

# Noor Academy February 2016 Newsletter



## Holidays

- February 15<sup>th</sup> (No School): President's Day

## School Events

- Quran Competition: Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:30a.m -10:30a.m Parents please review the assigned surah with your child
- February 4<sup>th</sup> (early release 12:30pm): Staff Development Day. Parents please pick up your child on time.
- April 19<sup>th</sup>: Science Fair (Rescheduled due to AZ Merit Testing)

## Reminders

We are proud to announce that clubs are now open for KG students! You may enroll your child in either Art or Cooking Club. Please see front desk.

Our website is regularly updated. Please visit us at [Nooracademyaz.com](http://Nooracademyaz.com) to see the school calendar, events/achievements, monthly newsletters. and much more!

As of February 1<sup>st</sup>, the following clubs will be available: Cooking, Art, Sewing, and Sports.



Drop off zone is for drop off and pick up. **NOT FOR PARKING.** Thank you for your cooperation.

## Last month's events/achievements:

### English Spelling Bee Winners



	KG	1st Grade	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Shayan Abdinur	Aisha Rage	Yahye Siad	Abdullah Ahmed & Iwa Abdullahi	Abdullahi Said
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Laila Owaynat	Ahmad Hassan	Amel Awadalla	Asia Said	Ameena Abdelhakim
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Mustafa Osman	Sabarin Sharif	Abdul Hadi	Layan Alnatsheh	Yusuf Al-Zeheri

## Mrs. Hassiba's Message

Noor Academy is preparing our students for two standardized state tests. We expect all students to demonstrate a passing score. Below is an explanation of each:

**AIMS (Science):** AIMS is a standards based assessment aligned with the Arizona Academic Content Standards. **\*\* NAA 4<sup>th</sup> Graders are required to take this test this year.**

**AzMerit:** The statewide achievement test. Arizona school students 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade will take the AzMERIT in English Language Arts (Reading, Writing) and Mathematics at their grade level.

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



For your  
Calendar

Feb 2  
Quran Competition

Feb 4  
Early Release

Feb 15  
No School

Feb 23  
Science Fair



## Staff Corner

My name is Aseel Abdallah and this is my first year working at Noor Academy. I am one of the Administrative Assistants here so I am sure I have met most of you. It is such a blessing to be able to work within the Muslim community. I have had quite a few jobs, but Subhan'Allah none compare to this one. Seeing these young Muslims learning Quran, Arabic, and Islamic Studies reminds me of when I was in Islamic School. What a beautifully nostalgic feeling. I always felt a sense of belonging when I was around my Muslim brothers and sisters. The teachers, the principal, my classmates, were all like me. We prayed together and fasted together; it was truly amazing. I am sure this is how students feel attending Noor Academy. Trust me when I say they will not only learn things that are invaluable regarding their Islamic faith, but they will also build strong relationships that will last a life time Insh'Allah.



## Student Corner

My name is Aisha Abdirazak and I am in 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade. This is my first year attending Noor Academy. So far I think it is the best school. The principal and staff are all very nice. One thing I really enjoy is the lessons we learn during the jum'ah khutbah. It was very hard leaving my last school because I missed my best friends. But I am so lucky to have made really good friends here at Noor Academy too. My favorite subject is Language Arts because I love to write and tell stories. I would like to add that I am very grateful to Mrs. Hassiba for helping me in Math and making it fun to learn. My hobbies include painting, playing soccer, and sewing. When I grow up I would like to become a doctor so that I could help all of my family and friends.

## Islamic Corner

### Extracurricular Event:

On January 21<sup>st</sup>, guest speaker, Imam Abdulbasir Ali came to Noor Academy to teach students about cleanliness. They learned that Muslims need to cleanse themselves of physical impurities regularly, not just before prayer. Students engaged in group discussion about personal hygiene and the importance of maintaining purity.

### **Theme of the Month** Generosity



### **The Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said:**

**“Verily God is generous and He loves generosity”**

**(Bukhari)**

Islam urges its followers to be generous and spend their money in the way of Allah (swt) because this leads to fostering feelings of love and solidarity within the society and eliminating envy from people's hearts. Therefore, feelings such as cooperation, love, and forgiveness prevail among Muslims whether they are rich or poor.



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