



IQRA Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

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February 21 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Assalamu Alaikum

House Captain

This week we awarded our 7 new House Captains at our whole school assembly on Monday. Congratulations to the following students who will represent their house for the year:

Responsibility House - Ahmed Abdisater

Respect for Self, Others House - Leen Al-Badry

Taqwah House - Alia Mukhtar

Excellence House - Rayyan Quazi

Confidence in Self, Faith and Learning House -Raidah Intungane

Acceptance & Tolerance House - Zunairah Kaiyum

Care for Self and Others and Environment House - Faris Al-Saudi

It is exciting to have a real student voice that our wonderful House Captains will contribute to. Our Student Council is growing and we know that Year 4,5 children can put their hand up to be a Deputy House Captain for each house. This vote will happen on Monday 3 March in week 3 house meeting. We look forward to more leadership opportunities for students to put their hand up for going forward.



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Second Hand Uniform Shop

The school will be starting a Second Hand Uniform shop for parents who may like to sell the uniforms that their child has grown out of but is still in good condition. More information will come home about this, please stay tuned and collect all the uniforms that don't fit! If you are interested in helping run this for the school please contact the principal at leanne.chartrand@iqra.school.nz.

Students Goal Booklet

A goal setting booklet will go home with specific goals of your child, goals the teacher has for the child and goals the special character teacher has for the child. Please sign and return this with your child to school. These goals will be reflected on in the Term 1, week 8 reports. The Parent/Teacher interviews at the end of Term 1 will be a chance for a discussion on how these goals are going and further next steps.



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Iqra School Upcoming Events

There are some exciting fundraisers events coming up at Iqra School this term.

Hunger ball 23 Feb



On **February 23, 2025** (Sunday) there will be a soccer tournament and Hunger ball (+ food sales) session this day. Mr. Anzar has provided information to the community about how to register for this amazing event so you don't miss out. If you are not currently registered on a team please contact Mr. Anzar.



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Iftar Nights 13th & 14th March

On Thursday **13 March** and Friday **14 March** we will hold our annual **Ramadan- Auction/ Fundraiser**.



IQRA IFTAR NIGHT

13th March- Women's Evening
14th March- Men's Evening

- 6.30 pm Quran recitation & Nasheed
- 7.00 pm Charity Auction & Fundraiser
- 7.40 pm Iftar & Dinner
- 9.00 pm Evening End



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RSVP to events@iqra.school.nz
By Feb 28, 2025

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Iftar Nights Information:

Cost: Free for the mother and father of each child at Iqra School. Only parents of Iqra School children are invited. Iqra School children are welcome to come and eat dinner in a different room and meals will be provided free of charge. **Year 4-8 boys are asked to accompany their fathers on the Friday 14 March session.**

This is a fundraiser for Iqra School getting a new playground. Please give to this cause! **The school would like to auction goods and services (or vouchers) from the businesses** of our community members. If you are able to provide a product or service for auction please contact the principal (leanne.chartrand@iqra.school.nz)

A note providing more information about the proposed playground as well as the invitations admitting entrance to the Iftar event has been sent home with your child this week. Each adult must be a parent of a child at Iqra School and must have an invitation to enter.



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Principal's message:

Market Day 6 April 2025

Finally Iqra School will be holding an **Iqra School Market Day on Sunday 6 April 2025.**



Put this in your diary as a wonderful family event your friends will enjoy. We look forward to celebrating a wonderful Islamic community event. We hope you all can come.



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Library Visit

This week Iqra School students started their visits to New Lynn Library. Some visits were not able to go ahead due to the inclement weather. We plan on our second visit in week 7 this term. If your child has a library card they are to please bring it along on their visit. If they do not have a card parents are asked to get a card for their child if you want them to be issued New Lynn Library books. You can do this by popping into any council library and signing them up. Please see your classroom teacher if you have any questions about this wonderful literacy promoting programme.





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Sport Activity

Our Year 6 students recently took part in an exciting **T-Ball** activity at Iqra School! The event was a great opportunity for students to develop their teamwork, coordination, and sportsmanship while having fun on the field.

From powerful hits to quick fielding, the students showcased their skills and enthusiasm throughout the game. It was wonderful to see their energy and determination in action!

Well done to all participants for their effort and teamwork!





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School Assembly

On Wednesday, 19 Feb 2025, the Year 3 students did a wonderful job leading the assembly. They spoke with confidence, presented their work proudly, and engaged the audience with their enthusiasm.



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As a reminder, please see the guidelines below for time a child to spend on homework at Iqra School:

Year 1- 10 minutes each night

Year 2- 15 minutes each night

Year 3,4- 20 minutes each night

Year 5-8- 30 minutes each night

From time to time the school requires the help of parents to help run events at the school. If you are interested in joining this **committee**, being a regular parent helper to attend regular fundraiser meetings, help organize school events, help run our Second Hand Uniform shop and participate in school run programs, then please contact the Principal (Leanne) at leanne.chartrand@iqra.school.nz. We are keen to have your help and support!



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Term 1 Events

- 23.2.25 Hunger Ball tournament + food fundraiser
- 13,14 March Ramadan Fundraiser/ Auction, 6:30pm-10:00pm
- 17.3.25 New Lynn Library visits Y1-8 this week
- 21.3.25 Term 1, week 8, Work habits & Attitude Report available online for parents
- 25.3.25 & 27.3.25 Mitey (mental health) programme visits Iqra School
- 31.3.25 Eid- counted as school day - HOLIDAY**
- 1.4.25 Eid- HOLIDAY**
- 2.4.25 - 3.4.25 Term 1 Parent/ Teacher Interviews after school, Term 1 week 10
- 3.4.25 Lockdown training with Harrison & Tew, 8-12:30pm
- 4.4.25 Eid celebration at school, come in your Eid clothes & bring a plate
- 6.4.25 Iqra School Eid Festival- market day
- 11.4.25 Uniform free day- bring a gold coin, food stall, Last day Term 1, 2025
- 28.4.25 First day Term 2, 2025

Reporting for term 2

27.6.25 week 9, term 2 Academic reports available to parents

EID- 6 JUNE- counted as a school day- HOLIDAY

Reporting for term 3

16.7.25-17.7.25 Parent / Teacher Interviews after school Term 3

19.9.25 week 10 term 3 Work habits & attitude reports available to parents

Reporting for term 4

12.12.25 Term 4, week 10 Academic Reports available to parents



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Leader of Special Character Miss Ghada and her team:

مرحباً بشهر رمضان – شهر الإنجازات والبركات

يحمل شهر رمضان في طياته لحظات لا تُنسى، تتجلى في صوم النهار وقراءة القرآن، فيما يزين السحور والإفطار مائدتنا بألوان الفرحه والتلاقي. إنه شهر التواصل والتضامن، حيث تلتقي الأسرة مع أفراد العائلة الواحدة أو مع جمع من الأصدقاء حول مائدة الإفطار، وتتشارك القلوب في تجارب الصيام والتقرب من الله. في رمضان، يزهر الخير في كل مكان، فنرى الإحسان يتجلى في الصدقات والتبرعات، ويتسابق المصلون إلى المساجد لأداء الصلاة بما في ذلك صلاة التراويح وقيام الليل. إنه شهر التحدي والتغيير، حيث نسعى لتقوية اتصالنا بالله تعالى و تطوير أنفسنا ونزكيتها.

شهر رمضان هو شهر العمل لا التكاثر، وفي هذا الشهر المبارك، لا بد أن نشجع أنفسنا وأطفالنا على بذل قصارى جهدهم في جميع أعمالهم، سواء في الفصل الدراسي أو في المنزل أو خارجه، فثواب الأعمال مضاعف في رمضان، والصوم لا يعني التقاعس عن العمل.

وفي هذا الشهر الفضيل، تشجع المدرسة طلابها على إيلاء اهتمام خاص بالصلاة ابتداء من أداء الوضوء بشكل صحيح حتى إتقان الصلاة مما يكسبنا - إلى جانب الأجر والثواب المضاعف- الانضباط والمسؤولية. وبينما يُعتبر الصوم جانباً هاماً من جوانب رمضان، ندرك أن كل طفل في مرحلة مختلفة من رحلته، لذا نشجع طلابنا على الصيام وفقاً لأعمارهم واستعداداتهم البدنية.

وبما أن رمضان وقت للعناية بالعائلة والمجتمع أيضاً، فإننا ندعو الأسر إلى بدء مبادرات تدعم المحتاجين، سواء كان ذلك من خلال التطوع أو التبرع أو ببساطة نشر الكلمة الطيبة إن تعذرت المشاركة المادية، فهذه المبادرات لا تساعد الآخرين فحسب، بل تغرس أيضاً روح التضامن التي حث عليها رسولنا الكريم صلى الله عليه وسلم. هذا وسوف تقوم المدرسة بالإعلان عن المبادرات التي تعودناها في كل رمضان ككفالة الأيتام وصناديق التبرعات العينية وغيرها فكونوا معنا كما عهدناكم، كما أن المدرسة تعد الإفطار الجماعي في الثالث عشر والرابع عشر من الشهر الفضيل والذي يتضمن أيضاً فقرة للمزاد العلني وجمع التبرعات لصالح المضي في إمداد ملاعب وساحات المدرسة بالألعاب والمعدات التي تجعل وقت اللعب أكثر فائدة ومتعة لأبنائنا، فاحرصوا على ألا يفوتكم المشاركة في هذا المشروع الهام.

نسأل الله أن يجعل هذا الشهر شهراً مليئاً بالبركة والثواب للجميع.



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Leader of Special Character Miss Ghada and her team:

Welcome, Ramadan – The Month of Achievements and Blessings

Ramadan carries within it unforgettable moments, manifested through the fasting of the day and the recitation of the Quran, while Suhoor and Iftar adorn our table with the colors of joy and togetherness. It is a month of connection and solidarity, where families gather—whether with members of the same household or with groups of friends—around the Iftar table, sharing the moments of fasting and drawing closer to Allah.

During Ramadan, goodness blossoms everywhere. We witness acts of kindness in charitable donations and contributions, and worshipers hurry to the mosques to perform their prayers, including Taraweeh and Qiyam al-Layl. It is a month of challenge and transformation, during which we strive to strengthen our connection with Allah and work on developing and purifying ourselves.

Ramadan is a month of action, not idleness. In this blessed month, we must encourage ourselves and our children to give their utmost effort in all their endeavors—whether in the classroom, at home, or elsewhere—because the rewards of our good deeds are multiplied in Ramadan, and fasting does not mean refraining from work.



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During this sacred month, the school encourages its students to pay special attention to prayer—from performing Wudu correctly to mastering the prayer itself—which not only brings additional rewards but also instills discipline and responsibility. While fasting is an important aspect of Ramadan, we understand that each child is at a different stage in their journey; therefore, we encourage our students to fast according to their age and physical capacity.

As Ramadan is also a time for caring for family and community, we invite families to initiate projects that support those in need—whether through volunteering, donating, or simply spreading kind words when material contributions are not possible. These initiatives not only help others but also nurture the spirit of solidarity encouraged by our noble Messenger (peace be upon him). The school will soon announce our traditional Ramadan initiatives, such as sponsoring orphans and setting up donation boxes for in-kind contributions, among others. We invite you to join us as always.

Additionally, the school is organizing a group Iftar on the 13th and 14th of this blessed month, which will also include a segment for a silent auction and fundraising to support equipping our school playgrounds and open spaces with games and equipment that make playtime more enjoyable and beneficial for our children. Please ensure you do not miss this important project.

We pray that Allah makes this month full of blessings and rewards for everyone. Ramadan Mubarak!



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Kawther Numeracy and Literacy learning: Year 4&5

Students in Years 4 and 5 are diving into narrative writing as part of our literacy program. Year 4 students bring stories to life through role play, enhancing their creativity and storytelling skills, while Year 5 students focus on developing their personal narratives. Students engage in guided, silent, and independent reading to build their comprehension and fluency. We are excited to see their confidence grow as they explore and express their ideas through writing and reading!





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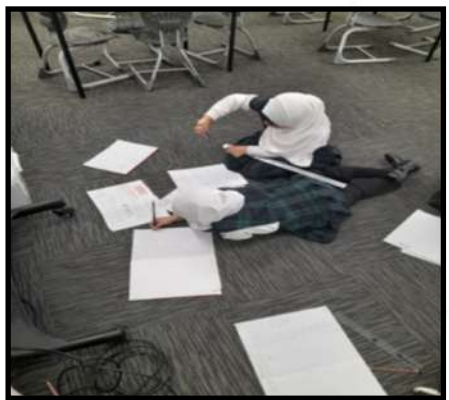
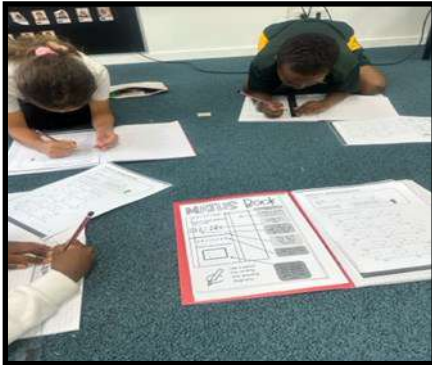


The Year 4 and 5 students in the Kawther Team are exploring the concept of place value through hands-on numeracy activities. They are deepening their understanding of whole numbers by engaging in problem-solving tasks that challenge their thinking. Students use various strategies to break down numbers, compare values, and recognize patterns. These activities are helping build strong mathematical foundations and confidence in working with numbers.



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Staff interview

Mrs. Fathima Hafeez (Year 3– Room 3)

1. What is your favourite food?

I like Thai food

2. What is your favourite colour?

I don't have a specific colour

3. How long have you been teaching?

I have been teaching for 15 years.

4. Why did you want to teach at Iqra?

I wanted to teach at this school because of the Islamic ethos at this school

5. Have you taught at any other schools before? If so, compare your experience to this school?

Yes, I was teaching in the Middle East, so it was a similar experience.

6. What are your goals for this year?

I want to cover the gaps in teaching and learning

7. Do you have any pets?

No

8. Where are you from?

I am from Sri Lanka

9. Would you rather have coffee or tea?

Coffee

10. What is your favourite subject to teach?

My favourite subject to teach is Math.



FATHIMA ASHIQUE

Junior Teacher—Year 3

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Interviewed by Lamar Mohamed (Y7) and Zunairah Kaiyum (Y7)

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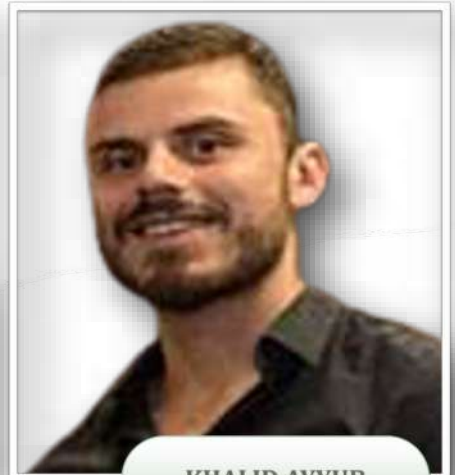
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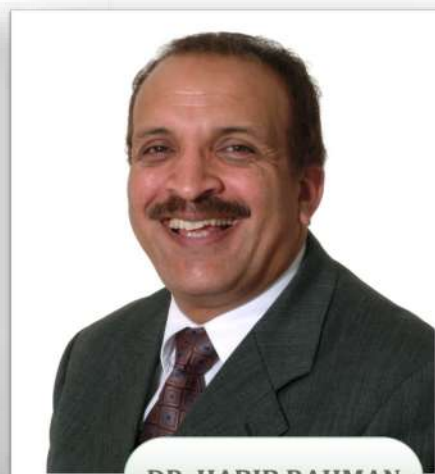
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Our school board members



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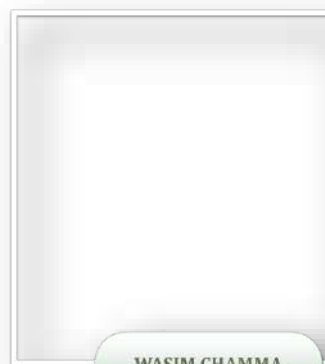
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IQRA School is a state integrated area school catering to students from year 1 to year 8. IQRA was established in 2016 by our proprietors of Algoritim Educational Trust.

We focused on providing quality education as outlined by the New Zealand Curriculum as well as provide our localised curriculum and Special Character based on our integrated status.

Our special character focus in across the whole curriculum, however we have specialised areas such as Islamic studies, Quran and Arabic language. These areas are integrated within New Zealand Curriculum.

We at IQRA look forward to working with all of you on our journey toward making our school a leading Islamic School in New Zealand that ensures our students stay connected with our faith, languages, cultures and strong heritage.

Attendance dues:

Attendance dues must be paid through Ezypay, our third-party provider. You can access it through the caregiver portal under the payments tab. If you need help, contact the school. All parents have to set up the payment for 2025 prior to school start date 30 January 2025.

Check the notice sent through the skool loop for more information.



Skool Loop



Skool Loop is our main communication tool at Iqra school



Push notifications (Instant messaging)



Absentee Messaging: provides a quick simple and convenient way for a school parent or caregiver to report absentees to the school.



Notices: All push notifications (instant messages) sent from the school are recorded here as well any school notices.



School calendar: up-to-date school information regarding all school events, engagements and vital dates throughout the year.



Contact details: All the school details plus including titel of staff member.

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