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Important dates

21st (Tues) – 24th (Friday) of August – Scholastic Book Fair
20th Aug – 22nd Aug – School Camp at Wombat Corner
29th August – 15th of Sha'baan

Hadith of the week

Virtues of Tabligh

Compiled by: Hafiz Ahmed Abdella

"Hadhrat Aa-ishah (Radhiyallahu anha) asked the Holy Prophet (Sallallahu alaihe wasallam), "When the punishment of Allah befalls the inhabitants of any locality, does it affect the pious, just as it affects the guilty?" The Holy Prophet (Sallallahu alaihe wasallam) answered: "Yes, it does affect all of them in this world, but at the Resurrection the pious will be separated from the guilty."

Therefore, those people who are simply satisfied with their own piety, and do not participate in improving others should not rest assured that they are safe from the punishment of the Almighty. If any chastisement is inflicted by Allah, they too will be involved in it.

Message From the Principal

START WITH THE NAME OF ALLAH (SWT)

Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Assalam-O-Alaikum

As you are aware that we are trying our best to improve the quality of our school. We have introduced a policy in order to keep our school clean. If any child is found to be littering our school, he/she will be fined five dollars. Parents will be requested to pay that fine within two days. We have been informing the student about this policy for last couple of weeks. I would like to request all the parents to encourage their children not to throw any rubbish around the school. This is our school and all of us are responsible to keep it clean. May Allah (SWT) reward you for your cooperation.

Wassalam
Zulfiquar Ali

VCE News

A long awaited step towards opening of VCE will be taken soon Inshaallah. Alhamdulillah, the College is now well established with its educational programs at all levels. Having consolidated in primary and junior secondary areas, we are in the position to progress through the senior secondary levels, namely year 11 and 12. The College is currently in the process of registering for VCE in 2008. The current student numbers in year 10 only allow us to offer VCE to boys in 2008, but inshaallah in 2009 both boys and girls will be given that opportunity. In addition to this, the current year 9 students will be offered extension subjects like Maths Methods, Chemistry and Physics as electives in year 10 to better prepare them for VCE.

Vice Principal

A. Gokler

Parking Restrictions

The Moreland City Council has installed No Stopping parking restrictions on one side of Baird Street, Link Parade and Dowling Street. The restrictions are effective from 8-9am and 3-4pm, school days. These restrictions will be extended in Baird Street between 12-1.30pm on Fridays. Please take care of these restrictions while parking your cars or dropping off or picking up your children from the school.

Scholastic Book Fair

Tuesday 21st to Friday 24th of August

Mothers are welcome to attend the Book Fair on Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:15

Fathers are welcome to attend the Book Fair on Friday after the Zuhur salat

Families will also be sent a simple catalogue to view and order. All orders must come to the class teacher.

Please make sure you follow set procedure when making your orders.

On the Book Fair days we take students to choose their favourite book/item

They will bring their order forms home and if you agree with their selection then

1. put the right amount of money in a well sealed envelope
2. write your child's name and grade very clearly

3. send the order with your child to the CLASS teacher

Orders will take a few weeks and as soon as they are delivered to us, we will pass them on to your children.

Jazakullah khair and I hope we all benefit from this event, inshallah
The Librarians

SHA'BAAN Preparation for Ramadan

Taken from "Islamic Months" By [Mufti Taqi Usmani](#)

Sha'ban is one of the meritorious months for which we find some particular instructions in the Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam. It is reported in the authentic *ahadith* that Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, used to fast most of the month in Sha'ban. These fasts were not obligatory on him but Sha'ban is the month immediately preceding the month of Ramadan. Therefore, some preparatory measures are suggested by Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam. Some of these are given below:

1. The blessed companion Anas, Radi-Allahu anhu, reports that Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, was asked, "Which fast is the most meritorious after the fasts of Ramadan?" He replied, "Fasts of Shaban in honor of Ramadan."

2. The blessed companion Usama ibn Zaid, Radi-Allahu anhu, reports that he asked Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam: "Messenger of Allah, I have seen you fasting in the month of Sha'ban so frequently that I have never seen you fasting in any other month." Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, replied: "That (Sha'ban) is a month between Rajab and Ramadan which is neglected by many people. And it is a month in which an account of the deeds (of human beings) is presented before the Lord of the universe, so, I wish that my deeds be presented at a time when I am in a state of fasting."

3. Ummul Mu'mineen 'Aishah, Radi-Allahu anha, says, "Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, used to fast the whole of Sha'ban. I said to him, 'Messenger of Allah, is Sha'ban your most favourite month for fasting?' He said, 'In this month Allah prescribes the list of the persons dying this year. Therefore, I like that my death comes when I am in a state of fasting.'"

These reports indicate that fasting in the month of Sha'ban, though not obligatory, is so meritorious that Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, did not like to miss it.

But it should be kept in mind that the fasts of Sha'ban are for those persons only who are capable of keeping them without causing deficiency in the

obligatory fasts of Ramadan. Therefore, if one fears that after fasting in Sha'ban, he will lose strength or freshness for the fasts of Ramadan and will not be able to fast in it with freshness, he should not fast in Sha'ban, because the fasts of Ramadan, being obligatory, are more important than the optional fasts of Sha'ban. That is why Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, himself has forbidden the Muslims from fasting one or two days immediately before the commencement of Ramadan. The blessed Companion Abu Hurairah, Radi-Allahu anhu, reports Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, to have said, "Do not fast after the first half of the month of Sha'ban is gone."

According to another report Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam has said: "Do not precede the month of Ramadan with one or two fasts."

The essence of the above-quoted *ahadith* is that Prophet Muhammad, Sall-Allahu alayhi wa sallam, himself used to fast most of the month of Sha'ban, because he had no fear of developing weakness or weariness before the commencement of Ramadan. As for others, he ordered them not to fast after the 15th of Sha'ban for the fear that they would lose their strength and freshness before Ramadan starts, and would not be able to welcome the month of Ramadan with enthusiasm.



UNFORGETTABLE SUNSET

The crimson setting flowing down with golden sun rays.

The emerald green grass swaying underneath the brow and apple green bamboo trees

The olive green seaweed flowing under the sparkling sea

The cream corral is an exceptional place for the caramel fish to hide

The amber and white clown fishes swimming to their homes to rise

As the golden sun disappears beneath the sea

As the twinkling leaves of the bamboo trees

Its Asr now lets get ready to pray

The birds are circling up ahead

Say Alhamdulillah that the nature was found.

Allah, the creator had made them all

Allah had said in the holy quran,

That praise for him cause can you see how mighty he is?

Khairul-Bariyah- 4A

Last week Science Quiz Answers

1. The Milky Way
2. False; they have soft bodies.
3. b) About 10 times.
4. Your eyelids.
5. b) 25.6 to 28.6 days of very high or extreme fire danger.

Think Laterally!

By Ms H. Almadhoun

The Literacy Department Quiz

Tempting Offer



Legend has it that a rich but wicked man once offered a poor beggar an earthenware jug containing a sweet-smelling liquid that the wicked Swore would turn everything it came into contact with into pure gold.

Why was the poor beggar not deceived?

Are there double letters?

By Ms H. Almadhoun Literacy Department

Here are some other words you may wish to make up phrases for to help you remember how to spell them.

tomorrow	accident	occasion
opportunity	community	disappoint
recommend	cigarette	committee
succeed	accommodation	embarrass
apply	address	carrot

How to make up a memory phrase?

1. Work on the part of the word which you forget.
e.g. In the word **accommodation**, the **double 'cc'** and **double 'mm'** are usually the problem.

2. Make up a phrase that will remind you of the difficult part of the word, as well as the word that you're trying to remember.
e.g. For accommodation, you might try and think of two people with the initials 'CC' and 'MM' sharing a house together. Your memory phrase or mnemonic would then be something like, **Cheerful Charlie and Mad Mary share accommodation.**

3. Once you have invented a phrase you may also find it useful to try and draw it. This can also help to fix it in your memory.

4. Often the best phrases are the ones you make up



SUNSET

This place is a sensational, beautiful location where the whole family could enjoy. Look at the sun!!! Subhanallah!!! It is stunning and exquisite!! It is a bright sight with the sun setting and the clouds changing colour. WOW!!! Look at the sun it is as if it is in the water! Anybody would of course want to come to this lovely destination. Fascinating views! As you can see the rock on the side is eclipse. Isn't that gorgeous!!!!

*So bright!!!
U can't believe it!!
Now that's what I call a view!!!
Sunset is always fading!!
Eh!! Don't let it go!!
Tell the sun "NO!!!!!!"*

Ayat Elmakari 4A



An exquisite sunset's sight

*Look at the sea shining bright,
Look at the sunset lovely sight,
And come have a look at the night,
You will love the wonderful sight.
I love it so much,
That my eyes will not stop
Starting at the beautiful sight.
What an exquisite sunset's sight.*

Sarah Mohammed 4A



Shadowy Tree

*Look at the ocean so bright,
Look at the sunset in a beautiful sight,
I want to swim with my might,
Look at the sunset bright as light.
Look at the ground so black,
It is long as a track.
Look at the tree,
It is so beautiful I could see the beauty.*

Hanan Haddad 4A

yourself and most people are more likely to remember something which is very silly or even slightly rude!

Preparing your child for Prep 2008

Literacy Department **By Ms H. Almadhoun**

Another suggestion for preparing your child to school.

Developing Concepts About Texts and Print

Talking with your child about the different parts of a book and how the print works is important. As adults we know this information so well we often forget that we ever learnt it.

Select one or two items from the following list to point out and discuss with your child each time you read together.

- A book has a front and back.
- A book has a right way up.
- Books are read from front to back.
- Pages are turned to reveal the next part of the book.
- The left-hand page is read before the right-hand page.
- A page is read from left to right and top to bottom.
- Print is different from pictures. Point to the print as you read aloud.
- Pictures support the print.
- Talk about first and last. These can be applied to pages in a book, words on a page or letters in a word.
- Words such as 'letter', 'sound', 'word' and 'sentence' describe different things.
- Numbers and letters are different.
- Letters have two forms—capital letters and lower case letters, e.g. 'M' and 'm'.

Jazakum Allahkhair
Literacy Coordinator

Healthy Eating Schools

Compiled By Mrs Bahruddin

8 Ways to get kids to eat a varied diet



1. Enjoy a variety of foods. Serve up a variety of healthy foods each day. These include fruit and vegetables, legumes (such as dried peas, beans and lentils), wholegrain cereals, low fat dairy, lean meat, fish and skinless chicken. Low fat or skim milks are not suitable for children under two years of age. However, for children over two years, low fat milk is recommended.
2. Shop healthy. If you haven't got a healthy variety in your kitchen pantry or cupboard, you can't put it on the table. Try avoiding having "sometimes" foods such as confectionary in the cupboard as children will then see them as "everyday" foods.
3. Go for quality, not quantity. Children serves may be small. It all depends on their age and appetite. Variety is the important ingredient.
4. Stick to three meals and two snacks every day. Growing children need to be fed regularly and often.

5. Begin their day with a healthy breakfast. It improves concentration, assists learning and builds stamina.
6. Give your children choices. Offer kids a few healthy choices. For instance, ask if they want an apricot or a plum, beans or broccoli, an egg or tuna sandwich.
7. Lunch boxes that go crunch. Skip the chips. Fruits and vegetables make a great snack or lunch box addition. Try corn on the cob, carrots, small Lebanese cucumbers, green beans, cherry tomatoes, celery, stone fruit, grapes or berries.
8. Frozen fruits. Frozen fruits are great for snacks or dessert. Try frozen grapes, bananas, mango wedges or even dried fruit like sultanas.



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INDONESIA

6A SOSE Students

Indonesia is a country in the south east of Asia. It has lots of islands. Some are big but others are so small that nobody lives on them. Jakarta is the Capital City of Indonesia. There are many volcanoes on the islands of Indonesia. Some of them still erupt. On the islands near the equator, the weather is hot and it rains everyday. Thousands of different plants grow in Indonesia. The houses in villages of Indonesia are built from bamboo and other types of wood. In Jakarta there are over eight million people and many important buildings. The main crop is rice. It is grown in flat paddy fields. Just over half of the people in Indonesia work in farming. In Indonesia, the favourite sport is football. The main languages spoken in Indonesia are Javanese, Sundanese, Malay and Madurese. Most people in Indonesia are Muslims, some are Christian and a few are Hindu or Buddhist.

Fact file:

- ❖ The population in Indonesia is 229 million
- ❖ The capital city in Indonesia is Jakarta
- ❖ The currency in Indonesia is rupiah (=100 Sen)
- ❖ The official language in Indonesia is Bahasa Indonesia.
- ❖ The area of Indonesia is 1920000 km
- ❖ The main religion in Indonesia is Islam.
- ❖ The industries in Indonesia are oil, gas, timber, coffee, fishing, agriculture and tourism.