

HUDSON VALLEY ISLAMIC SCHOOL



HVIS NEWSLETTER

October

Hadith of the Month

"Whoever follows a path to seek knowledge, Allah will make a path to Paradise easy for him." Sahih Muslim 2699a



BOOK OF THE MONTH

HVIS continues to reinforce Literacy and character development through our Book of the Month. To instill moral values, and strengthen our character, we focus on a theme each month. This month we decided to focus on determination, hard work, and perseverance. Students got a chance to listen to the readaloud, Rosie Revere Engineer. They learned all about Rosie and her determination to succeed, despite many failures. Of course, Rosie, like our students, had plenty of encouraging minds supporting her. When her machine didn't successfully fly, her aunt reminded her that before it fell, it flew. And even if it was just for a little bit, you can count that as a success, her aunt told her. Similarly, Prek-3 and Pre-k 4 read The Most Magnificent Thing, a story about not giving up, and trying until you succeed. To bring these values to life, we had real professionals come and speak to our young learners all about what it takes to succeed, as part of our Career Month.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS MONTH

PRE-K 3

Pre-K 3. We were learning letters A,F,M,O,P,T, numbers 1,2. Learned about our body parts, the five senses, different articles of clothing, and how to have good personal hygiene by washing our hands and brushing our teeth regularly. We also read books, learned about being kind and grateful and Played with puzzles in class.

KINDERGARTEN

In literacy, students practiced reading short /a/ words, irregular words, and sentence writing. Inspired by I Am René, the Boy by René Colato Laínez, students explored the meanings and origins of their names and shared their discoveries through presentations. In math, students counted and compared groups within five and began exploring numbers 6–9. In science, they learned about the engineering design process. In social studies, students explored government, voting, important historical documents, and leaders. A special firefighter visit reinforced fire safety and memorizing home addresses and emergency contact numbers.

1ST & 2ND GRADE

October brought many opportunities for our students to build new skills, explore exciting concepts, and make meaningful connections across all subject areas! In Science, students explored Unit 2: Sound, experimenting with different objects to discover how vibrations create sound and how sound can be used to communicate over distances. In Social Studies, we studied Unit 2: Civics and Government, learning about government at the local, state, and national levels and the important roles each plays in our communities.

In Grade 1 Literacy, students practiced the Floss Rule, focusing on double consonants zz, ss, ff, and ll. In Grade 2 Literacy, students learned about consonant digraphs ck, ng, and ph, practicing how two letters work together to make one sound. In Grade 1 Math, students explored various subtraction strategies, including counting back, counting on, adding to subtract, and using 10. In Grade 2 Math, students began Module 4: Equal Groups, learning about even and odd numbers, representing equal groups, and using arrays (rows and columns) to write additional equations and find totals.

Alhamdulillah, we are so proud of our students' hard work and progress this month! We look forward to another month of learning and growing together!

PRE-K 4

Alhamdulillah, October was filled with exciting learning experiences and wonderful memories! Our little learners explored the fall season through apple themed activities, including learning about the parts of an apple, creating clay apples, and enjoying an apple picking field trip with hay and delicious donuts. Students also practiced recognizing and tracing letters A, F, M, O, P, B and T identifying beginning sounds, strengthening their name writing skills, and learning numbers 1-3 through counting games and hands-on activities.

Our classroom activities included exploring fall colors, creating art, strengthening fine motor skills, and learning about Personal Space Bubbles. We practiced kindness, sharing, respecting others, following classroom rules, and making good choices. Alhamdulillah, our students continued growing in confidence, independence, and friendship. I am so proud of all their accomplishments! Jazakum Allahu Khairan to our wonderful parents for your continued love and support. We look forward to more exciting adventures in November, insha'Allah!

QUR'AN & ARABIC

Pre-K 3 is almost finished with Surah Al-Fatiha. Pre-K 4 finished Surah Al-Nasr in Quran and learned their letters from ا to ز. Kindergarten finished Surah Al-Qadr and is almost finished with Surah Al-Alaq in Quran. They finished Lesson 3 from the Nurania in Arabic. 1st-4th graders finished Surah Al-Burooj in the Quran. As for Arabic, all our students are at different places, from learning letters to reading paragraphs.



3RD & 4TH GRADE

October has been an exciting month!

Third and Fourth grade have continuously explored fiction, described how characters have developed, and used close reading strategies to analyze text. Referring back to the text to find information, and make connections in order to answer text-based questions will continue to be a big part of both 3rd grade and 4th grade learning strategy. This not only prepares them for the ELA state test, but help them become independent learners. In writing, we've worked on developing paragraphs with details, and sentence structure, while applying the language mechanics. This month we will develop our own fictional narratives. In math, third graders have been using multiple strategies to multiply numbers and develop their fluency. Similarly, 4th grade students have used their multiplication facts to multiply multiples of ten, hundreds, and thousands in addition to estimating products of 3-4 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. In social studies students are exploring what historians do. Students have learned about the different types of questions they ask, what information they look for, and how they decide what is authentic or not. In science, students completed their unit on the engineering process, and began exploring forces, and how strength and direction are key components of force.

Islamic Studies

This October, our Islamic Studies classes continued strengthening students' faith through lessons, stories, and hands-on activities.

Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 students practiced daily duʿas and explored gratitude, sharing, kindness, and taking turns through coloring activities and Islamic stories centered on these themes. Pre-K 4 students also explored the stories of Prophets Adam, Nuh, and Yunus, learning about obeying Allah, trusting Him, and asking Him for help.

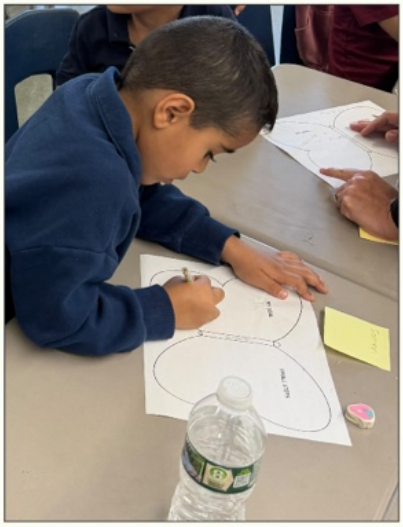
After learning about Allah's creation in their first unit, kindergarten students began "Muhammad ﷺ Is Our Prophet," covering the story of the People of the Elephant, the Prophet's ﷺ birth, and his family through Lesson 3.

First and second grade students completed their first unit and began the second unit on the life of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, supported by lessons and workbook activities.

Third and fourth grade students completed their first unit, exploring Iman and the six pillars of faith in greater detail: belief in Allah, His angels, His books, His messengers, the Last Day, and divine decree. Review packets and assessments helped reinforce their learning.

Our Friday Story and Activity Time brought kindergarten through fourth grade together to explore perseverance, following our dreams, and maintaining a kind heart through challenges. Islamic stories and discussions encouraged students to trust Allah, ask Him for help, and keep trying when things feel difficult.

We ended the month with our "My Dream Journey" butterfly activity, allowing students to express their dreams and identify small steps they can take toward their goals.







A Tribute to our Parent Professionals...

Dr Eman Gewida - Dentist
Br Ahmad Hussein - Construction
Br Muhaned Flaifel - Dealership Owner
Sr Amanda Shafiullah - Deputy Town Clerk
Sr Essraa Gewida - Engineer
Sr Kawthar Ahmed - Lawyer
Sr Nour Obeidallah - Lawyer
Br Sanae Bokhari - Auditor
Br Muhammad Zafar - Construction
Br Anas Abukhader - Baker/Entrepreneur



You Inspired Us!

HVIS staff and students want to give a very special thanks to all the parents that took time off their busy schedule to visit our school. They did more than just provide information about their career. They inspired our young ones to pursue their dreams, and continue in that journey, all while working hard and overcoming obstacles. Words such as, “Trust in Allah” “Do Good in school”, “Pray your Salah” "Be good to people, “Listen to your Teacher” “Work hard”, “Keep going”, Don’t give up” “Don’t cheat people”, are among many positive messages that will resonate with our students as they continue on their path to success.
Thank you for making this month a truly special month.

JazakaAllahu Khairun,
HVIS Students & Staff

Career Month Student Reflections



how people help
drivers. From this, I
learned that math is
very important for very
When I grow up, I want to
Scientist. I will Work hard.



They
do. and also They
Showed us Their
Materials and tools.
This inspiers me
to never give up.
and I want to
be an artist when
I grow up.
by Elissa Hussein



achieve your dreams
When I grow up I
want to be a soccer
player. I will work
hard in school
so I could get
smarter. I hope
you always remember
to follow your dream

Love
young maker

never ever give up.
I want to be a
Engineer. werkin hard in
school. And believe in
myself. I hope you
always remember to
follow your
dreams Yoof
Nahee

ple help ers. From
this, I learned to try
my best. When I grow
up I want to be a
builder. I will work
hard in School I learned
that Math is important to
I hope you always follow
your dream!
Love
young Shaheer

learned that
math is very important
When I grow up I whant
to be a lawyer. I will
work hard in school. I will
work hard in English.
I hope you always remember
to follow your dreams.
Love
young sana

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people ... from. ... I learned about Math is really inpring for all jobs when I groh up I want to polies officer I will work hard in math I hope you always remember to follow deam

Love
young Alya

learned about different jobs. I learned the tools they need to do their jobs. When I grow up I want to be a construction worker and a scientist. I will work hard in school and I hope you always remember to follow your dreams.

Love young Emran



... want to be a ... fight, ... play ... up. I will work hard in school and try my best. I hope you always remember to follow your dreams

Love
young shaped



... fun ... from. Today ... came i even went into the truck ... Elissa's dad came, he is a builder and and he told us all about building, showed us his ... tises it was pretty cool

by Nahla

... mels one. Tiny engineer what can I say? Those people really encouraged me too achive my dreams! plus my best freind elissa can do the backrounds! Yes she agreed.

by Nahla

October Highlights

























Student Spotlight



Adyan Hoxhaj - Kindergarten

Adyan has shown wonderful leadership, kindness, and responsibility in our classroom. He is always looking for ways to help his classmates and keep our classroom neat and organized. Whether he is reminding friends to push in their chairs, encouraging them to return books to the bookshelf, or making sure tables are clean, Adyan takes pride in helping everyone.

He has truly become our teacher's little assistant! What makes him extra special is that he takes the initiative to help without being asked. His thoughtfulness, helpful nature, and willingness to lend a hand make our classroom a better place.



Nadine Flaifel - 4th Grade

Nadine is always ready to learn, and encourages her classmates to do the same. She is persistent in succeeding, even when it gets too hard. She engages her classmates in the task, by asking them to think and rethink their ideas, even when they're not up to it. She continuously supports them, and redirects them to the task at hand. I'm very proud of the effort that she puts in and the accomplishments she has made.

Upcoming Events...

NOV 11 — **Veteran's Day**
No school

NOV 25 — **Half Day**
Early Dismissal at 11:30am

NOV 26-27 — **Thanksgiving Break**
No school

