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EIA offers a high quality education, embedded in Islamic values, to enable students to become RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SUCCESSFUL leaders and contributors to society.



GRADE 7 | NEWSLETTER

March 4 - March 8, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

M2 REPORTS

Tuesday, March 5

Please be advised that M2 report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, March 5th.

EIA CAREER DAY

Wednesday, March 6

Please be advised that EIA's Career Fair will be held on Wednesday, March 6th in ARCA.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thursday, March 7 - Friday, March 8

Please be advised that Grade 7 Parent Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, March 7th and Friday, March 8th.

NO CLASSES

Friday, March 8

Please be advised that Grade 7 students have no classes on Friday, March 8th.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STARTS

Sunday, March 10

Please be advised that Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 10th.

UNIFORM POLICY

Junior High Girls:

Girls are required to wear a gray school abaya and a royal blue school hijab. The blue hijab is available for purchase in the main office. Please note that a black hijab is not permitted. **Cultural clothing and other styles of abayas are NOT allowed at this moment.**

Junior High Boys:

Boys are to wear their black uniform pants and grey uniform polo shirt (long or short sleeve). On Fridays, boys are to wear the blue uniform dress shirt and school tie or black tie. **Thobes or similar forms of cultural clothing are NOT allowed at this moment**.

Junior High Sweaters:

If students want to wear an extra layer, a school hoodie with the school logo purchased from McCarthy Uniforms is the only sweater permitted.

ATHLETICS

You are now able to view upcoming Junior High games and practice times using this <u>link</u>, and receive weekly updates by joining the Junior High Athletics remind page using the code **28e68d**

MESSAGE FOR THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents,

At the Edmonton Islamic Academy, we recognize that our student's success depends on effective collaboration between parents and school staff. We all play an important role in a child's academic success. With that being said, we would like to outline our expectations for parents and identify some strategies that can be implemented to support your child in their areas of growth:

General Strategies:

- Monitor that your child **completes their homework daily by checking the remind app** for assigned homework.
- Set a daily **scheduled time for homework and studying** (e.g., from 6-8 pm daily) and remove all distractions during this period such as cellphones and iPads.
- Ensure that they are **on task during this time**. You may utilize your child's **siblings as support.**
- **Help Sessions:** We have multiple help sessions running during the school day to support students who may be struggling in each subject. **Please ask your child's teacher for the timings of these sessions and ensure your child attends.**
- Attend parent-teacher meetings: Please continue to communicate with your child's teachers to understand which areas they need support in.

Language Arts:

- **Reading**: Please ensure your child reads daily. Students are encouraged to sign books out of our school library, or the public library or read online (ask your child's teacher for recommendations for online reading platforms).
- Understanding: Ask comprehension questions about what they read or meanings of higher level vocabulary (ask them to use a manual dictionary to look up the word and define it in their own words),
- **Writing**: You may also ask them to summarize the text in a short written paragraph for you. Review the paragraph to ensure proper grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Math

• **Complete practice problems:** Have your child practice solving a few questions daily for the unit they are on (review questions from the child's notes and math textbook).

Science & Social Studies

- Review notes and textbook readings.
- Ask your child to explain concepts to you and encourage them to connect these to concepts previously known.

Lastly, Please immediately reach out to your child's teacher to discuss any questions or concerns. Our children are an Amanah from Allah and we pray that our continued collaboration will help support them to achieve an optimal education.

JazakAllahu Khairan! Secondary Team

CORE CLASSES

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS (TEST/QUIZ)

Subject	Monday Mar 4	Tuesday Mar 5	Wednesday Mar 6	Thursday Mar 7	Friday Mar 8
Social Studies					
Science					
Math			Chapter 3 Test		
Language Arts					
Arabic					
Islamic Studies					

ISLAMIC STUDIES 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E

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TOPICS

- → QURAN: Al Jinn (1-20) memorization and tafseer.
- → Tajweed: Al Madd Al Lazim Al Kalimi (Mouthaggal/Moukhaffaf).
- → Akhlaq: The laws of Male/Female relations in Islam.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code for all grade 7 Islamic: @wnadj
- ★ Google Classroom Code for grade 7 Islamic: plokkz7

ARABIC STUDIES

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Level 3:

- → New Reading lesson: أحب المطالعة
- → Introduction to the new vocabulary words.
- → Prepositions of place.
- → Forming sentences using prepositions of place.

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @level3-eia
- ★ Google Classroom Code: omka3k5

ARABIC STUDIES

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Level 2: REVISION

- → New Lesson حصة العربية The Arabic Class pg. 24
- → New vocabulary pg. 24 العبارات الأساسية (blue box)
- → Answering questions pgs. 25-27
- → Learning about الداة الاستفهام هل Is?
- → Learning about /opposites (easy ,difficult, beginning, end)(الأضداد (صعبة سهلة بداية نهاية Learning about /opposites (easy ,difficult, beginning, end)

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @7cde-2
- ★ Google Classroom Code: wmbu6gq
- ★ Al-Shamil textbook Level 2.

ARABIC STUDIES

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Level 2: TOPICS

- → New Lesson حصة العربية The Arabic Class pg. 24
- → New vocabulary pg. 24 العبارات الأساسية (blue box)
- → Answering questions pgs. 25-27
- → Learning about اأداة الاستفهام هل Is?
- → Learning about /opposites (easy ,difficult, beginning, end)(الأضداد (صعبة- سهلة -بداية نهاية).

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: lvl2abir
- ★ Google classroom code: xmfc2zc
- ★ Al Shamil Textbook Level 2
- ★ Revision Booklet/ worksheets/ Quran/ Tajweed booklets
- **★** Arabic Dictionary

ARABIC STUDIES

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Level 1: TOPICS

→ Start the new lesson أقسام الاسم (عدد): مفرد - مثنى - جمع

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

- ★ The new book is shared on Google classroom.
- ★ New material will be provided.
- ★ Remind code: @raghda789
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ihmt4au

ENGLISH 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E

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TOPICS

- → Short Stories Unit
- → Characterization as an important element in fiction
- ightharpoonup Students will work on the Characterization project this week

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, March 11: Characterization project is due (students will present their projects)
- Daily: please read 30 minutes daily. Don't forget to read the assigned reading passages on Google Classroom for practice. **Students have 5 books t**o read by the end of May. Each book they read is worth five marks for a total of 25 marks. This will impact their grade if not completed in time.

RESOURCES

- ★ Message the code below to this number please: (778) 402-6346
- ★ Remind code for 7A: @saleh7a
- ★ Remind code for 7B: @saleh7b
- ★ Remind code for 7C: @saleh7c
- ★ Remind code for 7D: @saleh7d
- ★ Remind code for 7E: @saleh7e
- ★ Google Classroom Codes:
 - Google Classroom code for 7a: 36zu6rx
 - Google Classroom code for 7b: xcetnqz
 - Google Classroom code for 7c: 5r7pxur
 - Google Classroom code for 7d: v2hd7ce
 - Google Classroom code for 7e: 4ipms4t

SOCIAL 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E

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TOPIC

→ Chapter 7: The Great Migration and Push for Democracy

IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, March 4: Chapter 6 Human Impact Organization and War Project (7A, 7B, 7C, 7D)
- Thursday March 7: Chapter 6 Human Impact Organization and War Project (7E)

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom:
 - ★ 7A: ljdz5te
 - ★ 7B: uldgiad
 - ★ 7C: a6fy6gc★ 7D: nv3ua5x

 - **★** 7E:yssx3i6
- Remind:
 - o 7A: socst7a
 - 7B: socst7b
 - 0 7C: socst7cc
 - 7D: socst7d 0
 - 0 7E: socst7e
- ★ Textbook available on Google Classroom "Our Canada" and the school library.

MATH 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E

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TOPICS

→ Chapter 3 : Space and Shape (Geometry)

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, March 6: Chapter 3 Test

RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom Code: ykmdam4
- ★ Remind Code for 7A: @eia7amath
- ★ Remind Code for 7B: @eia7bmath
- ★ Remind Code for 7C: @eia7cmath
- ★ Remind Code for 7D: @math7deia
- ★ Remind Code for 7E: @7ematheia

SCIENCE 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E

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TOPICS:

- → Unit D (4): Structures and Forces
- →[<u>Textbook Reference</u> [TB Page 266 349] Topic 1 to Topic 7 | | Duration Time: Mar 1st week Apr 3rd week]
- → This Week Classroom Learning: Unit 4 Topics 1-2
- → Unit 4 Focused Questions:
- → What features do structures have?
- → What makes structures fail?
- → What design choices make strong and stable structures?

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ Wednesday, March 13: Unit 4: Topics 1-2 Quiz [Tentative Date]

RESOURCES

- **★** Parent Follow-up At-home for Extra Learning Support Resources:
 - >><u>Unit 4 Student Package</u><< || >><u>Unit 4 Extra Learning Resources</u><<
- ★ Remind Code: sgr7 (Science) || @f7ahm (7C-Homeroom)
- ★ Google Classroom code:
- ★ 7A (qdboxzt)
- ★ 7B (v2aiq4r)
- ★ 7C (iitulik)
- **★** 7D (ozd3gdq)
- **★** 7E (d5nsgnn)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION GIRLS

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TOPICS

- → Soccer
 - ◆ Fair play
 - Passing
 - Kicking
 - **♦** Shooting
 - Positioning
 - ◆ Cardiovascular Health
- → Beep test

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom

PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOYS

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TOPICS

→ Cooperative Games: leadership, teamwork, cooperation and positive interactions

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Remind PE: @physedeia7

HEALTH 7A, 7C

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TOPICS

→ Being a good friend

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom Code: 2bvynt4

HEALTH 7B

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TOPICS

→ Post-Secondary Planning

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom:

HEALTH 7D

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TOPICS

→ Wellness Choices

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

HEALTH 7E

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TOPICS

→ **Goal Setting**: students will be able to Distinguish between a wish and goal. Identify what they want to accomplish (goal). • Identify how to set a S.M.A.R.T goal.

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

Remind Code: k2k7fe

ISLAMIC LEADERSHIP

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TOPICS

→ Introduction to Islamic Leadership: The vision of leadership

Islam is a religion that governs all matters including leadership. Leaders must enforce and promote justice continuously as it is been instructed in verse of Al-Qur'an: "Indeed Allah commands you to deliver the trusts to their [rightful] owners, and, when you judge between people, to judge with fairness. Excellent indeed is what Allah advises you. Indeed Allah is all-hearing, all-seeing." (An-Nisa' 4:58)

→ Hadith on Manners: Six duties of good conduct for Muslims

Abu Huraira reported: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "A Muslim has six rights over another Muslim: to greet him with peace when he is met, to answer his invitation when invited, to advise him when he seeks counsel, to bless him when he sneezes and praises Allah, to visit him when he is sick, and to follow his funeral when he dies."

Source: Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2162

→ Project planning using a SMART goals worksheet

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

- ★ The Prophet (PBUH) was an extraordinary human being spiritual leader, judge, political reformer, governor, orator and arbiter.
- ★ Movie: >> THE MESSAGE << Intended to promote interfaith understanding of Islam, it is the recounting of the life story of the Prophet Muhammad (sws).

BOARD GAMES

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TOPIC

- → Introduction to Board Games
- → Understand the variation and dynamics of the games
- → Students are going to have the opportunity to try one of the 8 different board games. They will have the responsibility to 1) understand the rules of the games and 2) develop different strategies that will allow them to be more efficient in the game.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ None

FILM

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TOPIC

→ **Blind Side**: The story of Michael Oher, a homeless and traumatized boy who became an All-American football player and first-round NFL draft pick with the help of a caring woman and her family

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

★ None

DRAMA

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TOPIC

- → Tableaux & Improv
 - ◆ Use frozen images to communicate non-verbally without hesitation.
 - Improv scenes
 - ♦ Improvise ideas using tableaux.

IMPORTANT DATES

None

RESOURCES

★ None

STEAM

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TOPICS

→ Students will start the first unit of STEAM, electronics, learning about the parts of a circuit, series and parallel circuits, and applying what they learned to build a popsicle stick home.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Google Classroom: e23ii3h

ART

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TOPICS

→ Students will start sculpting their character by first building its supportive frame.

IMPORTANT DATES

❖ None

RESOURCES

★ Remind: dffb6k4

ISLAM AWARDS CRITERIA

The 10th Annual ISLAM Awards will be held on **Friday, October 4th, 2024 (tentative)**. To be eligible to receive an award, you must be a Junior High or High School student, and you must have **no more than one discipline report and all your grades must be above 60%.**

You must attend the ceremony to get your award.

Ouran recitation Award:

Criteria for Junior High:

This award will be given to the three most successful students from each grade.

The students must meet the following criteria to receive the award:

- Students should properly memorize the Surahs, from that grade curriculum, with the tajweed rules.
- Students should know the basic provisions of tajweed.
- Students should read with correct pronunciation of the words.

Criteria for Senior High:

This award will be given to the most successful six students from High School.

The students must meet the following criteria to receive the award:

- Students should be able to recite Surat Yassin (سورة ياسين) with the tajweed rules.
- Students should know the basic provisions of tajweed.
- Students should read with correct pronunciation of the words.

Islamic Studies Award:

This award will be given to the top three achievers from each grade in Junior High (Total 9) and the top three achievers from each grade in High School. (Total of 9)

Al Muathen, Bilal Ibn Rabah Award (Boys only):

This will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High and top three achievers from High School. (Total of 6)

Khatib/Speech Award:

This will be given to the top three achievers from Junior High and top three achievers from High School. (Total of 6)

Arabic Language:

This award will be given to the top three achievers from each grade in Junior High (Total of 9) and to one from each High School Arabic course (Total of 3).

Academic:

This award will be given to the students who achieve the following:

Criteria for Junior High:

- **Honorable Mention:** requires (74.5% 79.4%) based on an average of the 4 core subjects.
- **Honors:** requires (79.5% 89.4%) based on an average of the 4 core subjects.
- **Honors with Distinction:** requires 89.5% or higher based on an average of the 4 core subjects.

These awards will be based on the students' grades encompassing **Y1 results**.

Criteria for High School:

• **Honorable Mention:** requires (74.5% - 79.4%) based on an average of 4 core subjects.

- **Honors:** requires (79.5% 89.4%) based on an average of 4 core subjects.
- **Honors with Distinction:** requires 89.5% or higher based on an average of 4 core subjects.

These awards will be based on the students' grades from the 1st and 2nd semester results. Any course taken outside the Academy will not be considered for this Award.

Diploma & AP Stars:

- The student must achieve 80% and above on the diploma exam or four and above on the AP test.
- Any diploma course taken outside the Academy will not be considered for this Award.

Top Academic:

This award will be given to the top student from each grade. One from all of grade 7, one from all of grade 8, one from all of grade 9, one from grade 10, one from grade 11, and one from grade 12 (Total of 6). The students' average will be calculated based on the four core subjects for Junior High and top four core subjects for High School.

Leadership as an Active Citizen:

This award will be given to the most successful three students from Junior High and the most successful three students from High School. (Total of 6)

Athlete of the Year Award:

This award will be given to the most successful boy and the most successful girl from Junior High (Total of 2) and the most successful boy and girl from High School (Total of 2).

EIA Profile Award:

This award will be given to a student from grade 12. The criteria for this award is found in the Student's Handbook on page 5.

Alumni Award:

The student who achieves this award must demonstrate the following:

- Giving back to the school.
- Giving back to the Muslim community.
- Giving back to the Edmonton community.
- Graduated from EIA from either Grade 9 or Grade 12.
- Volunteer minimum 50 hours.