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

قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ:  
لَا يُؤْمِنُ أَحَدُكُمْ حَتَّى يُحِبَّ لِأَخِيهِ مَا يُحِبُّ لِنَفْسِهِ  
[صحيح البخاري]

The Prophet PBUH said:  
None of you will have faith till he wishes for his  
(Muslim) brother what he likes for himself  
[Sahih Al-Bukhari]

## GRADE 8 | NEWSLETTER

November 13 - November 17, 2023

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

November 13 - November 17

#### M1 REPORTS

Tuesday, November 14

Please be advised that M1 Report Cards will be sent home Tuesday, November 14th.

#### PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Wednesday, November 15

School photo retakes are scheduled for Wednesday, November 15th. Students who were absent when the first set of photos was taken in October are asked to please ensure that they take their picture at this time. Students who had their first picture taken and want a retake are also welcome to take their photo on this day. This will be the last opportunity this school year to retake a school photo. Please ensure that you come to school well-groomed and in your full proper uniform for your photo session.

#### PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thursday, November 16 (2:30pm - 6:30pm)

Friday, November 17 (8:00pm - 4:00pm)

Please be aware that Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, November 16th and Friday, November 17th. A link to book your appointment will be emailed to you.

## NO SCHOOL

**Friday, November 17**

There will be no school for junior high students on Friday, November 17th.

## 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.

# 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<br>Nov 13                          | Tuesday<br>Nov 14 | Wednesday<br>Nov 15 | Thursday<br>Nov 16 | Friday<br>Nov 17 |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Social Studies  |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Science         |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Math            |   |                   | 6.5-6.6 Quiz        |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Language Arts   |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Arabic          | Vocabulary and<br>Reading Quiz<br>Level 4 |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Islamic Studies |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Quran           |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |
| Health          |   |                   |                     |                    | NO SCHOOL        |

## ISLAMIC STUDIES 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Imran Qureshi // [imran.qureshi@islamicacademy.ca](mailto:imran.qureshi@islamicacademy.ca)

### TOPICS: UNIT 2

- Lesson 10 (Unit 2 / Week 2 / Lesson 3): Challenge of irreligious world

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

### RESOURCES

- ★ Reminder Code: @4dg7cf4
- ★ Google classroom link: k5itlxf

## QURAN STUDIES

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

### TOPICS

- Please practice memorizing Surat Al-Ma'arij, verses 24 - 32.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ None

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code: @quran-8
- ★ Google Classroom Code: cq3dunv

## ARABIC STUDIES

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

### Level 4: TOPICS

- Practice reading lesson 5 اختيار الأصدقاء in Al-Hadiqah textbook.
- Reviewing the vocab words from lesson 5 (posted on google classroom).

- Reviewing the grammar, page 30.
- Practice reciting Surah Al-Kahf, verses 22-26.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Monday, November 13: Vocab and reading quiz on lesson 4, page 20.*

## RESOURCES

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

## ARABIC STUDIES

Karine Kheireddine // karine.kheireddine@islamicacademy.ca

### Level 3: TOPICS

- Comprehension questions: أفراد الأسرة
- (روابط الاستدراك (لكن - على الرغم من - مع أن
- Oral reading test every 10 minutes of every block throughout the week.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

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

## ARABIC STUDIES

Raghda Abdelqader // raghda.abdelqader@islamicacademy.ca

### Level 3: TOPICS

- Comprehension questions: أفراد الأسرة
- (روابط الاستدراك (لكن - على الرغم من - مع أن
- Oral reading test every 10 minutes of every block throughout the week.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ Al-Hadiqa textbook/workbook
- ★ Remind code: @raghda789
- ★ Google Classroom Code: ihmt4au

## ARABIC STUDIES JUNIOR HIGH

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### Level 2: TOPICS

- New Lesson(Lesson 5) Description of House وَصْفُ الْمَسْكَنِ pg. 38.
- Answer Lesson questions pgs. 39-41.
- Learning about الأضداد (Opposites) + worksheet.
- Practice vocabulary words for lesson 5 العِبَارَاتِ الْأَسَاسِيَّةِ 5.
- Practice reading ayahs 15-21, Surat Al Mulk.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

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

## ENGLISH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Hoda Tarrabain // hoda.tarrabain@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS:

- Poem presentations: Mother to Son poem response
  - ◆ (presenting is optional for bonus mark)
- Begin Short Story Unit

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Codes for parents and/or students to join:
  - 8A @779266d
  - 8B @fdff9323
  - 8C @8cenglishm
  - 8D @8dengli
  - 8E @8eenglis
- ★ Google Classroom code for students to join:
  - Google classroom link
  - Link: aczdmod

## SOCIAL STUDIES 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

Kassia Zahoui // kassia.zahoui@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS

- Unit 1: How Did the Exchange of Ideas and Knowledge During the Renaissance Shape the Worldviews of the Western World?
- Chapter 2: Italian City-states and the Spread of the Renaissance

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom code: mr1o3w2
- ★ Remind code: ss8zahoui

## MATH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

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### TOPICS

- Chapters 6: Fraction Operation

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *Wednesday, November 15: 6.5-6.6 Quiz*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8A: @eia8amath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8B: @eia8bmath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8C: @eia8cmath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8D: @eia8dmath
- ★ Remind Code for Grade 8E: @eia8emath
- ★ Google Classroom Codes: To join Google classroom, click on the link that corresponds with your classroom: 8 (A,B,C,D,E): [Grade 8 Google Classroom](#)

## SCIENCE 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

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### TOPICS

- Unit Exam Review
- Introduction to cells and systems

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: (8A: i77u262)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8B: 2qxxyo)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8C: m2hs3ek)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8D: kv43g3h)
- ★ Google Classroom: (8E: synndqf)
- ★ Remind (all science 8): @haysci8

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION GIRLS

Shanya Shwetz // shanya.shwetz@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS

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

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION BOYS

Billal Hajji // billal.hajji@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS

- Basketball: the fundamentals of the game

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind PE: @8eiape

## HEALTH 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E

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### TOPICS

- Students will understand how to manage stress and anxiety. Develop resilience and self-determination to overcome procrastination and obstacles. Be empowered to take ownership and deal with uncertainty.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

### RESOURCES

- ★ Remind code:
- ★ All grade 8 Health : allgrade8h

## SPORT HISTORY

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### TOPICS

- Rugby

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ *None*

## FOODS

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### TOPICS

- Learn Kitchen Basics
- Cook and Bake
- Spaghetti and Garlic Butter Sauce

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ Given to students at Options Class

## FILM

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### TOPIC

- **The 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

Nadine Kassab // nadine.kassab@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS

- Tableaux
  - ◆ Use movement to communicate non-verbally.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ *None*

## STEAM

Isaiah Ling // isaiah.ling@islamicacademy.ca

### TOPICS

- Students learn about and build parallel and series circuits

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

- ★ Google Classroom: 4hnloac

## ART

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### TOPICS

- Students will be completing their Palestine collage painting.

## IMPORTANT DATES

❖ *None*

## RESOURCES

★ Remind code: ch899g