

# Montessori Elementary THIRD QUARTER NEWSLETTER



## Elementary Montessori

### Third Quarter

In the third quarter, Elementary Montessori students were assigned with Freckle to enhance the fundamental lessons along with practicing the previously learned lessons. The overview of the lessons are as follows:

## MATH

### First-&-Second-year students

Students were introduced with geometry lessons which includes description of different types of lines, angles. They practiced the concepts of place value from ones to hundred thousand, data assessment, time, and fractions.

## MATH

### Third-year-students

Third graders were introduced with geometric calculations and coordinate planes, areas' measurements; standard algorithms, order of operations with parenthesis, short and long division, solving algebraic equations.

## STEAM: SECOND SEMESTER

This semester, students achieved in-depth learning about their findings from first semester STEAM project. They learned the biological and environmental effects of Styrofoam. The students will keep working to find a solution to repurpose Styrofoam in an environmentally friendly way.

# Social Sciences & Geography

This quarter, students were introduced with various topics related to physical science. They learned about Cosmos and its nature, matter, parts of atom, physical and chemical changes, layers of atmosphere, layers of oceans, water cycle in depth, lunar phases, and advanced landforms. Students are still grasping the lessons as the in-depth studies take more than a semester to cover all the items. They also learned about the stone age, history of immigration in the United States until the Boston Tea Party event; we also learned the famous personalities involving the major events of the history.

## English Language Arts

### FIRST- & SECOND-YEAR STUDENTS

First and second year students were introduced with the 150 advanced vocabulary words with definitions. They learned to use those words in different aspects of language. Along with enhancing their vocabulary, they have been practicing grammar boxes, reading comprehension, and writing analysis. They were also assigned with fantasy and reality reading and differences in these genres of writing. They were also taught how to find facts in the reading passage. Students learned root words with prefix and suffix.

## FIELD TRIP TO IFLY

This quarter, students took the STEAM based field trip to IFLY. They learned about gravity and the force of DRAG and when and how they can feel it. They also learned about the relationship of wind and water in creating rain drops and the dispersed effects of rain during the rainfall.

## English Language Arts

### THIRD YEAR STUDENTS

Third grade level students continue to work on improving their writing skills. Students focused on various writing styles this quarter. They are introduced with sentence analysis with persuasive writing techniques. They learned to write various kinds of letters with the purpose of persuading the reader. They learned the stages of writing process such as drafting, editing, proofreading. They practiced writing letters to their parents using these techniques. They were also introduced with metaphors, similes, punctuation rules, individual writing prompts. They have been assigned to freckles activities to practice these concepts daily. They also practiced advanced suffix and prefix and their contextual usage in a sentence.

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## QURAN

Sr. Rima

THE PREVIOUS WEEKS - OUR CLASS AL-HAMDULILLAH:

LEVEL 1: LEARNED SURAT AL-HUMAZAH & AL-ASR.

LEVEL 2: LEARNED SURAT AL-ALAQ.

LEVEL 3: LEARNED SURAT AL-BUROUJ & STARTED SURAT AL-INSHIQAQ.

2- NORANIYYAH:

LEVEL 1: PRACTICED LESSON # 7 AND # 8 FOCUSING ON PROPER PRONOUNCIATION.

LEVEL 2: LEARNED LESSON # 12 (SHADDAH) AND STARTED READING THE PRACTICE LESSONS OF SHADDAH WHICH IS THE LAST LESSON IN THE NORANIYYAH MA SHA ALLAH.

LEVEL 3: FINISHED READING SURAT AL-BUROUJ WITH PROPER TAJWEED & MEMORIZATION, ALSO STARTED LEARNING & MEMORIZING SURAT AL-INSHIQAQ.

## ISLAMIC STUDIES:

LEVEL 1: LEARNED ABOUT THE FIVE DAILY SALAH, HOW TO PERFORM SALAH & WUDU, SOME PROPHET'S STORY, & STARTED THE SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD SAW.

LEVEL 2: LEARNED ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF SALAH, STARTED THE SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD FROM THE TIME OF BUILDING THE KA'BAH BY PROPHET IBRAHIM AS.

LEVEL 3: REVIEWED THE IMPORTANCE & STEPS OF SALAH, BREAKERS OF SALAH, MANNERS OF THE MASJID, THE STORY OF THE CAVE COMPANIONS & THE STORY OF THE BOY & THE KING & STARTED TO LEARN ABOUT THE SEERAH OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD SAW.

## ARABIC

Sr. Raja

Third quarter has started with great energy and fun Mashallah.... A lot of learning and fun are going on in our classroom...

Level 2:

We have finished:

Unit 9 (At taa'am/ The Food) where student learned about food and drinks in Arabic. Students learned how to tell about their meals in a day using the question word Kam (How many?). What do they like and what they don't from food and drinks kinds? They did workbook activities related as well. A lot of new vocabulary words were learned in this unit, in addition to Some opposites. They practice reading, writing, and interacting in Arabic every class period too. They

learned letters Tha, and faa in all shapes. Unit 10 (Al Waqt/ Time) where students learned how to tell about their own morning and evening activities in Arabic Mashallah. They learn the timing in Arabic by using the clock. They really improved the writing skill (They are capable to make words from given random letters) Students learned how to match adjectives to the right nouns.

Unit 11(Fusulun Asanah/ Seasons of the year). In this unit students about the four seasons, the weather, and the clothes that they should wear in each season. They did workbook activities related as well. They practice reading, writing, and interacting in Arabic every class period too.

Level1:

We have finished:

Unit 6 (I Wash My Face) where they learned vocabulary words related to cleanliness and using cleaning items. They are covering the two letters (Hamza, and the two kinds of taa) sounds & shapes with examples from vocabulary words. Students learned present tense verbs with the pronoun I (I wash, I clean, I wipe, and I shower.) They are acting these activities in class and playing the guessing game as well. They are learning words about their face parts and related

them to the five senses (I hear, I smell, I speak, I touch, I see). 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. They learned how letter waw can mean "and". 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.

Unit 9 (Ashitae) and unit 10(Al-Khareef wa Arrabee) We try to cover in one unit that cover the four seasons. They know how to discuss the weather for different seasons they master (Hadha and hadhihi/ what). Students practiced reading and writing in class to improve their skills to be able to connect letters to make words. They learned the simple sentence structure (reading and writing) as well.