



Call to the Light



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Important dates

2nd May – Maths Homework Club commences4th May - Walk Safely to School Day

Hadith of the week

Virtues of Quran

Compiled by: Hafiz Ahmed Abdella



"Verily he who has nothing of the Qur'an in his heart, is like a house (which has been) destroyed."

[At-Tirmidhi]

Principal's Message

Dear Parents

Assalam-O-Alaikum

First of all I would like to thank all the parents for your continued support. I would like to request the parents to take extra care while sending the children to the school. Please make sure that children don't travel on their own coming to or going home from the school. Preferably they should be accompanied by an adult otherwise they should be advised to travel in groups. We need to be very vigilant about the safety of our children.

Zulfiquar Ali



Visitors' policy

Darul Ulum is pleased to provide an open and friendly learning environment which values all visitors to our school. At the same time, we recognise our duty of care to ensure a safe and sound environment for our students and staff- an environment that is educationally beneficial for all.

Visitors are all people **other than**

- current staff members,
- students and
- parents/guardians involved in the task of delivering or collecting children at the start or end of the school day.

Visitors **include:**

- all past staff,
- staff on maternity leave and
- relatives and friends of current staff
- All other members of the general public

Visitors are **required** to

1. Report to the Office
2. Sign in the Visitors' Book
3. Wear a Visitors' Badge at all times within the premises
4. Sign out

Administration



Bronze and Silver Awards - Cycle II (Boys)

Alhamdulillah! The second round of awards was recently given to deserving students who had excelled in terms of their overall behaviour. A total of 54 students were recognized. It was pleasing to see that 22 new students made their way into the awards this time around. Bronze Awards were given to those students whose behaviour remained exemplary over a month and the Silver Awards were given to students who remained at excellent behaviour level of the School Discipline Policy for a whole term. It is really pleasing to note that the general climate of learning has changed drastically and students' discipline has improved remarkably under this Awards System.

BRONZE AWARDS



Year 9B	Ali Ali , AbdiWahab Mohammed, Mohammed Edrees
Year 8B	Wafeeq Nahas, Badr Taleb, Jihad Mohtadi
Year 7B	Ali Bulut, Taha Qalinle
Year 6B	Yahya Chebib, Haluk Erciyas, Abdullah Duzgun, Omar Achi, Abubakr Azman, Afnan Mia, Hamza Houssein, Hamza Dhedhy, Mohammed Yuksel
Year 5B	NONE
Year 4B	Said Abdelhay, Ismail Duzgun, AbdurRahman Hassan, Muhammad Wilson, Ridwan

SILVER AWARDS



Year 9B	Adam Azman, Farhan Shah
Year 8B	Hayrullah Konak, Enes Kilic, Celal Isitan, Ishraq Samsudeen
Year 7B	Tareq Ayas, Ahmed Gokler, Mohammed Helal, Asim Malik, Mohammednur Noordin, Taleb Mohammed
Year 6B	Osman Ali, Ekrem Kilic, Nayef Mustapha, Bilal Haddad, Younis Yehia, Moubarak Moubarak
Year 5B	Ali Taleb, Sufyan Skenderovic, Sayf Mohtadi, Mohammed Usama, Khizar Iftikhar, Youssef Elcheikh, Mahmood Ayas, Ramazan Ozellas
Year 4B	Mustapha Azman, Kamil Beirouti, Yaseen Dala, Abdur Rahman Gelle, Ali Ali, Tarek Ismail, Abdullah Demir

A parent's role in Islamic Tarbiyah

Maulana Faizal Riza
Islamic Tarbiyah Department

The word 'tarbiyah' implies Islamic upbringing of children. In our college we strive to make our students not only properly equipped with the correct teachings of Islam, but also to make them practising Muslims. To give tarbiyah to children is a command of Allah. The Almighty has stated in the Holy Quran, "O you who believe! Save yourselves and your families from a fire whose fuel is men and stones; over it are angels stern and strong, they do not disobey Allah in what He commands them, and do as they are commanded." (Quran 66:6)

To make children practising Muslims i.e. to give them proper tarbiyah, a combined effort of the teachers and parents is required. Tarbiyah of our children and our students is so crucial that it is not unwise to give up everything else and devote ourselves solely to the tarbiyah of our children. On the day of judgement when punishment in the fire of hell will be destined for some (May Allah protect us. Ameen), they will cry out "Our Lord! Show us those among jinns and men who led us astray, we shall crush them under our feet, so that they become the lowest." (Quran 41:29). If we give our students and children everything of this world and deprive them of good Islamic tarbiyah, on the day of judgement, we will be the ones blamed for their misguidance. We will be the ones they will want to trample and crush with their feet. They will forget all the materialistic things we gave them, and all the sacrifices we made for their worldly future – if we don't make sacrifice for their future in the eternal life of the hereafter. On the other hand, if we give them proper Islamic tarbiyah, then on the day of judgement they will be a means of pride and joy for us. We will get rewarded for every act of piety they do. They will be a means of *sadaqa jaariya* (continuous charity) for us.

So it is humbly suggested to the parents, that they take the tarbiyah of their children very seriously. The children are very sensitive and they emulate whatever they see their parents and teachers doing. What we tell them is not enough. Our actions speak louder to them than our words. We have to act upon what we tell them - otherwise, they will be getting a mixed message which will leave them confused. Therefore, it is crucial that the parents and teachers are a good role model for the children – by being practising Muslims. Parents also need to make sure that they protect their children from sources of evil that are so prevalent in this unislamic society. So with the help and support of the parents, the Islamic Tarbiyah department will be able to achieve our goal of providing Islamic tarbiyah to our students, and to make them practising Muslims inshaAllah.

Success for Boys Update

Br M Azim

Teachers are meeting on a regular basis to work out the best strategies to be used when dealing with boys and their learning. Alhamdulillah, teachers have readily availed themselves for the workshops and

meetings and we are hopeful for a lot of changes in our general approach. Dr Wes Imms, from Melbourne University conducted a day long session on Boys and Curriculum with the male staff of DUCV last week. Teachers reported learning a lot and gaining understanding and insights with issues pertaining to boys' education. Currently, discussions are held and plans are being worked out in regards to 'boys and literacy'. Term 2 will totally be devoted to formulating a course of action for our school as far as 'Boys4Success' programme is concerned.



Numeracy Department

Welcome back to all parents. We hope you had plenty quality time with your children during the holiday break. The Numeracy department made a very busy beginning for the term. Teachers are enthusiastically listening to student's projects and marking their efforts for the tasks. We are pleased to announce that teachers are happy with the holiday homework completion of most students. Secondary students showed great enthusiasm while presenting their projects especially Year 7 and 8 Girls.

Mathematics Incursion

Sr B Yesilyurt

Last Friday, Gr 4- Yr 10 students had an incursion for Mathematics. World of Maths presenters came to set up their very exciting problem solving hands on activities. I must admit that some questions were really hard but most of our students found it very exciting. I was amazed to observe some of students' determination to reach the answer. Here is some feedback from our students who attended the Maths incursion:

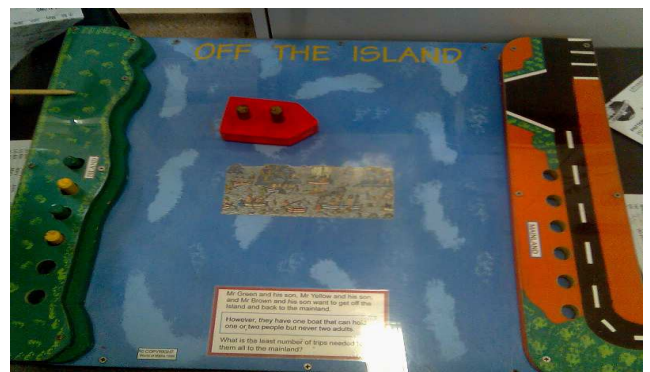


"...really fun and I hope they have something like that again"
Iman Moussa Gr 9

"...very exciting... wonderful day"
Wajiha Hussien Gr 6

"... lots of activities"
Rizwan Mohammed Gr 4

"...challenging... multiplying and multiplying"
Tarek Ismail Gr 4



Mathematics Department - Term II Activities

Some exciting announcements for this term:

- * This term, students will be solving lots of problem solving activities in their own year level.
- * Gr 3 & 4 – Gr 5 & 6 students will be having times tables competitions in Week 7 and Week 8. All students are expected to apply and start working from now to win the certificates and the surprise prizes. More information will be provided in the coming newsletters. We encourage all students to make a start from today to practice their 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 times tables.
- * Year 7 Aims additional tutoring classes will continue this term on Mondays after school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their cooperation for picking up their children on time for Mondays after school sessions.
- * After school Maths homework club will commence on **Wednesday 2nd May** for some classes. The consent form will be provided to the relevant classes soon for parents to sign the form and return to school by Monday 30th May. The session is provided at no cost.
- * To improve on the attitude of learning mathematics, we are on the search for finding the best suitable software for our students to be able engage them in Maths activities fully.

Did You Know...

English Department

That 30% of Australia's children are overweight and this figure is increasing by one percent every year. It is estimated that by 2025, 50% of our children will be overweight.

Healthy Guidelines for Kids...

Kids in the Kitchen

Compiled by: Mrs Bahruddin

Get the kids to help cook at home as it will help teach them where food comes from, how to measure, count, read, time and follow directions. It also allows for the introduction of new flavours as kids are more likely to eat food that they have helped prepare. Cooking is an important skill to teach children in this age of increasing take away and convenience eating. Remember to be patient. The mess and extra time needed will be worth it!! One idea is to begin the cooking experience with the food shopping. By encouraging them to help you, they will become familiar with a wide range of foods which will promote variety in their dietary intake. Teach them about choosing fresh fruits, vegetables and seasonal foods.

APPLE MUESLI MUFFINS

- 1 1/2 cup muesli
- 1 cup self raising flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup grated apple
- 1/2 cup sultanas
- 1 egg beaten
- 1/3 cup oil
- 1 cup milk



Add liquid ingredients to dry ingredients and mix until combined. Spoon into greased muffin tins. Bake at 190°C for 30 minutes or until golden. Makes 12.

TIP: Make mini muffins for little hands and tummies. Mini muffin tins are available from kitchen retailers.

Nutrition Australia (www.nutritionaustralia.org)



Story of the Week

Prophet Sulaiman (alayhis salam): Part 2 of 2

One day, Sulaiman (alayhis salam) called all the birds to gather round him, but as he glanced through the flock, he noticed that the Hoopoe bird was not there. Sulaiman (alayhis salam) waited for some time, and just as he was deciding not to wait any longer, the Hoopoe suddenly came flying in and sat himself down next to Sulaiman.

"I have come from a far-away city called Saba (Sheba)", the Hoopoe said. "The people there are very rich and they have a Queen who sits on a magnificent throne.

These people worship the sun and believe that they are right to treat the sun as God. But they are wrong, are they not? They will never find the right way to Allah (SWT) if they go on like that. Allah (SWT) is the only One Whom all creatures should worship."

Sulaiman (alayhis salam) then wrote a letter to the Queen of Saba and sent the Hoopoe to take it to her. When the Queen of Saba received the letter, she called all the wise men of the city to her.

"I have received a letter from Sulaiman (alayhis salam)" said the Queen. "In it, Sulaiman (alayhis salam) writes that we should believe in Allah (SWT) and worship only Him. What would you advise me to do?"

We are very powerful and can make war against Sulaiman (alayhis salam), but you have to decide yourself what is to be done, the wise men answered. "But a war could cause destruction to our city, and our best warriors will turn into cruel fighters", the Queen protested. "Therefore, I would prefer not to make war. Instead, I will send Sulaiman (alayhis salam) a present".

When the messengers of the Queen of Saba arrived with the present, they were very surprised because Sulaiman (alayhis salam) became very angry. "Why do you bring me these riches instead of listening to my advice?" Sulaiman (alayhis salam) scolded. "What Allah (SWT) has given me is much better than all these riches. Go to your Queen and take her presents with you!"

When she heard the Sulaiman (alayhis salam) had refused her valuable gifts, the Queen of Saba, in her turn, was surprised. So, she decided to go to see Sulaiman (alayhis salam) for herself.

She called her people and made preparations for the journey to Sulaiman (alayhis salam)'s city. When the Queen arrived, Sulaiman (alayhis salam) explained to her about Allah (SWT) and she realized how wrong she had been to worship the sun. "You are right", she told Sulaiman (alayhis salam), "From now on, I shall worship only Allah (SWT). He is our only Lord and we should obey only Him".

Student Samples

Note to Readers:

Student samples are randomly selected by Teachers and/or the editor. Generally, they are **not** edited in order to maintain the creativity of Student work.

My Dream

Mariam Ahmed Gr 9

I was running through a land of sugar; mars bars here, and candy canes there - no greens or vegies to give me a scare.

Then I closed my eyes to wake up in the world of dragons and knights, so I picked up a sword and began to fight.

I closed my eyes and woke up under the sea, where I swam with the mermaids happy and free.

I closed my eyes and woke in a soft fluffy bed, up high in the dewy sky where I spread out my arms and began to fly.

I closed my eyes and woke up in palace where the queen and king sat, plump and very fat.

I closed my eyes....

'Emily, Emily' it's your turn to solve the equation.

I opened me eyes and rubbed my head. "Emily", my teacher yelled. "Did you hear what I said"? I nodded and forget my dreams, because now I was in reality.

The Invaders

Zainab Abdullah Gr 9

Europeans came, took our land,

Now we're left on the rocks and sand.

We lived happily but now, with no food to eat.

Each time a European walks by, our hearts beat

We always got trashed

And always got trashed.

We got treated as strangers in our own land,

And we're still living on our desolate rocks and sand.

Aboriginal Dot Art

Ayse Sahin Gr 9



Kawsar Yehia Gr 9



Sarah Bakah from **Grade 5A** put in a lot of effort to prepare this poster presenting geographical and historical information about various regions and cities of the Australian land.



What's next? (Solution: Last Week)

4, 18, 48, 100, 180, 294, 448

Formula: $1 \times 2^2 = 4$, $2 \times 3^2 = 18$

For those who still can't figure this out, ask your Maths teacher to help you out with it.



What's next?

1, 4, 9, 20, 35, 66, ?

This week's sequence will also challenge most students. Time each other to see who gets it first.

Science Quiz Answers (Last Week) Science Dept.

1. Local Area Network
2. Boric oxide
3. True
4. Hydra
5. Gold forms no oxide film on its surface in air at normal temperatures, meaning that it will never rust or tarnish. CSIRO scientists have found that a bacterium plays an important role in the formation of gold nuggets in Australia. This research has significance for the mineral exploration industry – as current models of gold formation do not include a biological mechanism.



Quiz Questions

1. Where would you find a pepita?
2. True or false; testosterone is synthesised in a . female's ovaries and placenta?
3. What is the most common cause of death .. in modern society?
4. What is scree:
 - a pile of broken rock at the base of a hill,
 - b the sound made by a distressed eagle,
 - c drought-resistant plant native to Africa
5. What was the name of the cyclone that . . . caused havoc in Queensland last year?

Answers for this week will be provided next week inshaAllah.