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Message from the Principal

**Dear parents, staff, and students:
As-Salamu `Alaykum,**

In Shaa Allah you receive this letter in the strongest of Iman and best of health, Aameen.

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of introduction to you as the newly appointed acting principal of Iqra International School. I feel truly honoured to take up this role. I have been a part of the Iqranian community right from its first year of inception. I am a lifetime educator who has 18 years of educational experience spanning Senior grades with science & social, administration and leadership. I am excited to bring my skills as an educational leader to Iqra International School and to work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success.

Before being a principal, I served in a variety of teaching and educational leadership roles over the past 18 years. Some of the roles I have held include classroom teacher, literacy coach/staff developer, Vice-Principal, School improvement administrator and also been an advisor to the UNESCO club for three years.

Our beloved former Principal Mrs Rubeena Mozaffar Jafri relocated to Kuwait. She will be working remotely for Iqra and will always be a part of Iqra. We wish her the very best both professionally and personally. She has been an indispensable part of our team - we know she will continue to do well and achieve major milestones, In Shaa Allah!

I believe that great schools are the results of great teachers, so my primary objective will be to ensure that every student is receiving high-quality instruction from every teacher at IIS. In order to do this, I will be providing teachers with feedback on their instruction, access to professional development, and reaching out to parents for support with academic and behavioural concerns to ensure our students are prepared for their future.

I will be working closely with our Director Mrs Noor Ayesha, our Academic Dean Mrs Ashha Khairi Ahmed and our HOD-QIAS Dr Arshya Anjum, to continue the legacy of success established at Iqra International School by building strong relationships with parents, students, staff, and community partners. I anticipate a most successful year as my team and I support the Islamic, academic, social, and emotional growth of your child here at Iqra and guarantee that all of our teachers are intellectually challenged and have access to the social and emotional support critical to students during the school needs In Shaa Allah .

During the course of the year, it is my hope that we will work together to provide the students of Iqra the best possible Islamic and academic education while preparing them to be caring and responsible Indian citizens ready to give back to the community and our country at large. As Principal, I welcome your inputs. Please feel free to stop in by taking an appointment to discuss any concerns, suggestions, or ideas to help make this the best year In Shaa Allah.

Alternatively send me an email directly at principal@iisb.co

Wasalaam,

Sr Raziya Sultana
Acting Principal and former Vice Principal
Iqra International School

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Hadith of the Month

Ibn `Abbas (May Allah ﷺ be pleased with him and his father) reported that Rasoolullah ﷺ said: "There are no days in which righteous deeds are more beloved to Allah ﷻ than these ten days." The people asked, "Not even Jihad for the sake of Allah ﷻ?" He said, "Not even Jihad for the sake of Allah ﷻ, except in the case of a man who went out, giving himself and his wealth up for the cause (of Allah), and came back with nothing." (Al-Bukhari)

Olympiads

The esteemed Olympiad exams will begin soon! The first exam is NCO (computers) and is scheduled on the 8th of October. Parents are requested to help their child prepare well for the examination by taking assistance from the books issued to them. Make your child practice the sample papers available on www.sofworld.org or www.facebook.com/sofworld. Just In case you haven't purchased the books, you may place the order on www.mtg.in

Visit to the Planetarium

It is natural for us to give credit to astronauts for knowing much more about the sky, scientists for such huge machineries, mechanisms of different pullies, steam engines, forces etc., As a part of the class activity our grade 3, 4 & 5 visited the planetarium . This was an informative experience for the students as they could observe and listen to the interesting facts about space(where they experienced a real view of the space. There were many Black Holes, Galaxies, space showers, meteorites etc.), astronomers, telescopes and solar system. A detailed description of each planet, surface, atmosphere, rotation, revolution, duration of days and nights was shown. The children also learned about stars and the constellations formed by them in the night sky. When they came back from the trip they illustrated whatever they found interesting in the planetarium. It was altogether a memorable experience for the students.- **Taihyata Mulla**



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Visit to the Fire Station

Apparently, it's quite common for young children to run away, or even hide, from fire fighters when called to their homes in emergency situations. So as far as the fire department is concerned, the primary reason for entertaining Iqranians is to familiarize them with the reality of fire fighters, and to help them understand that even if they look frightening in their turn-out suits, helmets and oxygen masks, they are in fact just regular folks underneath it all. And so the students of grade 2, were taken to the fire station. There was a mock fire drill performed by the fire fighters which was worth the watch.

Nazeema Tabassum



Visit to the Grocery Store

The tiny tots of LKG from IJ & IJ were taken to a small yet educational field trip - Grocery Store. The children were excited to tell the names of the fruits and vegetables as read in their classes and it was easy for them to identify the names of all the fruits and vegetables, the children could identify the seasonal fruits: summer fruits like-mango, watermelon, orange. Winter fruits like apples, banana, berries, strawberries etc. Children were allowed to touch the fruits and vegetables as they were fresh, they could close their eyes smell and feel their texture. They got to see the storage room, freezer, cooler, meat packaging area, and prepared foods area. This gave the students the opportunity to learn the mechanism of the grocery store in their very own neighbourhood. Many students were surprised and excited to see what goes on behind the scenes. Showing the students that the grocery store could be an additional learning environment was a great way to connect our school and community.

-Ayesha Siddiqua



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Theme Of The Month

The theme of the month for the month of August was **Inter-Faith**. We had students enthusiastically preparing charts, speeches, aayah from the Qura'an, AHadeeth to present their beautiful ideas! At the end of the month we had role plays from students of grade 4 and 5 displaying the meaning of inter faith. Through this theme, the students learned to respect people of other faith and to live in harmony with them. - **Bushra Khayyum**

Rainbow Week

Colors have always been a mesmerizing blessing of Allah ﷻ. We all know they are beautiful to look at but they can also be used to inspire creativity in our children and thoughtfully the IJ section had organized rainbow week for the little Iqranians. The entire week was followed with different days of colors. It enlightened the students and made them aware of the different types of colors and shades. Our children will never fail to remember the colors after exploring colors in different ways . The main aim of rainbow week was to imbibe in the students the knowledge of colors. -**Muthahira Begum**



DATES TO REMEMBER

19 th September	Parent Teacher Meet
21 st September	"Let's Clean" - IIS
24 th - 27 th September	Eid-UL-Adha Holidays (School Re-Opens on 28 th)
30 th September	Sciensation Quiz-1 st level
3 rd October	Eid Party
8 th October	National Cyber Olympiad Exam

Wasalaam
Yours in the service of Islam
Management & Staff
Iqra International School

ISLAMIC TRIVIA

Question for this Month- "In which Surah (Chapter) of the Qur'an Bismillah is repeated twice?"

Answer to last Month's Trivia- " MuraQaQ "