have worked on several lessons on Microsoft Word. The students love to write about their favorite things and also explore the various features available. The next couple of weeks we will work on inserting pictures, changing font size, and font color. Can't believe how fast this year has gone by, just three more weeks before we start wrapping up the school year with the end of the year testing.