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**RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SUCCESSFUL**  
leaders and contributors to society.

الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ طُوبَى لَهُمْ وَحُسْنُ مَآبٍ  
[سورة الرعد ٢٩]

Those who believe and do good, for them  
will be bliss and an honourable destination

[Surat Ar-Ra'd: 29]

## GRADE 9 | NEWSLETTER

September 25 - September 29, 2023

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY: CHATTER PROGRAM

**Deadline: September 28th, 2023**

Last Wednesday, grade 9-12 students attended a presentation about the Chatter Program. The Chatter Program is a social skills group that helps children and teens develop social communication and conversation skills. High School students who are selected into the program (volunteer peer mentors) are matched with students who are identified by their teachers as needing programming for communication and social skills (mentees). Peer mentors and mentees attend Chatter sessions which are developed and led by a team of speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, and behavior consultants. Within these sessions, peer mentors help model skills and create valuable opportunities for mentees to practice their skills. Interested students can apply using the volunteer application link below. Please direct all questions about the program to [volunteer@khancommunicationservices.com](mailto:volunteer@khancommunicationservices.com).  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSed8vp6DFjEKPhbPkaKIfbHkOPAKIrMJEFgbMb3JJM3HLuMhQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSed8vp6DFjEKPhbPkaKIfbHkOPAKIrMJEFgbMb3JJM3HLuMhQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

#### 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. If girls want to wear an extra layer, a school hoodie with the school logo is the only sweater permitted.

##### **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. No thobes or similar forms of

cultural clothing are allowed at this moment. If students want to wear an extra layer, a school hoodie with the school logo is the only sweater permitted.

***Please Note: Only School Hoodies With School Logo Are Allowed For All Junior High Students.***

# ISLAM AWARDS

Islam Awards is scheduled to take place on **September 29th, 2023**. All marks, including final exam marks, will be included when calculating averages for awards.

# 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, 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, 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 Sept 25	Tuesday Sept 26	Wednesday Sept 27	Thursday Sept 28	Friday Sept 29
Science		Topics 4-5 Quiz			
Social (9A, 9B, 9C)	3 Branches of Government Quiz			Bill to Law Quiz 9A & 9C	Bill to Law Quiz 9B
Math (9D,E)			Chapter 3 Test		Unit 1 Exam
Language Arts					
Arabic	Arabic Project Due Level 3  Spelling Test Level 2 (9A, 9B)	Spelling Test Level 2 (9C, 9D, 9E)  Vocab & reading quiz Level 4	Quran Recitation Test Level 2 (9A, 9B, 9E), Level 4 (9A, 9B, 9E)	Spelling test Level 3	Quran Recitation Test Level 2 (9C, 9D), Level 4 (9C, 9D), Level 5 (all 9s)
Islamic Studies	Quran Memorization test	Hadith Jibril quiz (Focus on Ihsan)			

## ISLAMIC STUDIES 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E

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### TOPICS

- Unit 1: Quran: Learn and Memorize Ayahs 12 to 17- Surah Al Qalam
- Unit 1: Building Ihsan and Akhlaq: Al Ihsan Concepts - Reaching Ihsan

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ Monday, September 25: Quran memorization test
- ❖ Wednesday, September 27: Hadith Jibril quiz (Focus on Ihsan)

### RESOURCES:

- ★ Google Classroom Codes:
  - 9A: v5rcb7a
  - 9B: 6cewqwj
  - 9C: cvkffin
  - 9D: o53tigx
  - 9E: 43fk57j
- ★ Remind Code: gr9islam
- ★ Quran Explorer
- ★ 40 Hadith book
- ★ Sunnah.com

## ARABIC STUDIES

Raghda Abdelqader // raghda.abdelqader@islamicacademy.ca

### Level 5: TOPICS

- Lesson 2 of Al-Hadiqah 7 textbook (جوائز عالمية)
- Read the first 12 ayat of Surat An Nur.

- Please bring 20\$ for the Arabic books.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Friday, September 29:* Quran Recitation Test Level 5 (all 9s)

## RESOURCES

- ★ Fe hadeqate Allughate Al Arabiya 7
- ★ Arabic Dictionary
- ★ Al-Hadiqa textbook/workbook
- ★ Remind code: @raghda789
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ihmt4au

# ARABIC STUDIES

Sheikh Nazih Yafi // [nazih.yafi@islamicacademy.ca](mailto:nazih.yafi@islamicacademy.ca)

## Level 4: TOPICS

- ❖ Practice reading lesson 1 في المطار in Al-Hadiqah textbook.
- ❖ Reviewing the vocab words from lesson 1 (posted on google classroom).
- ❖ Practicing classroom rules and regulations in Arabic (daily used Arabic phrases in the classroom)
- ❖ Practice reciting Surah Al-Kahf, verses 1-15.
- ❖ Please send \$20 with your child to purchase Al-Hadiqah textbook from the secondary office.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Tuesday, September 26:* Vocab and reading quiz.
- ❖ *Wednesday, September 27:* Quran recitation test on Surat Al-Kahf, verses 1-10. (Please see the “UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS” schedule above).

## RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @eia4
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ktyd3gs
- ★ Al-Hadiqah textbook - Level 4.

# ARABIC STUDIES

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## Level 3: TOPICS

- Revision of the first reading lesson from Al-Shamil book.
- محور التعارف
- Surat Yasin verses 1-10
- Please bring \$30 for the Arabic book.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Thursday, September 28:* Spelling Test

## RESOURCES

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

# ARABIC STUDIES

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## Level 2: TOPICS

- Practice reading Lesson 1 أَعْرِفْ بِنَفْسِي in the Shamil Book.
- Reviewing the spelling words from lesson 1(words on notebooks, duatangs) Book pg on GC.
- Practicing classroom rules and regulations in Arabic (daily used Arabic phrases in the classroom)
- Practice reciting Surah Al Mulk 1-9
- Please send 30\$ with your child to purchase Al- Shamil Textbook Level 2 from the secondary office.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Monday, September 25:* Spelling test (9A, 9B)
- ❖ *Tuesday, September 26 :* Spelling test (9C, 9D, 9E)

- ❖ *Wednesday, September 27:* Quran Recitation Test Al Mulk Ayahs 1-6 (9A, 9B, 9E)
- ❖ *Friday, September 29:* Quran Recitation Test Al Mulk Ayahs 1-6 (9C, 9D)

## RESOURCES

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

## MATH 9D, 9E

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### TOPICS: Chapter 3 (Exponents)

- Chapter 3.3 - Order of Operations
- Chapter 3.4 - Using Exponents to Solve Problems

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, September 27:* Chapter 3 Test
- ❖ *Friday, September 29:* Unit 1 Test

## RESOURCES

- ★ MathLinks 9 Textbook
- ★ Remind Code: @mahfouz9
- ★ Google Classroom Code: zhhbsb4
- ★ <https://courses.lumenlearning.com/suny-beginalgebra/>
- ★ <https://ca.ixl.com/math/grade-9>
- ★ <https://questaplus.alberta.ca/>
- ★ <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

## ENGLISH 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E

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### TOPICS:

- How do we correct run-on sentences & comma splices?
- What are some reading comprehension Strategies we can use?

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom Codes:
- ★ 9A: 5dpnqoq
- ★ 9B: nytyj2e
- ★ 9C: 2coymyb
- ★ 9D: nb4ufqy
- ★ 9E: wzzrtix
- ★ Remind: msb9d

## SOCIAL 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E

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### TOPICS

- Students will examine the Structure of Canada's Federal political system
- Explain the entire process of how a bill becomes a law.
- Explain and demonstrate the relationship and roles of the three branches of government, especially in terms of federal laws and the constitution.
- Identify to whom the MP's and Senators are accountable, and the degree to which they are accountable.
- Explain the role of political parties within Canada's federal political system.
- Explain the role of the media in relation to political issues, as well as citing examples of different media doing this.
- Explain and recognize how lobby groups impact government decision making.
- Explain and defend their position on the extent of political and legislative processes meeting the needs of all Canadians

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Monday, September 25:* Three branches of government Quiz
- ❖ *Wednesday, September 27:* Bills to Law Quiz
- ❖ *Friday, September 29:* chapter 1 political party project

## RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom Codes:
- ★ 9A: qhng4af
- ★ 9B: ludhajz
- ★ 9C: ukizser
- ★ Remind: soceia

## SCIENCE 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E

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## TOPICS: BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

- Topic 6: The Best Selection
- Topic 7: The Sixth Extinction
- Topic 8: Pains and Gains

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Tuesday, September 26:* Topic 4-5 Quiz

## RESOURCES

- ★ Science Focus 9 textbook (digital copies on Google Classroom)
- ★ Science Notes Package
- ★ Science Notebook
- ★ Remind Code: @mssci9
- ★ Google Classroom Code: 26j3tj6
- ★ Test Preparation: <https://questaplus.alberta.ca/>

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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## TOPICS

- Cross Country
  - ◆ Running 1 mile
  - ◆ Cardiovascular health
  - ◆ Endurance jogging
  - ◆ Relay races
  - ◆ Quick recovery
  - ◆ Beep test

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ *None*

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOYS

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## TOPICS

- Cross-Country : short distance interval training

## RESOURCES

- ★ Remind PE: @9eiape
- ★ Remind Athletics: @eiajhsport

## HEALTH 9C

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### TOPICS: NUTRITION AND HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES

Students will be:

- developing strategies that promote healthy nutritional choices for self and others;
- using knowledge of a healthy, active lifestyle to promote and encourage family/peer/community involvement
- assessing the quality and reliability of health information provided by different sources; e.g., on the Internet
- analyzing how positive health habits can be supported by a variety of approaches to health practices and treatments;

### IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Code: @mshealth9
- ★ Google Classroom Code: oegdcd6

## HEALTH 9A, 9D, 9E

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### TOPICS

- Wellness Choices
- Students will make responsible and informed choices to maintain health and to promote safety for self and others.
- Positive health habits & Effect of Smoking

### IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind codes:
  - 9A-9D-9E Code: ch983e

## HEALTH 9B

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### TOPICS

- Why do we need to be physically active and fit?
- How do we keep ourselves physically fit?
- What are some good strategies?

### IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom code: schol7f
- ★ Remind code: heia9

## BOARD GAMES

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### TOPICS

- 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*



## FOODS

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### TOPICS

- Learn Kitchen Basics
- Cook and Bake
- Thumbprint Cookies

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Every Friday:* Please bring tupperware to take your food home.

### RESOURCES

- ★ *Given to students at class*

## FILM

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### TOPICS

- Queen Of Katwe: A true story of Phiona Mutesi, who started playing chess to get out of Kampala's slums.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ *None*

## DRAMA

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### TOPICS

- Orientation

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ *None*

## STEAM

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### TOPICS

- Students will make a small 3D printed object that completes a useful function of their choice

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: h3qr6yz

## ART

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### TOPICS

- Students will be exploring tone through mark making using scratch paper.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*



RESOURCES

★ Remind code: dcf8ab