

## KG | NEWSLETTER

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### DATES:

**Ramadan Hours:** *Effective March 3rd until Spring Break/Eid*

**Daylight Saving:** *Sunday, March 9th*

**Last Day of Classes before Spring Break:** *Friday, March 21st*

**Eid Al Fitr Break:** *Monday, March 31st and Tuesday, April 1st*

**First Day Back to School:** *Wednesday, April 2nd*

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*"The month of Ramadan [is that] in which was revealed the Qur'an, a guidance for the people and clear proofs of guidance and criterion. So whoever sights [the new moon of] the month, let him fast it; and whoever is ill or on a journey - then an equal number of other days. Allah intends for you ease and does not intend for you hardship and [wants] for you to complete the period and to glorify Allah for that [to] which He has guided you; and perhaps you will be grateful." --Surat Al-Baqarah 2:185*

## FROM YOUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Assalam Alaikum Dearest Families:

Muslims around the world are observing the sacred month of Ramadan. As the Quran states:

*"Ramadan is the month in which the Holy Quran was sent down, as a guide to mankind and a clear guidance and judgment (so that mankind will distinguish from right and wrong)." (Quran 2:183)*

During this blessed time, we have a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our family bonds and deepen our faith. Despite the challenges we may face, Allah has granted us this moment to reconnect with our loved ones and reinforce our spiritual commitments.

At ECLC our students continue to learn from their Islamic studies and homeroom teachers about the significance of Ramadan. They are encouraged to embrace the blessings of this month by engaging in charitable giving, making Du'aas and prayers and other acts of worship. To support them in this journey, we have encouraged our children to establish a schedule that accommodates their needs.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support. May this Ramadan bring peace, serenity, and countless blessings to you and your family. Please remember the school and our families in your Du'aas, especially during this sacred month.

Ms. Mariam  
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## RAMADAN and OUR LITTLE ONES:



Allah SWT says in the Qur'an,

***"Ramadan is the month in which the Qur'an was revealed , as guidance for humanity...so whoever of you witnesses the month should fast it."***

**[2:185]**

Muslims observe Ramadan by fasting throughout the month as an expression of gratitude to Allah SWT for His final revelation.

Ramadan offers a great opportunity to teach our children about its blessings and the importance of sacrifices we make. I believe it is essential for young children to engage in discussions about the purpose of Ramadan: it is performed solely for Allah to show our servitude; how it allows us to experience hunger and develop empathy for the less fortunate, and how it instills self-discipline and kindness by encouraging us to refrain from food and all bad deeds.

Our children learn that charity is not just about giving money but also about showing kindness through actions, deeds, and good manners. During Ramadan, we focus on smiling more, practicing patience, and dedicating time to helping young children, the elderly, and our neighbors.

I encourage on instilling with our children a consistent Salat habit in the and teaching them the blessings of praying in congregation. Please take time to teach them the steps and importance of performing Wudu and Salat.

During Ramadan, we talk to our children about the love and mercy from Allah SWT. We remind them of all the blessings Allah [SWT] has given us, explaining that everything we have, from our toys to our good health, comes from Allah SWT alone. We teach them about the infinite mercy, how Allah SWT continuously forgives our sins, and encourage them to reflect this mercy in their own lives. They learn to forgive, show love and compassion, and appreciate one another.

During Ramadan, we also take time to observe nature. When our children explore the intricate life of even the smallest insect, they develop a deeper appreciation for Allah's magnificent creation. The wonders of nature inspire awe and amazement, and by learning about the details of the life cycle, we nurture their love for our Creator.



## Curriculum Corner:



### ISLAMIC STUDIES:

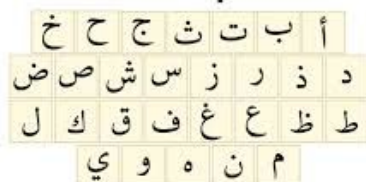
- The students will complete memorizing Surat Almasad
- The students will memorize Ayahs 1 - 3 of Surat Quraysh
- The students will learn two names of Allah SWT Al- Kabed القابض and Al-Baset - الباسط
- The students will have memorized 22 names of Allah SWT
- The students will learn the Dua'a Duaa: when looking at the mirror : Allahumma kama hassanta khalqi fahassin khuluqi
- The students will learn about our beloved prophet's PBUH best friends ( the 4 khalifas)



### ARABIC:

- The students will learn the following letters: غ Ghain; ف Faa; ق Qaf
- The students will learn vocabulary words with the letters taught in class.
- The students will read and write the letters taught in class.
- The students will review all Arabic letters taught to date.

### Arabic Alphabet

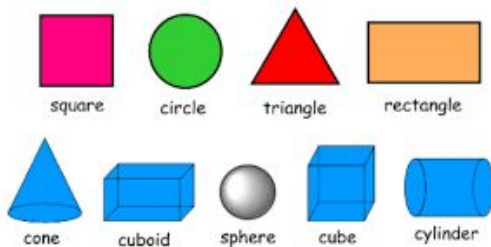


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## LANGUAGE ARTS:

- The students will be reviewing all letters/sounds taught to date.
- The students will be involved in an assessment on the letters/sounds covered to date.
- The students will be introduced to short vowel sounds in words.  
The students will learn to blend 2-3 sounds in reading short vowel words.
- The students will explore a variety of ideas and feelings represented through poetry and rhymes.
- The students will develop a greater vocabulary bank of words through a variety of literacy experiences.



## MATH:

- The students will learn the following numerals: 14, 15 and 16
- The students will properly form 14, 15 and 16
- The students will learn to subitize numbers to 5
- The students will explore 3D shapes

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## SOCIAL STUDIES:

- The students will identify places in our community.
- The students will classify familiar places in our community.
- The students will explore different leadership roles in our community including the following: Imam, Parents, Teachers.
- The students will determine rules and expectations for group activities.
- The students will develop ideas how to treat people with fairness and respect.



## SCIENCE:

- The students will understand First Nations, Metis, and Inuit ways of living connect to nature and the land.
- The students will be involved in discussions on what is personally considered to be beautiful and appreciated in nature.
- The students will understand that nature is created by Allah SWT.

# Ramadan Kindness Chart

<p>Clean my room</p> 	<p>Use kind words when speaking</p> <p>"Please"</p> <p>"Thank you!"</p> <p>"Good job!"</p>	<p>Share food with friends and neighbors</p> 	<p>Smile at a stranger</p> 
<p>Take turns playing</p> 	<p>Learn more about why I celebrate Ramadan</p> 	<p>Volunteer at a shelter</p> 	<p>Give someone I love a hug</p> 
<p>Make a Ramadan card for someone</p> 	<p>Do chores around the house</p> 	<p>Be patient</p> 	<p>Tell someone one thing you are thankful for</p> <p>I am thankful for...</p>
<p>Pick up trash in your town</p> 	<p>Help make a meal</p> 	<p>Tell someone one thing you like about them</p> <p>You are a great friend because...</p>	<p>Give toys or clothes to people who need them</p> 