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In the name of Allah, the Compassionate, the Merciful



RAMADAN

Mesha'Allah, many of our students fasted Ramadan while attending both regular school and Arabic School. Even our youngest students fasted at least part of the days of Ramadan. May Allah accept their fasts and grant them good rewards.

Many thanks to those of you who donated Zakat al Mal to the Arabic School. Insha'Allah, your greatly-appreciated donations will help fund many necessary improvements. Jazaqomallachair.

A HAPPY 'EID

The Arabic School cordially invited the community to share our 'Eid al Fitr celebration in Fowler Middle School from 2-4:30 P.M. on Sunday, November 14. Alhamdulillah, we estimate that nearly 350 students, family members, and friends joined our celebration. We thank you all for blessing our celebration with good company and joy.

We kindly thank our donors and volunteers for your generous contributions of time, energy, and money which made our celebration possible.

We extend a very warm and special thanks to Um Nizar and her helpers for the countless



Mediterranean sweets that they painstakingly made by hand for our 'Eid celebration. Yes - they were homemade, though they looked as though they came straight out of a professional bakery! Mesha'Allah!

We also thank the members of our Celebration Planning Committee - Jamal Tarhoni, Jamal Zaghab, Izat Dewaik, Yahya Zaidan, and Osama Alattar -for their great effort in planning the 'Eid celebration.

BACK TO SCHOOL

On Friday, November 19, 2004, we welcomed our students back to regular classes, marking the end of the 'Eid al Fitr vacation. We're now back on our regular schedule: MWF 6-8 P.M.

Our Friday Sports Program has resumed as well, so students may wear sports clothes to class and join in the fun from 8-9 P.M. each Friday night after classes.

MIDTERM EXAMS

Insha'Allah, the midterm exams will start on Wednesday, December 1, 2004. We ask Allah to help all of our students to prepare well and to do their very best on all their exams.



TIPS FOR TEACHING ARABIC



Your time and effort are essential for your child to successfully master the Arabic language. To help your child learn Arabic:

1. Always speak Arabic at home.
2. Regularly practice Quran recitation with your child. This improves your child's pronunciation and enriches his or her vocabulary.
3. Be sure that your child pronounces glottal letters correctly. Remind him or her that it gets easier with practice.
4. Encourage your child to speak Arabic whenever possible, especially with friends and family. A helpful rule of thumb is: "Speak Arabic with Arabic-speaking people."
5. Never mix Arabic and English. If your child uses an English word in an Arabic sentence, verbally replace it with the correct Arabic word.
6. Always make sure your child's Arabic homework is completed and corrected before he or she turns it in. Help your child to understand and memorize all the new words he or she encounters in each lesson.

~ We ask Allah to protect our children and to make them righteous offspring ~