

December Newsletter

By: Sister Gulsangay Rashidi

Assalamu Alaikum,

Alhumdulillah we are approaching the end of the first semester. Our students have done a wonderful job. I would like to thank all the parents who attended the parent/teacher conferences. My gratitude also goes to the students and parents who participated in the orphan sponsorship project.

Orphan Sponsorship

Learning that doing small things, like selling calendars, teaches our students that they can make a difference in the world. Especially, when the money is for a great cause. The seventh and eighth graders helped us sell calendars during the Jumma Prayers. InshaAllah I will keep you posted on the outcome of the sponsorship.



What's new in Hifdh?

by Sheikh Hassan Yagoub

We are pleased to announce the winning teams of the boys and girls for ANQA 1st School Team Competition. So a BIG CONGRATULATIONS to **Al-Muhajiroon Team (Girls: Najma Mohamud, Aleena Shahid, Jasmine Arikat, Falak Noor Rabani and Zainab Irshad)**. And another BIG CONGRATULATIONS to **Al-Ansar Team (Boys: Tarik Qudwa, Zakariya Mohamed, Mohamed Atere, Harun Ali, and Rehan Mahmood)**. It was quite a struggle as the leading teams and scores were being announced weekly claiming mini rewards and privileges. Of course we can't forget to congratulate all the other teams for their effort and participation. At the same time, you should know that another school team competition will commence from next quarter with new teams and even bigger awards. So prepare yourselves and do your best inshaAllah!



5th & 6th Grade Science Project

Learning about different seasons is always a joy. The fifth and sixth graders learned about how and why leaves change colors in the fall. The students collected leaves and made different projects to teach one another about what they had learned. The students had so much fun.



Student's Corner

How An-Noor Changed My Life

Nabeel Khan: Asalamu alaikum, my name is Nabeel Khan and I have been in An-Noor for approximately 3.5 years. Within these years, I've had many learning opportunities. My mentors made it clear that Islam was the right religion for me. Since the day I came to An-Noor Quran Academy, I have made many new friends. My friends helped me with my hardships. May Allah (swt) grant them patience in their time of hardship.

The main reason why a student would come to An-Noor is to memorize the Holy Quran. I, Alhamdulillah, memorized much of the Quran. Without Allah giving me an opportunity to come to An-Noor, I would not be where I am today.

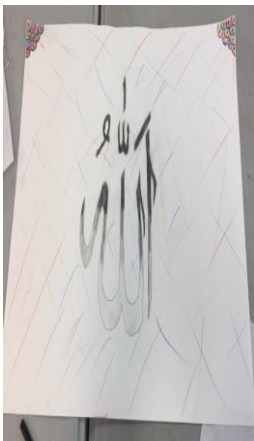
I pray that Allah (swt) accepts the good deeds from all of the people that have helped me come this far. May He also accept from the staff that had helped An-Noor Quran Academy become a better place.

Najma Mohamud: Asalamu alaikum, my name is Najma Mohamud and I have been in An-Noor for approximately 2.5 years. An-Noor School changed my life by helping me with my Tajweed and pronunciation of The Holy Quran. I used to either prolong my ghunnah or change the words. Alhamdulillah, now I know when to do the ghunnah and know the meaning of each word on the page that I'm memorizing, most of the time. An-Noor School also gave me an understanding of some of the prophets Mohammad's (PBUH) Sunnah and Hadiths.

Furthermore, An-Noor School made me think positively and not negatively. If I think negatively, then I won't be able to help myself memorize the Quran. But If I think I can memorize the whole Quran, then I can actually achieve it. There are so many reasons how An-Noor School made a difference in my life. I have to conclude here by saying that I am so grateful to be memorizing The Holy Quran. I can't ask for anything more.

Art Club

An-Noor is proud to have the Art Club as an extracurricular activity this year every Friday. Sister Nisrin Shahin, one of our parents, is the instructor. She has a bachelor degree in Studio Art and also has experience in Islamic Calligraphy. May Allah reward her for her contribution.



PTSO Corner

We would like to thank Sr. Mehrin Farooq, Sr. Arshiya Siddiqui, and Sr. Maria Afaque for cleaning the office. They put a lot of effort. We would also like to thank the PTSO for the wonderful new Keurig coffee machine. This has been a great addition for the school's staff. Jazakum Allahu Khairun.



Important Information to be aware of:

- December 23, 2016 **Teacher Workday**
- December 26, 2016 to January 2, 2017
Winter Break
- January 3, 2017 **Report Cards**
- January 9, 2017 **A/B Honor Roll Party**

Have a great winter break!

