



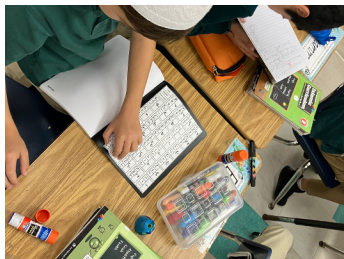
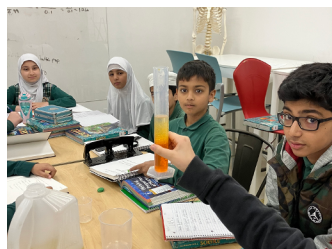
# Ilm Academy

OCTOBER 2023



## Assalam Alaikum Warahmatulahi Wabarakatuhu,

Alhumdulillah we are beginning our sixth week of school and are very excited to see students getting well adjusted to school routines. It is a blessing to see the hustle and bustle along with the learning and academic growth across our campus. We are now at full capacity and are looking forward to supporting all of our students in their learning experiences.



### Parent Teacher Conferences

We want to thank all the parents who attended orientation and parent teacher conferences. It was a pleasure to meet with you all. We appreciate all the positive feedback and feedback about areas that we can improve on. Our continued focus is to provide the best resources that benefit our students.

### PSAT /NMSQT

Alhumdulillah our 10th and 11th graders took the PSAT/NMSQT on Oct 2nd. We will be offering the PSAT 8/9 for our 8th and 9th graders in the week of March 4th 2024, InshaAllah. These exams give our students opportunity to apply for merit based scholarships. It is mandatory for all students to take these exams, so please ensure that your child is not absent.

### SAT

Our 11th grade students will be taking the SAT exams on October 11th, 2023 and in Spring of 2024, InshaAllah.

### First Trimester Final Exams

First Trimester final exams are scheduled for the first and second week of November. It is mandatory for students to take the exams in person. Please ensure that your child does not miss these days. Deeniyat exams are scheduled Nov 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 7th. All other subjects are scheduled for Nov 9th, 10th, 13th, 14th.

### Health and Safety Guidelines

Parents are kindly reminded that the flu season is almost here. Since an ounce of precaution is better than a ton of cure, we urge you to make sure that children are dressed warmly in the morning, eating healthy, resting adequately, and have taken their flu shots.

Updated vaccination cards for **kindergarten and 7th grade** are due for submission to the school. Please submit the cards if you have not done so already no later than October 10th.

### School Uniform for winter

Please make sure your children are dressing for the cold weather. They should be wearing the school cardigan. We have a few cardigans that are available for free that have been found in the lost and found bins. They can be washed and reused. Please label your child's cardigan with their names so it does not get lost or misplaced.

### Upcoming events in the month of October:

#### Bake Sale - A Charity Event

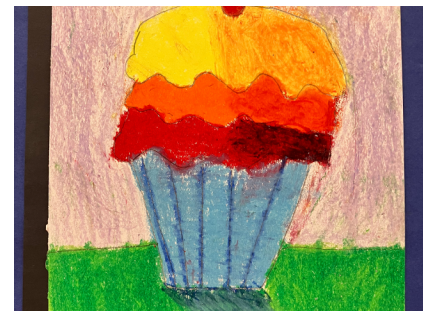
Ilm Academy is organizing a bake sale on October 6th to raise funds for the victims of natural disasters in Morocco and Libya. We look forward to seeing all parents and students participate in doing what we can towards the relief efforts for these communities. 100% of the funds raised will be donated to support the relief efforts. Please invite your friends and family members. Lets come together to make it successful, InshaAllah!

### **Speech Assembly**

The annual speech assembly is scheduled for October 19th and 20th. The objective of the speech assembly is to give our students the opportunity to build confidence in their ability to express their ideas in front of an audience.

### **School Student Council Elections**

All classes K-4 are currently in the process of nominating class ambassadors for their grade levels. MS/HS grades are nominating candidates for the Student Council offices of President, Vice President, General Secretary, and Treasurer. Students who wish to run for these positions must have displayed responsibility and academic excellence in their classes. Nominated candidates are also required to submit short speeches as to why they feel they are the best candidates to hold the position. Nominated students are encouraged to make posters for themselves and post in designated school areas for their election campaign. The final elections will be held on 24th October, InshaAllah.



### **School Lunch Program**

Inshallah, we will be starting the lunch program from October 18th, twice a month. Lunch order forms will be sent home a few days before. Please sign and return the forms by the due date. We are very appreciative of the efforts of the PTA to bring the Hot Lunch program for our students.

### **Debate Club**

Our debate is back in action. Mashaallah, our 8th graders have begun putting together debate presentations. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to build research, reasoning and public speaking skills. It is organized and run by the students who did an exceptional job last year. The first debate will be held on October 27th.

### **Recycling Club**

Our Middle school students have started a recycling club to help save the environment. They will be leading the way in ensuring that everyone at school is being mindful of reducing waste and recycling. They will be educating the entire school about ways to recycle and ways to protect the environment by reducing our carbon foot print.

### **Important Dates**

***Oct 6th Bake Sale - A Charity Event***

***Oct 18th School Lunch Program***

***Oct 19th & 20th Speech Assembly***

***Oct 24th Student Council Elections***

***Oct 27th Debate Club Presentation***