

Fourth Grade - Soaring to Success

September 15, 2017

New School Year



It is hard to believe that the second week of the new school year has already passed! We have had a great two weeks in 4th grade! Students are getting used to the changes and the routines and have been producing some good work. If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to contact me at school. The phone number is 332-3700. You can also email me at elsadek@school.lansingislam.com. I am truly looking forward to working with all of you and your children this year. (Sr. Karen)

Mathematics

Our first chapter in math is about place value and rounding. The fourth graders are doing well with the concepts and are making nice progress.

It is very important that 4th graders know their multiplication facts. Many of the new skills in 4th grade need students to have control over multiplication facts. If they don't know them, they will find it a struggle to move on to more advanced Math skills.

Please encourage your child to practice multiplication facts! ☺



Arabic

After going over the class rules, establishing the daily routine and evaluating the students, I ended up with two Arabic levels in 4th grade. I have high expectations for each level and I will do all that I can to help them achieve those expectations inshaAllah.

Book 1: the students learned the shapes and sounds of the Arabic Alphabets and how each letter looks at the beginning, middle and the end of the words. We started lesson 1 "my name" last week. We read the lesson and identified the meanings of the new vocabulary words.

Book 4: Before we start book 4, I would like to finish lesson 13 and 14 from book 3. We read lesson 13 "what do we learn from the animals?" We read the lesson, identified the meaning of the new vocabularies, formed new sentences and answered the questions of the lesson.

I'm really happy to work with your kids this year, The 4th graders are wonderful, they are all participating in class, being cooperative and ready to learn.

Please contact me for any question or concern at mahmoud@school.lansingislam.com

Have a wonderful weekend :)

Sr.Sawsan

Islamic Studies

Asalamu 'alaikum and welcome back to a new year at the GLIS.

During the past couple of weeks we have been busy discussing Hajj rituals and the stories behind them. We learned the meaning of Ihram, and the symbolization of sa'y and throwing the stone at the shaytan.

In addition this week we have been reviewing the proper way to perform wudu, and the steps of Salah correctly. The students can write requirements for all of the following. However many of the students rush through these actions and make a lot of mistakes when they have to demonstrate. I would greatly appreciate it if you can take the time to review how to perform wudu and Salah. Please make sure they go through each action step by step and do not rush through each action.

Please if you have any Questions or concerns, you feel free to contact me at:

Warda@school.lansingislam.com

Language Arts

To start the year, students have done a few writing assignments to show their writing skills. They have also started working on phonics and cursive handwriting. In reading, they have read about hot air balloons and are now reading about cooperation. The first unit discusses fiction and nonfiction similarities and differences.

Science

Fourth grade students have started off the year by studying different forms of energy. We are now in the midst of studying sound energy before moving on to examine light energy and heat. Students should, by now, have a notebook. If you ask them to show you the notebook, you will have an idea of what they studied that day.

Social Studies

In Social Studies, fourth graders started the year learning about maps and globes. The first test was a success for most of the class. 😊 The focus of this school year will be learning about the regions of the country as well learning a little about how the United States government works. While doing this, we will also discuss how things relate to Michigan.

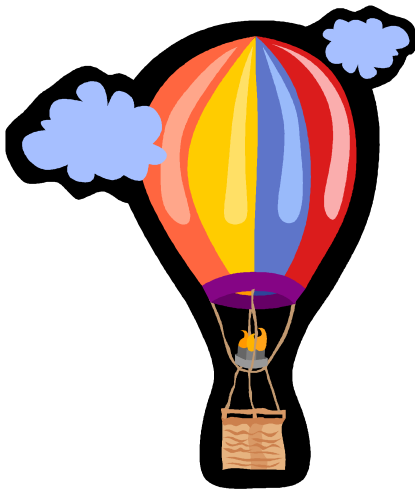
Quran

First I would like to welcome all the students to the new school year and wish each one of them the best of luck.

We practiced **Surah Al qiyamah** verses 1-15 (Memorizing with Tajweed). Please practice this Surah with your Son/daughter from the Mushaf and using this site www.houseofquran.com and make sure that she/he will be ready for the **weekly quiz every Wednesday**.

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at alqadi@lansingislam.com

Regards,
Feryal Alqadi



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