***5th Grade News***

April 22nd, 2016

***Assalamu Alaikom Parents!***

* Thanks for coming to our Student-Led-Conferences, Jazakum Allah khair!

**Language Arts**

* This week, the fifth graders started a new six week cycle of book clubs☺ with six jobs. Each week fifth graders will switch to a new job to do for their club. The students decided as a group on the book they would like to read and already started reading them. Our fifth graders are still working on their fiction stories for Young Authors Conferences which is related to their Children of Charity project. They are very excited about the idea. Ask your student to share with you at home.



**Math**

* The students continued to practice multiplying and dividing fractions. Next week they will move into algebra. Please support your fifth grader at home by going over their learning experiences at school and reminding them of the importance of completing homestudy as a way of practicing the concepts and skills they learn at school.

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**Health Sciences**

The boys and girls of fifth grade enjoyed exploring matter in all of its forms and its changes. The fifth grade students learned that matter is made up of unseen particles. They also examined the difference between molecules and atoms, and physical and chemical changes. Last week in science, the 5th graders did some really exciting experiments! Each student participated in a lab which demonstrated the difference between a chemical and physical reaction. Students understand that in order for a chemical reaction to occur, a new substance must be formed. The 5th graders really enjoyed these labs and learned a lot! Next week they will be assessed on matter and start exploring Earth in the universe.

**Social/Religious Studies**

* The fifth grade students continued to explore the Colonies and the Colonial life.  They examined the landforms, geography, climate, and settlement patterns of the three groups of colonies, New England, Middle, and Southern Colonies.  Our Green Field Village field trip helped to bring their learning experience to life.
* Next insha’Allah, we will focus on the role of the congress in unifying the colonies and move into the declaration of independence and the challenges that the nation faced.
* During Islamic Studies, the 5th graders continue to attend Br. Tayssir’s classes. They continue to gain valuable knowledge and life-long lessons. For the last couple of weeks they have been focusing on studying the attributes of the prophets. They were assessed on the attributes of Allah (swt) and the prophets (peace be upon all of them).
* All of our fifth graders have graduated and earned the honor of praying in the masjid every day, masha’Allah.

**Don’t Forget…**

* 4/22: Trimester 3 progress reports
* 4/27: Shadowing day for 5th graders in the CMS
* 5/4: PTO Skating Station Event
* 5/9-5/13 Literacy Week/Islamic Book Fair

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**Sweet Success!**

* *Each 1-2 weeks, we will be honoring a few of our students for a positive contribution they made to their community. This week we are proud to honor:*

 **Zainab Khan**- **5A:**

for following class rules and always trying her best.

**Yasmeen Khan-5B:**

for making real effort to reach her goals and to be a productive member of our classroom community

*We hope you have a great weekend after another valuable and productive week!*