



1st Grade Monthly Newsletter

OH THE PLACES WE'VE BEEN SO FAR!

READING

Literature:

First graders were introduced to nonfiction to build their literature skills.

Comprehension:

Students have been learning to identify the main topic and provide information using illustration. They are learning to identify key details as well as the ability to retell the text.

Vocabulary:

Students were introduced to new vocabulary words, as well as high frequency words. The spelling words were practiced in class in various ways. Ask your child what they would like their occupation to be when they grow older! (Occupation is one of their oral vocabulary words).

Phonics:

Students have been reviewing the phonic sounds they have learned. In the next few weeks, they will be introduced to short /u/ and ending consonant blends such as /nd/, /nk/, /nt/, /st/, /sk/, /mp/.

Writing:

Students have completed the final draft about their summer adventures. Students will be introduced to persuasive writing by writing about why they should have an ice cream party. They will begin by brainstorming ideas and creating a grocery list. We will then do a class vote and see what flavors are the most favorite. Students will complete their persuasive writing prompt by attempting to convince the teacher into having a classroom ice cream party!

LANGUAGE ARTS

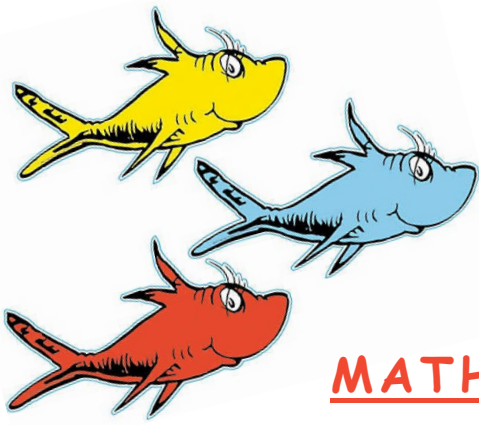
First graders learned all about nouns in the past few weeks. They learned about how to find a noun in a sentence and were eager to make their own sentences with different nouns.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Reading	1
Language Arts	1
Mathematics	2
Science	2
Social Studies	2
Arabic	3
Quran	3
Islamic Studies	4
Art & P.E.	4
Computers	4

IMPORTANT DAILY REMINDERS:

- Please make sure your child brings their folder **EVERY DAY** to school.
- Please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day.
- Please pack a healthy lunch and snack for our learners.
- Don't forget to read every day for at least 20 minutes.



MATHEMATICS

Our first graders learned about the place value of numbers up to 100. They are also learning to recognize odd and even numbers and skip count by 5's and 2's. Students have been introduced to addition sentences and will continue to solve problems by writing number sentences.

SCIENCE

Students have been introduced to different types of animals such as reptiles, amphibians, mammals, fish, birds, and insects. They have learned that animals have certain body parts that help them meet their needs. They will further continue to learn about how some animals are herbivores and some are carnivores. We will also discuss the life cycle of animal groups and how they help each other live in their habitats.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Our first graders learned about rights and responsibilities. We discussed the certain rights that we all have and the certain responsibilities that we must try our best to do. Students were introduced to a map and a globe in which they had to find their state, country, and continent. We will continue to learn about the land and resources of different regions.





ARABIC

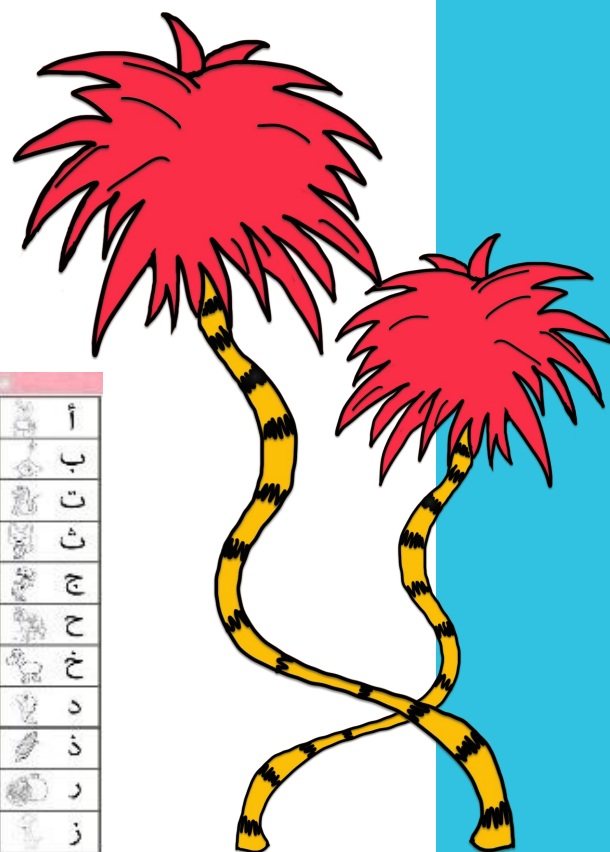
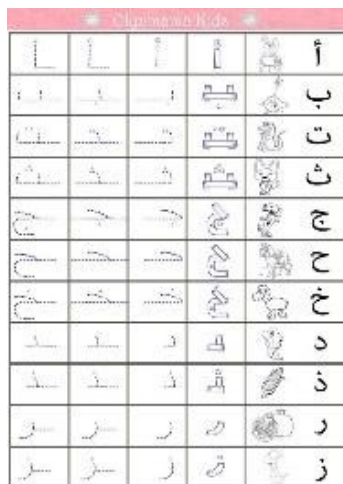
1st graders are pacing the time in learning the Arabic letters Mashallah, they have learned letters Baa, laam, Raa sounds and shapes with examples. Ask your child about the selfish letters and how they represent the letters themselves. They started learning to tell about their family members and the Arabic wording as well in unit 2 (Hathihi Usrati/ This is my family)..

Students started working on their project (Family poster). 1st graders are practicing reading and writing skills in class all the time as well.

JAZ

QURAN

Alhamdulillah we have had yet another wonderful month in Qur'an clas! As promised we have used colorful power point presentations to analyze the suwar being studied, and to help our students acquire the skills to read selected words from each suwar. Ma Sha Allah we can already see the improvement in our students' ability to read and to recite by applying correct tajweed rules. To date we have successfully reviewed Surah Al-Humaza to Surah An-Naas including recognition of words, and understanding of the suwar. In Nooraniya class we have been having so much learning about the characteristics of different letters, such as our golden heavy letters that were introduced from a special "heavy jar"! We made smileys to remember our fatha, kesra, and dhomma lessons :)! In addition we recently learnt about the "missing sukoon" that hides in a special red pouch! Ask your first graders to tell you all about the fun learning games in Qur'an class! Alhamdulillah with your continuous support and encouragement we have reviewed 7 of our Nooraniyah lessons successfully with an understanding of all the rules applied in each lesson. Please keep up the good work of making sure your child does his/her homework on a regular basis. Although I can't monitor homework, I certainly can gage which of my students have been keeping up with their homework and are hence ready for class, and perform better in class assessments! Thank you for working together to help build a solid foundation for our children!



ISLAMIC STUDIES

AOA WRB

Welcome to Islamic Studies @ ILM. We mastered the procedures to be great learners and Ambassadors of Islam. We got to know each other, learned Tawuz, Tasmia and Dua for ILM and completed Unit D. Ask your child how big is the Muslim Ummah Family and what does Akh, Ukht and Ummah mean. Please ask them what are the 3 most Holiest places on earth and where would they like to go to and why. Please note

We meet on :: Mon, Tue and Wed

Homework :: Assigned on Mon. Due on next Monday. HW Details on Renweb with video links/games too.

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

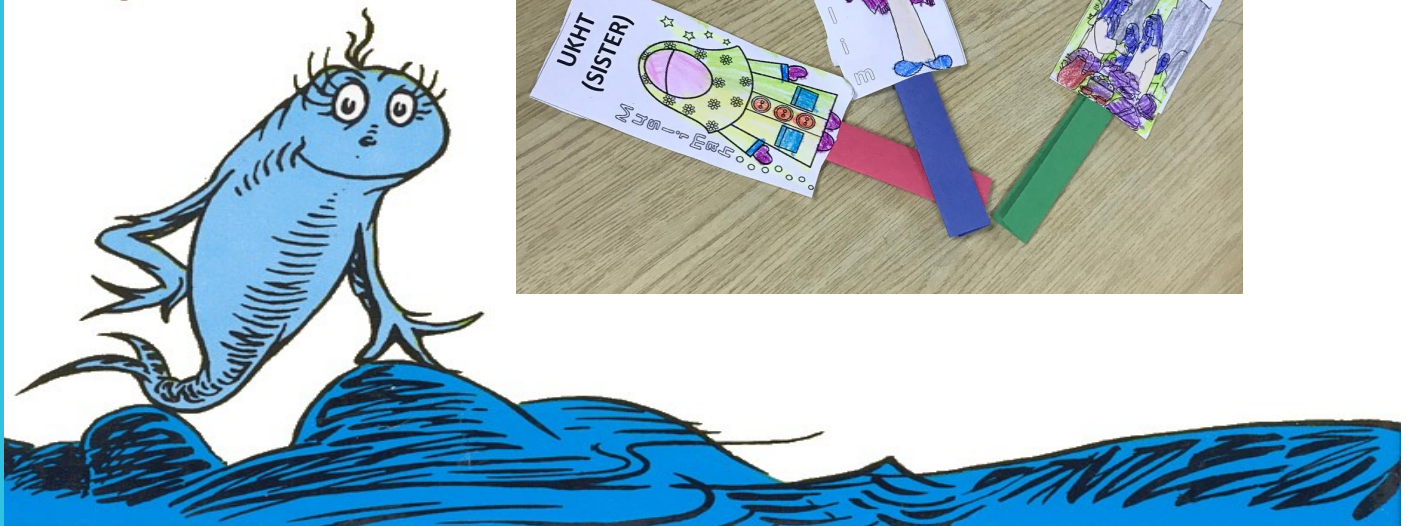
Grades:: Gradebook Updated on Renweb

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

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

*IS Materials sent home Wednesdays to do homework, Bring them back only on Monday In Sha Allah.

We made our journey planner and started Unit A Alhamdulillah. . May Allah SWT increase us all in beneficial ILM. and Amal Ameen. Jazak Allah Khairan Katheeran

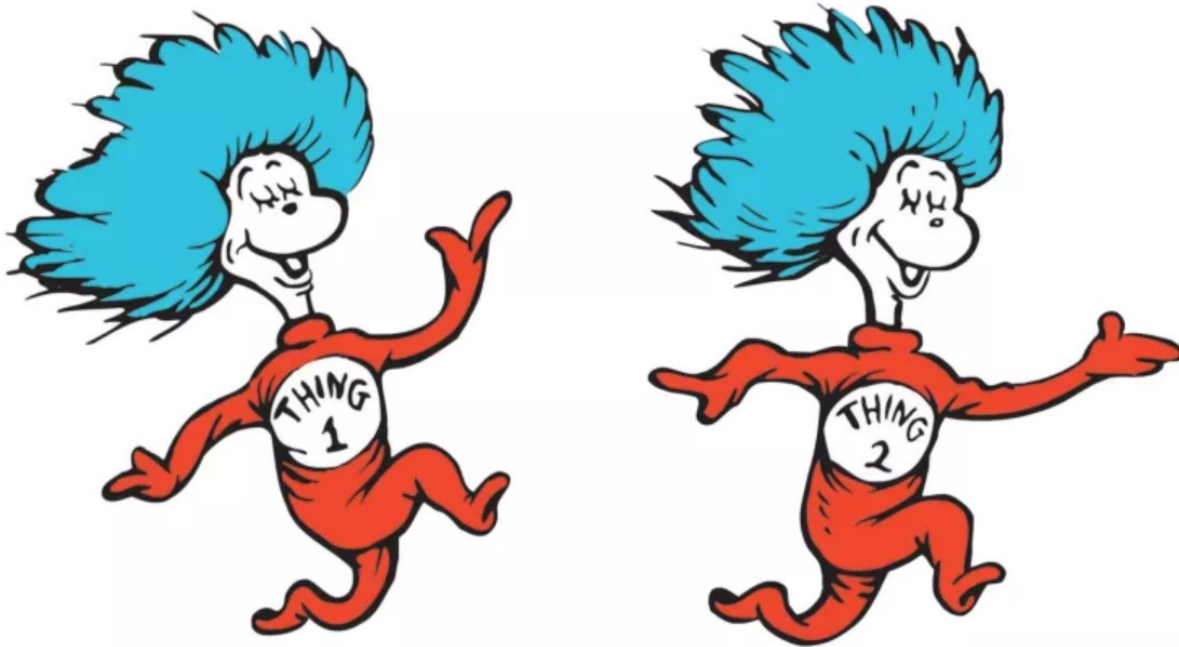


ART & PE

ASA dear parents, I pray this message reaches you in great health and iman. I would like to update you about Art class. The students are learning great artistic techniques, problem solving skills, and are portraying immense creativity. Along with these activities they are participating in the school event, STEAM. They also began to work on their fall projects.

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 amount of laps they run, but they will be tested on the effort they display.

JAK



COMPUTER

Assallam Walaikum,

We had a busy month. Students started on keyboarding skills by working on typing lessons using proper hand placement and posture. They were introduced to Microsoft Word which they used to practice typing. We will start using the various features of Microsoft Word to write a letter. Students will also start working on the first "unplugged" coding lesson.



