

2nd Grade News

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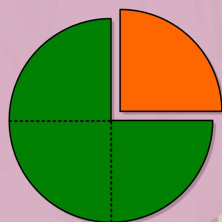
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Winter break was a great way to gather up energy and motivation for 3rd quarter. Students are energized for learning! I'm glad to have them back and look forward to our upcoming months of learning fun!

Math

We wrapped up our chapters on geometry and fractions this month. Playing fraction bowling was so much fun and helped with the concrete understanding of the numerator and denominator concepts.



Culture Day

February 15, 2020



Open House

February 8, 2020

11am to 2pm

Teacher Workday—Students off

February 14, 2020

Bus Repurposing Fundraising Bake Sale

February 24, 2020

Manchies and More Store!

February 17, 2020



Legoland Field Trip

February 25, 2020



Arabic

Alhamdulillah we have had three amazing weeks after winter break with interesting interactive in a new Arabic topic. The students have learned in unit 6 to say where they live, parts of the house or apartment, and they can describe their house or apartment, the appliances, utensils, and furniture inside the house. They have learned the basic Arabic grammar and how to use the verbs with first person (I, we) and the third person (he & she). They can say simple sentences and read short paragraphs in their text book as well.

Sister Jihan Hasan

Quran

Assalamualaikum,

Dear, respected parents & students

I pray you all had a wonderful winter break and are ready to persevere once again! Second graders have been eagerly working away this past month! Alhamdulillah upon returning from the break most of our students did very well on their surah Ash-Shams test. We have begun our study of surah Al-Lail, and have been practicing reading surah Ash-Sharh alongside. Speaking of reading, I am so very proud of my second graders, who have improved on their spelling and reading skills tremendously! Our on level students are cruising along nooranniah lesson 15! In surah Al-Lail students appreciated the creations of Allah SWT, while learning antonyms in Arabic and translating them into English. Furthermore, students understood that there is one ultimate goal that we all have. However, the way we accomplish that goal differs from person to person. Students took this idea and applied it to setting goals for themselves to work towards in Qur'an class in their quarterly self evaluations. That's not all, students have been incorporating their Math skills to complete a daily log of actions. They used the teachings of the Qur'an to evaluate their actions, and assigned a monetary amount for each good deed. Students used this interdisciplinary activity to reflect on their actions and think of ways to use their time more productively in order to achieve their ultimate goal. All in all, students were able to use their knowledge from surah Al-Lail and apply it to the STEAM concept of rethinking and repurposing.

Sister Sauda

ELA/Reading

We are writing a lot this quarter! The second graders have been writing reflections and taking notes in class. I'm preparing them for writing essays in 3rd grade! MashaAllah they are developing as writers and you can clearly see their personalities reflect in their writings! We wrote more poems too!

In Grammar we reviewed verbs and their tenses. We learned about helping and linking verbs too. Phonics was all about the bossy r! Ask your second grader about what's the story behind Mr. Growling R not being able to make any friends!



We finally unlocked two locks on the syllable box, alhumdulilah! Get more details from your second grader on the struggle we had!

Science

What's the matter? It's all about matter in Science! We have been discussing properties of matter and our main focus was on solids this month. In our interdisciplinary project, the students grouped up to write a story and make puppets (using solids). Then they performed a

puppet show for their peers! Their creativity just blows me away!



Social Studies

We explored the 5 regions of Georgia. The students took a virtual field to each region and practiced taking notes for their group project. They had to work as a group to make a book report on the 5 regions and make a textured map of GA's 5 regions. Their creativity was amazing mashaAllah!



Islamic Studies

Alhamdulillah Grade 2 Islamic Studies students worked to identify needs in the community and working on designing and planning phase in Unit 1 and 2 this semester. We understood as productive community members we can take actions to fulfill identified needs In Sha Allah. Learners enjoyed watching "I can do a good deed" peer ideas and doing activities on Manners and Friends (48) and Prophet Nuh AS (56) (IS Book page numbers written next to them for easy reference). Please ask your child how they can be a great friend, how to choose great friends and who is our real enemy? Do not forget to give them a High 5 for sharing 5 good deeds they can do on a daily basis.

Our theme for the month is Compassion and we practiced ways we show kindness and empathy. Ask your child right way of being in a line and why should we smile :) more often. Please note

We meet on :: Mon, Tue and Fridays (Students can post a letter to IS Mailbox anytime :))

Homework :: Assigned on Tuesday. Due on next Monday. HW Details on Alma with video links/games too and in Homeroom note.

Quiz/Test day :: Tuesday (written/ oral/ game or competition :))

Grades:: Gradebook Updated on Alma

Salah Chart :: Please Fill every day. Redeem end of month for reward. Salah Champion prize end of year

Book Reading :: Read "Islamic Studies Book" chapter of the week 5 min every day. Can record in ELA log too as book read :)

*IS Materials sent home Tuesdays. Bring them back only on Monday In Sha Allah.

We are enjoying our STEAM Show and Shares on Fridays. Please continue to share how your child is sharing the learning at home and applying it and we would love to recognize the same in our Student Spotlight In Sha Allah and do not forget.. R E A D Read to Succeed :). May Allah SWT increase us all in beneficial ILM, and Amal Ameen.

Sister Javairia