

# **Go Fourth and Prosper...** A 4th Grade Journal



# (November-December, 2019)

#### **Class Contests**

Best Penmanship of the Month: 1st – Zara Khan 2nd – Aliza Qureshi 3rd – Lyla Diwan

Math Whiz of the Month: 1st –Akif Ozdemir

Pizza Hut Book IT Winners of the Month : Omer Komurcu, Inaya Ali, Akif Ozdemir, Imaan Rizvi.

Hardworking Heroes of the Month: Noor Albdour, Noorie Fatima, Tahir Sherif

Best Sportman: Ahmad Nisar

Class Champion of the Month : Safa Rizvi and Daanya Qureshi

Artist of the Month ; Aysha Khan Fulton County Calendar Contest: Honorable Mention

Best Note-taker: Alizah Qureshi Hanan Graves Fuuniest Entertainer : Lowey Dean, Deena Adib Best Manners: Ibrahim Aliyu and Safa Rizvi

# **Reading/Language Arts**

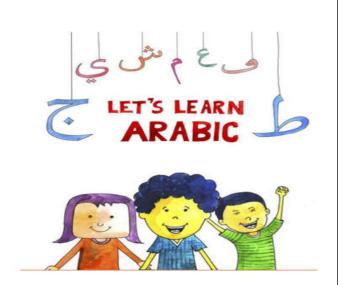
We concluded Unit 3 of our Reading curriculum. We discussed topics that relate to raising the spirit of empathy and humanity. There will be stories related to friendship, helping communities, patriotism, and how words have impacted on people's lives. As you are aware, programs to promote better reading habits are already in place in class. A reading log was added to our Weekly Homework Log to encourage reading, Raz Reading logins and passwords were shared with you and posted on the communication folder. Literature Circle group discussions are in the works Alhamdulillah.

Language Arts: We concluded Unit 3 at the end of Fall, when we studied different types of verbs and tenses in sentences like simple, compound, and complex sentences.



## Arabic

AlSalam Alaikum Dear Parents. All praise to Allah (swt) who enabled us to complete the first semester successfully. We are still in unit 3 and inshaAllah we will finish it before the winter break. In this unit the students have been learning the daily routine they do every day using many different verbs. They learned the cardinal numbers to tell time. They will learn the parts & rooms in the house with some details and some furniture items. The students know how to differentiate between feminine and masculine now. and nominal and verbal sentences. Students have learned all pronouns and how to use the verbs. They have learned new vocabs and expressions as well. Also, they have done a lot of practice on reading and writing and listening especially after using Duolingo and they've enjoyed it. Alhamdulillah they did great in the test and reap the rewards of their hard work. Sr. Jihan Hasan



# **Islamic Studies**

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In the Name of Allāh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful Alhamdulillah! we had yet another month of interesting and interactive Islamic Studies lessons! First, we spent time understanding the theme of this month "Honesty" and how we can apply it in our daily lives. As the slogan for the entire year is "DON'T JUST KNOW IT BUT SHOW IT".

We then started learning about Signs of the Last Day I and the Day of Judgement. We analyzed each topic with students through discussions and lessons that we can learn from the same and how we can implement it on our daily lives. We also finished our first Target which is Surah Fil' and started with Surah Quraysh from our Essential Duaas and Surah Book 1 wherein the students memorized the surah along with its meaning in class. Alhamdulillah! We have been having lots of fun in our interactive Islamic Studies classes using a variety of methods such as listening and repeating, written activities, group activities and watching related videos to enhance our Islamic Studies class experience and to learn lifelong lessons in sha Allah! Sr. Misbah

#### Art

Assalam Alaikum dear parents. This month our students have enjoyed the fall weather while incorporating colors they associated with the season in their artwork. Along with this, this month's work was aimed at the STEAM project. Students first externally cleaned the bus, wiping the dust off. After that students covered the windows of the bus and laid masking tape on the areas of the bus that needed to be covered. Essentially, we gave the bus a base color. During the time that the bus's paint would dry, students were working on sketches showing environmental sustainability. These sketches laid the foundation for what they were planning to draw on the bus.

# Qur'an

The past month the fourth Grade Students completed Suratul-Mursalat and we celebrated this completion and had a party. They are still practicing Suratul-Insan they are working hard on this Surah tabaraka Allah. They're doing activities and playing games to learn this Surah. They are currently on Ayah 25. Alhamdullah.

# P.E.

In P.E. we will start a new activity known as the pacer test. Students will run laps; each lap will be timed. Students will not be assessed on the number of laps they run, but they will be tested on the effort they display.

# **Social Studies**

Diving into Chapter 4 of our Social Studies textbook, we mentally traveled into the late 1700s and explored the circumstances and causes that lead to the American Revolution. Through interesting videos and role-play in the classroom, we were able to recreate the time and conditions of people who lived back then. It was interesting to understand how the British government was able to keep its hold tight around its colonies, how the colonists were exploited, and what were the circumstances that lead to the Revolutionary war. In the next lesson we will be learning about the events during the Revolutionary War and the political establishment of our country. Find an interesting way to learn the history of our country :

https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=liberty+kids+episode+1

#### Science

During the entire month of December, we focused on studying different aspects of Properties of Matter. We worked on identifying, measuring, and classifying matter. We talked about how matter can change and how to differentiate between mixtures and compound. In the next Unit, we will work on learning new facts on the phenomenon of motion, speed and acceleration. We will try and build simple machines too!!!!

Words of Wisdom: Idle Person: A Sign of Allah's Dislike.

A scholar once stated, "One of the many signs that one is disliked by Allah is the wasting of his or her time." Allah allows a person who is neglectful of His message to be involved in activities that are worthless.

# **STEAM**

For our STEAM Elementary team project, we are currently working on a project that is more of a 'surprise' to our parents mid-December. We are exploring elements of measurement which include area of an uneven surface. We will be also practicing double digit multiplication while exploring the various dimensions of our project.

## WRITING

We are working on writing memoirs using rubrics equipped with a Writing Lap-Book for guidance through the various stages of the process of Writing. We will work on writing informational reports with an interesting 'Cereal Box' Project in January 2020- can't wait !!!!

## Math

Chapter 6 was concluded at the end of December, Alhamdulillah! We are on track with our Math curriculum. In targeting some of the goals in the current Chapter 7, we are practicing creating patterns with sequences and terms that can be determined and predicted using logical awareness and working knowledge of standard operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our next set of goals which is to master problem solving investigations using these operations to problem solve in relation to our current STEAM project.

### Check out all these interesting pictures of Fourth grade 'STEAMING' here:

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