



Please remember to call the school office before 8:45 a.m whenever your child is absent. Please mention your child's name, grade and the reason for his/her absence

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Message from the Director

Dear parents, staff, and students:

As-Salamu `Alaykum,

Congratulations on the accomplishment of Iqrathon, our first Sports Meet! What an event it was! Alhumdulillah.

Hope you all had a relaxed winter break, well deserved after a busy term full of accomplishments and successes.

During this past month, we continued emphasizing guided reading as well as creative and expository writings in all grades.

After the successful completion of the CIDTT training our teachers are now exploring different strategies to differentiate instruction in order to help each student work at his/her full potential. ITARI will soon be doing follow ups to observe teachers during classes to assess the outcome of the training.

As for school wide activities, the month of January has been designated as the school 'Respect for all Faiths' month; several activities and presentations are dedicated for this purpose.

In addition many other activities are featured in this issue. From all of us here at IIS, please accept our best regards and wishes.

Wasalaam
Noor Ayesha
Director

Hadith of the Month

Narrated Anas: The Prophet (p.b.u.h.) said, "The real patience is at the first stroke of a calamity."

Sahih Al-Bukhari – Book 23 Hadith 389

Don't get glued!

It is important that children do not spend time only in front of the TV or with computer games. Both TV and computer programs can be of immense benefits and pleasure for children if they are pre-selected by parents and time spent with these electronic devices are closely supervised. In spite of the persistent cold wet weather, children should still get the chance to be outdoors regularly.

Help your child by selecting a good book, an age appropriate jigsaw puzzle or a neat board game to share among siblings or neighbours.

Burooj Islamic Quiz

Our Grade 1 and 2 students will be attending the Burooj Inter-School Islamic Quiz Contest on Sunday January 13th Insha-Allah.

December TOM

The December theme of the month was not held as we broke for winter vacations. Insha-Allah the same will be held in January.

If you have a change of address or phone number please inform the School Admin immediately

Iqrathon

Our very 1st Sports Meet was Commendable! JazakAllah Khair to our talented students, staff and all our parents for all their tremendous efforts to make this event a huge success. The event was so colorful and did not seem like our first! MashaAllah, the great feedback from the guests, advisory board members, parents and their families kept pouring from everywhere. Our staff's team effort was commendable and brilliantly portrayed. Keep it up ladies!

Asma ul Husna and Qirat Competition

Parents please push your children to practice as much as possible for these competitions as they are soon approaching.

Inter-Faith Project

Our children have been working on various projects to make their peers understand that Islam is a very tolerant religion and as Muslims we should respect all faiths and promote brotherhood.

Punctuality Week

Punctuality Week is a contest created to see which class has a perfect attendance record during the end part of this month. The reason behind this contest is to teach our students the importance of being on time, because being on time applies to us at school, in universities, on the job, and being on time for our daily prayers. By having this healthy competition, it will Insha-Allah motivate our students to work harder to get to school on time. Also, the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) taught us to always be on time for our prayers, so being on time is a value of Islam and we should all be able to be on time for anything in our lives.

Dates to Remember

January 6 th	Iqrathon – The Annual Sports Meet
January 13 th	Burooj Inter-School Islamic Quiz Contest - Grade 1 & 2 (Feroze Estate, Cunningham Rd)
January 14 th	Inter-Faith Project Presentations
January 18 th	Spellathon
January 31 st	Theme of the Month Event

Wasalaam Alaikum
Yours in the service of Islam
Management
Iqra International School

Islamic Trivia

Who amongst the Mothers of Believers was nicknamed “Umm ul-Masakeen” (Mother of the Poor)?

Answer to last month's Trivia – Battle of Uhud