

# Noor Academy March 2016 Newsletter



## Holidays

- **Spring Break (NO SCHOOL):** March 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>

## School Events

- **First Day of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:** Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>
- **Parent Teacher Conference:** Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
from 2:00-3:30pm
- **Field Day:** Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ Jaycee Park in Tempe  
from 8am-1pm

## Last Month's Events

Our school counselor Ms. Nada Abuwandi visited Noor Academy to lead a Parents' Seminar on Effective Strategy and Positive Interventions for Children. This was a successful event filled with beneficial information such as helping children build healthy self-esteem, teaching responsibility, and practicing positive reinforcement. Thank you to all the parents who attended. In order to benefit from our speakers, we encourage all parents to attend future seminars.

## Reminders

Order your **2015-2016 Yearbook** Today

It's the biggest story of the year

AND YOU'RE IN IT!

The Noor Academy 2015-2016 Yearbook is now on sale FOR ONLY \$20. This beautiful, 50 page hard cover book is a great way to collect memories of the school year. It will include professional individual pictures as well as all school activities and events. Please pre-order your book by March 3rd to ensure you receive it by May!

## MESSAGE FROM AzMERIT/AIMS COORDINATOR

Parents please note the following schedule for AzMerit/AIMS testing. These assessments are required by the state and therefore students cannot be absent on test days. Plan all vacations, doctors' appointments, etc around this schedule. Thank you.

- The AzMerit (Reading, Writing, and Math) testing will take place between **March 31<sup>st</sup> - April 6<sup>th</sup>**.
- AIMS (Science) testing will take place between **April 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>**.

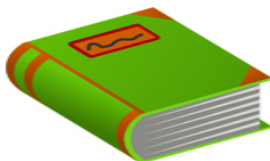
## Staff Corner



My name is Nada Elzayyat and I am the new Administrative Assistant at Noor Academy. I graduated from ASU Fall of 2015 with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, a minor in Sociology, and a minor in Family and Human Development. I was born in Arizona and raised among the Muslim community here in Tempe. I used to teach at the weekend school Dar Al Arqam at the Islamic Community Center of Tempe. After a year, I became the manager of the program and we moved to the Noor Academy facility. Alhamdulillah I loved working with young children, teaching them about Islam and providing a space for them to comfortably ask questions about their faith. I am equally as excited to work with the children and families here at Noor Academy. I look forward to getting to know all of you better and helping you with anything you may need.



For your  
Calendar



NO SCHOOL  
March 7-11



4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Begins  
March 14



Parent Teacher Conference  
March 18



Field Day  
March 25

## Islamic Corner

### Quran Competition Winners



#### Level One Kindergarten Group 1: Surat Ad-Duha

1st Place: Laila Owaynat and Faisal Siad

2nd Place: Aisha Muhudin and Mustafa Osman

3rd Place: Shayan Abdinur, Mohamed Ali,  
Ruqiya Mohamed, Abdiwali Sharif, Rukia Abdirazak

#### Level One 1st - 6th Group 2: Surat Ad-Duha

1st Place: Razina Hilowle

2nd Place: Salma Hassan

3rd Place: Zakariya Rana

#### Level Two 1st - 6th: Surat At-Takwir

1st Place: Sabarin Sharif

2nd Place: Maryama Osman

3rd Place: Amel Awadalla and Abdul Hadi

#### Level Three 1st - 6th: Surat An-Nabaa and Surat Al-Qiyama

1st Place: Ahmad Hassan and Fathima Haziqa

2nd Place: Iwa Abdullahi

#### Level Three 1st - 6th: Surat Al-Fath

1st Place: Abdullah Fidai

2nd Place: Abdullahi Said

3rd Place: Ahmed Djama

## Theme of the Month

### Forgiveness

Allah (SWT), who named Himself Ar-Rahman (The Beneficent) and Ar-Rahim (The Merciful), is also Al-Ghafoor (The Forgiving). His Mercy overtakes His punishment and anger. He is more merciful to His creations than a mother can be to her infants.



The Prophet (PBUH) said:

"Be merciful to others and you will receive mercy. Forgive others and Allah will forgive you."  
(Sahih)

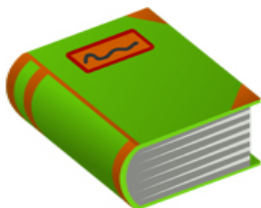
## Student Corner



Asalamu Alaikum. My name is Ahmed Djama. I am originally from Djibouti (an East African country), but I was born in Denver, Colorado. I am the second youngest of six children. I am currently in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and this is my fifth year attending Noor Academy.

My favorite sport is soccer and my favorite position to play is striker. Some of my other hobbies include playing video games and reading. The subjects I enjoy most at school are Social Studies, Quran, Islamic Studies, and Arabic.

When I grow up I want to play professional soccer for Real Madrid, a team from Spain. One of their best players, Cristiano Ronaldo is my favorite player. I hope to one day be like him and get drafted by this team Insh'Allah.



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