

### Events



**March 3<sup>rd</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>:** Spring Break

(School Closed)



**March 17<sup>th</sup>:** Parent-Teacher  
Conferences

- 2:00 pm- 3:30 pm



**March 20<sup>th</sup>:** 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

Begins



**March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Arabic Spelling

Bee

- 8:15 am- 10:30 am

### AzMerit Testing

Students at Noor Academy in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> will be taking the **AzMERIT** statewide achievement test in Language Arts (Reading, Writing) and Mathematics at their grade level.



**March 28<sup>th</sup>** - Writing

**April 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>** - Reading and Math

**April 6<sup>th</sup>** - Test Make-Up Day

Each year in preparation for our annual AzMerit testing, PTO provides healthy snacks to each student on testing days. This year, we hope that parents can help to support this effort. Parents may contribute pre-packaged single-serve containers of fruit snacks enough for 30 students. In order to allow enough time to sort and distribute, PTO would like all donated snacks delivered to the office by **March 17<sup>th</sup>**. As always, thank you for your on-going support of Noor Academy.

*All questions/concerns should be directed to Mrs. Hassiba  
(AIMS/AzMerit Coordinator)*

### Reminders

NAA has a vacant position for the PTO Chairman! If you are interested or would like to become a member please refer to Ms. Hassiba.

We are still collecting Box Tops and CapriSun pouches. Please turn these in to your child's homeroom teachers.



# HOORAY! FREE DRESS DAY!



Students will have Free Dress Day every Friday in the month of March (on the 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup>)

## Please note:

- No sandals/flip flops allowed.
- If boys wear shorts, they must go passed the knees.
- Girls in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up must still wear hijab.

## AAA Scholarship



We would like to encourage all parents to apply to AAA as soon as possible for the next school year. Please note the following open application dates:

**2017-18 Scholarship Applications for New Families** - Paper and online available March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

**2017-18 Scholarship Renewals** - Paper applications mailed to renewal families on February 15 / Online renewals starting on February 24.

## Theme of the Month

### Free Time



Ibn Abbas reported that the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said: "**There are two blessings which many people waste: health and free time.**" [Bukhari]

Here are some beneficial things you can do in your free time:

- Help your parents around the house
- Spend time with your siblings
- Listen to, read, and memorize Quran
- Read beneficial books
- Participate in physical activities (walking, biking, swimming, sports, etc.)

## Student Corner



My name is Kaysaan Zaheer and I am 11 years old. I am originally from Pakistan and Afghanistan. I moved here from San Jose, California in October of 2016. So far, I am enjoying Arizona; I like that it's not as busy as California. My hobbies include biking, wrestling, and playing basketball. I hope to become a professional basketball player in the future. My favorite subjects are math and science. I really like my classmates and teachers at Noor Academy.