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SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

ELA/Reading – Sr. Fatima

Last month and this month our essential question is, "How are we changed by war? In our historical fiction novel study, *Grenade*, we are covering theme; character/setting analysis, and conflict. In addition, students wrote an argumentative paper on a topic of their choice. Students will be writing an overall analysis on *Grenade*.

SOCIAL STUDIES - Sr. Shaima

Seventh grade is now travelling through Southwest Asia. Students learned that citizen participation is limited in an autocratic government as compared to democratic. They analyzed Saudi Arabia as an autocratic government with an absolute monarchy, and later held a heated debate on democracy vs monarchy. Students also discussed the diversity of religions within the Southwest Asian ethnic groups.

MATH – Sr. Anam

We have already started working in our Volume 2 book and have already taken the test on Algebraic Expressions and Equations. Our next unit will be in-depth exploration with equations where students will work with oneand two-step equations and inequalities. Students have also been very busy working on the prototype for the garden bed that will be presented for the Art Exhibit (sometimes our math classroom looked like an art class). Enjoy your winter break but don't forget to practice some math.



SCIENCE – Sr. Rania

For November and December 7th graders finished learning about body systems. They made a pamphlet as a writing task to convey their understanding of the excretory system, focusing on kidney diseases and the role of engineering in dialysis machines. Currently, they are working on variation and traits, starting with exploration of the traits of beans and then designing an experiment to find out the impact of environmental factors on traits. They will carry out an experiment and observe the beans for seven days by exposing them to a specific environmental factor. Their ultimate goal for this unit would be to make a children's book that would teach the reader about heredity and the interaction between the traits and the environment.

QUR'AN – Sr. Asma

Assalamu Aliykom

The 7th grade students completed Suratul-Talaq. They worked on meanings, keywords, reading, and memorization. They will then have a writing and memorization test for this Surah and we will celebrate by having a party. We have also started Suratul-Haqqah where we will cover meanings, keywords, reading and memorization. We still continue practicing tajweed rules (Hamzatul-Wasl). Students are also practicing by working on reinforcement activities, worksheets and projects to help them retain the tajweed rules.

ISLAMIC STUDIES – Sr. Misbah & Br. Ahmad

ARABIC – Sr. Jihan

AlSalam Alaikum Dear Parents,

All praise to Allah (swt) who enabled us to complete the second semester successfully. Alhamdulillah, we finished unit two (the transportation). The students have learned the different types of transportation in Arabic. They have also learned new vocabs and expressions. Alhamdulillah, students have improved tremendously. Alhamdolillah students are now able to write and read a paragraph in Arabic. They are able to read a text from a book and explain the main idea. They know the present tense with all pronouns, and the negation, they can figure the verb, subject and object. They can also make plurals and dual and are also able to rearrange simple sentences and use conjunction tools for grammar. Alhamdulillah all the students have improved and showed interest in learning Arabic. They love the reinforcements I use. We use Kahoot and to practice reading, listening, and writing we use Duolingo. They did an amazing job on their unit test.

ART – Sr. Heba

Congratulations to all the winners of the Fulton County Art Calendar Competition





In the Name of Allāh, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

Alhamdulillah! we had almost two months of interesting and interactive Islamic Studies lessons! First, we spent time understanding the theme of this month "Patience" 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 began learning about the qiblah, rulings of salah: doubts, masbuq and lahiq, salah in exceptional circumstances and salatul jumuah. We also completed learning Adhan, reply to the adhan, iqamah, reply to iqamah from Essential Duaas and Surahs Book 2 wherein students memorized the dua'a along with its meaning, and their virtue. Alhamdulillah. Students also did a presentation summarizing the entire salah along with its rulings. Alhamdulillah

We have been having lots of fun in our interactive Islamic Studies classes using a variety of methods such as listening and repeating, oral games, written activities, group activities and power point presentations to enhance our Islamic Studies class experience and to learn lifelong lessons! Alhamdulillah