



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:

Assalamu Alaikum,

Welcome to our first issue of the 2nd Term IIS Newsletter! Alhamdulillah, the 2nd term has been unfolding quite smoothly and yet, we have managed to fully immerse our students into the curriculum and have begun a variety of activities.

Currently, our teachers are undergoing the Cambridge International Diploma for teachers and trainers (CIDTT) training, which will help them better plan and cater to the specific needs of their students according to the IGCSE requirements. Parents who are interested to join this training may contact the front office for more information.

As part of our literacy program, all students in Grades 1- 2 read daily for 15-30 minutes and the Kindergarten students will soon be joining. The grades 1 and 2 classes have already been signed up to the "IIS Reads" program and I would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of the individuals who have volunteered to help with this initiative.

Our students are also taking full advantage of the school library, which is up and running smoothly.

In the extracurricular activities department, our students are getting ready for the Annual Educational Fair to be held on the 17th of November, InshaAllah. Parents are invited for this event.

Lastly, our School Sports Day is tentatively scheduled to be held in December. InshaAllah

Wasalaam
Noor Ayesha
Director

IIS Educational Fair

Parents are welcome to attend this event and witness the blooming creativity at IIS. It will be held at the school on the 17th of November.

100 Steps to Jannah

Class projects are slowly being completed and classrooms and hallways are getting decorated with students' work. Share your child's enthusiasm about these projects. Come and enjoy them during the Parent Teacher Meeting.

2nd Term Uniform Checks

To be carried out soon. Please refer to Parent/Student Handbook inserted in your child's agenda for a full description of all uniform items.

Pick up/ Drop

Parents please ensure that your children are picked up from school on time. On several occasions the teachers have waited along with the children for more than an hour after the school timings. We do not encourage leaving the children alone with the security personnel. Therefore, please make sure there is no delay.

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

Theme of the Month(October) event - Hajj Presentation

This enactment was held on November 2nd, 2012. Congratulations to all our teachers and students who put up a great show MashaAllah! It was very well attended and supervised by our teachers. The props, the actors, the script were excellent! Each grade - from Montessori to Grade 2 - was given an assignment and all the teachers collaborated to make this event a highlight of the first term. The LKG and UKG student's rendition of the nasheed "We are all going on the Hajj", "Labbaik Allahumma Labbaik" and "Mountains of Makkah" was just adorable.

Hajj Quiz

The spirits were high and the competition was tough to judge. Yet, the sapphire team stole the show! It was a commendable performance by grade 1 and 2. MashaAllah!

Eid ul Adha Celebrations

Festivity was throughout the school on November 2nd, with children running around in festive clothes and the smell of delicious food everywhere. The staff and the children all had a wonderful time. Alhumdulillah!

**Visit our facebook page to view the beautiful pictures of the performance @ www.facebook.com/IqraInternationalSchool*

Term 2 Islamic Studies Program Events

Al-Asma Ul-Husna Learning Program

Different targets to win medals at different grade level. Please help your child to earn one! InshaAllah, students are encouraged to continue on this personal journey until they learnt all the 99 Names of Allah. Details of award levels were mentioned in the previous newsletter. Testing of achievement levels will take place in February 2013 with awards presented soon after during the Annual Day. More information will be made available to parents of medal recipients later InshaAllah.

Quran competition

Quran competition with finalist selection will be held in January 2013 and Final Competition is tentatively set for February 2013. If you are still not sure whether your child is ready to join this competition, please help your child prepare over the Winter Break.

The categories are:

- ✓ **LKG** - Surah Al-Fatiha & An-Nas to Al-Masad
- ✓ **UKG** - Surah Al-Fatiha & An-Nas to Al-Maun
- ✓ **Grade 1** - Surah Al-Fatiha & An-Nas to Al-Humazah
- ✓ **Grade 2** - Surah Al-Fatiha & An-Nas to Az-Zalzalah

Islamic Trivia

Who are the FIVE prophets whom Allah informed of their coming before they were born?

Answer to last month's Trivia – Al-Baqarah

Diaries

Each student Grades 1 to 2 received one at the start of the school year. This is an important tool to help children to stay organized and for communication between home and school. Please check and sign your child's diary daily to monitor homework and for home-school communication. You will also find the school calendar and quick reference section of the Parent/Teacher Handbook too. Replacements are available from the school office for Rs 225 each.

Cambridge International Diploma for Teachers and Trainers(CIDTT)

All our main and assistant teachers are going through the CIDTT training in preparation to handle the IGCSE curriculum. This training is being conducted by Indus Training and Research Institute (ITARI). Parents are welcome to join this training. Please contact our front office immediately for further details as very few seats are available. Also go through the ITARI website to know more about CIDTT http://itari.in/cie_diplomat.asp

About CIDTT

The Cambridge International Diploma for Teachers and Trainers (CIDTT) is a practice-based qualification for ongoing professional development. It is offered by the Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), UK and is a professional teacher certification recognized in 140 countries. The Diploma is intended for full-time or part-time teachers in educational establishments, training organizations and companies. The Diploma is designed to be flexible, so that candidates from a variety of teaching environments have equal opportunity to pursue this course and enhance their academic insight, teaching skills and knowledge of pedagogy.

Hadith of the Month

Abu Hurayrah (peace be upon him) relates that the Prophet Mohammed (peace be upon him) said, "For him who embarks on the path of seeking knowledge, Allah will ease for him the way to paradise." (Related by Muslim)

Dates to Remember

November 17 th	Educational Fair	*Tentative
November 19 th	Field Trip to the Post Office - UKG & Grade 1	*Tentative
November 23 rd	Field Trip to the Fire Station - UKG	*Tentative
November 30 th	Theme of the Month Event	

Wassalaam Alaikum

Yours in the service of Islam
Management
Iqra International School

Monthly Quote

"Discipline must come through liberty. We do not consider an individual disciplined when he has been rendered as artificially silent as a mute and as immovable as a paralytic. He is an individual annihilated, not disciplined."

- Dr. Maria Montessori on Discipline