

# 5th Grade Gazette

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



## [SCIENCE]

In Science, we started our new Earth Science unit on the Constructive and Destructive Forces of Earth. We explored the different layers of the Earth through a webquest and learned what results when different types of tectonic plate boundaries interact. Through the use of interactive videos and online simulations, we learned about the processes of weathering, erosion, and deposition. We explored our playground and hunted for signs of weathering in our own backyard. -Sr. Amana

## [ISLAMIC STUDIES]

Alhamdulillah! We had another month of interesting and interactive Islamic Studies lessons after a nice and relaxing Winter Break! First, we spent time understanding the theme of this month "Compassion" and how we can apply it in our daily lives. We then started with reviewing times of salah, forbidden and disliked prayer times and studied about Jalut and Prophet Dawud (as). We also completed learning the Duaa when boarding and leaving a vehicle, relief from distress, anxiety and grief and to increase one's knowledge. Alhamdulillah

We also had two major events this month, our Islamic Studies Quiz Bowl wherein the students participated in teams and answered challenging questions on Basics of Islam, Salah, Fasting and Prophets. We also had Reading Day wherein our students enacted the story of Dawud (as) and Jalut coming up with a wonderful performance that goes with our theme "Compassion" mashaAllah! -Sr. Misbah/Br. Ahmad

## [ART]

Assalaamu Alaikum parents. Fifth grade students were practicing last month in preparation for ILM's Reading Day. During art class, our goal was to focus on acquiring the ability to enter into another character, engage with an audience, and memorize lines. We also focused on the understanding of dramatic techniques, having confidence, and portraying energy and dedication to perform. -Sr. Heba

## [ARABIC]

All praise to Allah (swt).

Alhamdulillah, we have had three amazing weeks after winter break with a new, interesting and interactive Arabic topic - cooperation & helping. In this unit, students have learned new vocabulary and will learn the real meaning of cooperation and helping.

Students will learn that society cannot survive without cooperation. They will know of the many advantages they will have if they work cooperatively with other students, compete for fun and enjoyment, and work autonomously on their own. Within a cooperative situation, individuals seek outcomes that are beneficial to themselves and beneficial to other group members.

They have read and discussed a short story in their textbook and have written sentences about the story. Insha'Allah they will learn the past tense, the future, imperative, and negation.

Alhamdulillah all students have improved and showed interest in learning Arabic. They enjoy learning through the learning games Kahoot and practice listening, reading and writing on Duolingo.

-Sr. Jihan

## [MATH]

We resumed our Decimal Division after the break and were able to finish the unit by the second week. Currently, we are working on Coordinate Planes and Basics of Fractions so the students can apply that knowledge in Science when working on their Picture Book. We will also dive deeper into our unit of Operations with Fractions.

-Sr. Anam

## [SOCIAL STUDIES]

This month our class learned about the origin and meaning of the term "Iron Curtain." Students studied how the United States sought to stop the spread of communism through the Berlin airlift, the Korean War, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. We also discussed the importance of the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Vietnam War.

-Sr. Shaima

## [ELA]

Last month, we reinforced the concepts of nature and how it affects us daily. In addition, students wrote an informative paper about a type of bird. This month, we will be writing and analyzing compare and contrast papers. Students will also be creating a 3D model of the topic they are comparing/contrasting.

-Sr. Fatimah

## [QURAN]



Alhamdulillah, the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students memorized Suratul - Ma'arij and took the written test. At the completion of this unit, we had a celebration which the students really enjoyed mashAllah. We are continuing our learning of Suratul - Haqqah are currently in ayah 34. We are still practicing tajweed rules (Noon Sakinah and Tanween ) as well. Students are also working on activities, worksheets and projects for these rules.

-Sr. Asma

