



AL-MADINAH SCHOOL

Reflections *2019*



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From the editor's desk

Yet another successful school year has come to an end and we have, Alhamdulillah, as a school, made giant strides in our knowledge and implementation of Digital technology in all curriculum areas. Approximately forty one teachers completed the Mindlab programme offered by UNITEC graduating with a Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Practice (Digital and Collaborative Learning) enhancing their expertise in leadership skills, collaborative learning and teaching.

For the first time our students took several NCEA Level 1 External Examinations digitally and another first for the school was having Al-Madinah as an Exam Centre. Yet another first has been the implementation of Innovative Learning Environment (ILE) at the Intermediate level. This edition of **Reflections 2019** will be now be an e-magazine that will enable the wider community to access it. This year the students' reports will also be published online.

Students have continued to progress and grow in the positive environment of Al-Madinah fostered by the concepts of Taha Tinana, Taha Hinegaro, Taha Whanua and Taha Wairua. The organised EOTCs, Literacy, Numeracy, Science, Environment and Islamic Weeks have further enabled the students to showcase their skills and talents as depicted in **Reflections**. The Student Councils have done invaluable work in fostering creativity, leadership and teamwork throughout the school.

With our joys and achievements also came great sadness, grief and a sense of loss as we heard of the attack on the two mosques in Christchurch on March 15th. The whole country joined in a period of mourning and then we felt the full force of a nation coming together denouncing these atrocities. The way the country united under the strong leadership of our government and the outpouring of love and support that we as a community received from all faiths enabled us not to forget but to move forward in the knowledge that we are a valued part of New Zealand society.

The school was overwhelmed by the kindness of the organising members of The Al-Madinah Initiative and the many messages of love, sympathy and support from neighbouring schools and communities. The activities for the students that had been planned could not go ahead but our friends and well-wishers banded together to put together activities throughout the year to help staff and students get through the pain and sorrow. We take this opportunity to say thank you to all those who have put in so much work and effort into putting back a smile on the faces of our students.

The passing away of our much loved colleague and Ustada, Rabia Patel in November left us in shock. In the magazine, we have dedicated a page to her but words cannot fully express what she truly meant to us all.

We would like to thank all the staff and students who have worked tirelessly to make this magazine possible. Our appreciation also goes to the Principal, the Senior Management Team, teachers, friends and parents for their continued support. Special thanks go to Ustads Asraf Ali, Amjad Ali, Intaz Shah, Mohshin Khan and Ustadas Shazneen Zaim, Rukshana Khan, Shafina Mohammed, Veena Khan and Zakira Rasheed for their work on **Reflections 2019**.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Assalaamu Alaikum Rahmatullahi Wa Barakaatuh.

In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent and the Most Merciful, I thank Allah (SWT) for giving us the Imaan and creating us in the Ummah of Prophet Mohammed (S.A.W). It is my pleasure and honour as the Principal of Al-Madinah School to write a brief message for the 2019 school e-magazine – **“Reflections”**.

Alhamdulillah, we have come to the end of a successful year. With the new facilities up and running the school continues to provide a diverse range of subjects at the secondary school level, second languages across the school and shifting away from multi-level classes to facilitate better learning.

The effort in promoting “Teaching as Inquiry” (TAI) has continued. With Ministry funded and approved PLD with the University of Auckland, the use of TAI has really enhanced the effectiveness of teaching and learning at this school. No doubt it has had a vast impact on the manner in which both teaching and learning takes place at this school. Hence as a result we have recorded a huge increase in the students’ achievements including the NCEA results.

The major strategic goal for 2019 was to move the school towards 21st century teaching and learning skills. To achieve this, majority of the teachers graduated with the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Practice (Digital and Collaborative Learning) in which the main aim was to promote digitalisation of the curriculum and collaboration right across the school, amongst the students in the class and between classes. We are now witnessing a great deal of 21st Century Learning and Teaching skills being introduced and implemented which have made a huge difference to the pedagogical shift in which the curriculum is being delivered at this school.

Furthermore, Innovative Learning Environment (ILE) spaces have now been extended to other year levels in Primary and Intermediate sections of the school. With the PLD in place from the Ministry this year till the next, we will have a major focus towards ILE development and implementation right across the school.

Following the Christchurch crisis on the 15th of March, our school participated and hosted vigils in the remembrance of the lives lost. This brought the school and the New Zealand community together. We appreciate very much the “Al-Madinah Initiative” organised by Mr Rick Pickard. With his Alliance team he organised enjoyable events for the staff and students to alleviate their pain and distress. The school hosted a flag-raising ceremony on November 28th, the same day as we had a Thanksgiving programme for the “Al-Madinah Initiative” team.

The co-curricular activities including sports competition, athletics programs, enterprise, oratory contest, school production and camps, and taking part in a number of national and international competition have really promoted AMS as a school that contributes very well to a holistic education. The school is well placed on the NZ platform as a successful special character school with a large number of students successfully working and contributing towards a diverse range of discipline including Businesses, Law, Engineering, Medicine, Education, Sports, PE, Religion and the list goes on and on. Apart from this, a new initiative will be the introduction of Te Reo Maori-the language, culture and principles. In this we will be supported by our local Maori elder.

In November, we lost a young colleague, Ustada Rabia. Her passing away has been a great loss for the Al-Madinah school community. May Allah give her family Sabr-e- Jameel and grant her Jannatul firdause-Ameen!

At last and not the least, I wish to thank all the students, staff, parents/caregivers, the school commissioner-Bruce Adin, the school’s proprietor IED Trust and the well-wishers who have contributed to a successful year 2019. I congratulate the magazine committee for their untiring effort that was devoted into the publication of this e-magazine - Jazaakallahu khairan.

May Allah guide us on the right path and shower his blessings on the entire humanity.

Asin Ali
Principal

BISMILLAH HI RAHMAAN NIR RAHEEM

Assalam Alaikum wa rahamtullahe wa barkato-Tena Koutou ! Tena Koutou! Tena Koutou!

Alhamdulillah, we are once again on our last stride towards the end of the year. It is the time of the year for us to reflect and evaluate. It has been another year of blessings to be part of Al Madinah.

During the year students and teachers have focused on 21st century skills. Our major focus has been on learning skills, collaboration, flexibility, social skills, leadership and information literacy. For learning skills, we have focused on critical thinking-that is solving problems, creativity-thinking outside the box, collaboration –which is teaching and learning together, and communication – talking to others/ conveying messages and ideas . All areas of teaching and learning have helped to develop metacognitive abilities in students.

After Mind lab graduation, class teachers are continuing their professional learning in digital technology, promoting student agency, and providing opportunities for our tamariki to be creative to gain 21st century skills. Students have used Study Ladder, Education Perfect, Readworks and Google classroom programmes. Most assessments are done and marked online-thanks to NZCER services. These have supported towards us having blended classrooms. Thanks to classroom teachers for continuous connection with whanau through Class DOJO.

Staff have been part of other Professional Development: Accelerated Literacy Learning (ALL), Communities of Learning (COL), Beginning Teacher (BT) courses, Reading Recovery, Innovative Learning Environment (ILE).

Thanks to the Communities of Learning initiative, we have received support from several school to moderate our literacy assessment samples.

We have also continued to provide a variety of other learning platforms for students to learn: gardening, sports (swimming, soccer, netball, cricket, athletics, cross country), school trips, camps, school events such as Islamic week, Ramadaan activities, Maths week, Digital Technology workshops in class by MoE facilitators etc. Coaching of sports at school has continued as well.

As one of the Health Promoting School, we continued with our health focuses and are proud that our tamariki are learning to decide healthy options when it comes to food. Fruit and milk in school have added value to the programme

I thank Allah SWT for all the blessings and guidance throughout. Thank you for all the feedback from whanau which has helped our staff and students work on our shortcomings.

Jazak Allah to all students, parents and staff for the ongoing collaboration and cooperation throughout the year.

Gulshad Khan –AP Primary

Message from the Assistant Principal-Secondary Curriculum

Assalamu Alaikum WRWB

In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful.

We thank Allah SWT for giving us the opportunity to share our achievements for another eventful year.

The school has continued to build on its strengths and activities from previous years. Once again our 2018 NCEA results are worth mentioning as there has been 96.4% pass rate for NCEA level 1, 93.1% for level 2, 100% for level 3 and 76.2% for University Entrance and the percentage pass is higher when compared to the national statistics. This year NCEA level 1 students were given the opportunity to do English and History practice exams and external exams digitally while from 2020 most exams will be offered digitally. Having Al-Madinah School (AMS) as the exam centre for 2019 has been another achievement and AMS would like to acknowledge the thought and support given by NZQA.

Secondary girls got to enjoy the camp activities on site provided by Sir Peter Blake Foundation. They appreciated the free trip to Rainbows End sponsored by John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation as part of the "AMS initiative". Our students have contributed to the community by fund raising for the SPCA through cupcake sale day, helping in a local kindergarten, and contributing part of their profits from the companies set up in Business Studies classes to the refugee centre. The University of Waikato's YES Equity SEED funding awarded \$200 to the 13G Business Studies Company called *Melange*.

The student leaders had an opportunity to participate in a workshop at school, at Auckland Airport FDNY leadership seminar and in Air New Zealand International Women in Engineering day. Two students were appointed to participate in the Momentum Hub Student Leadership programme to develop their leadership skills. Students had many other opportunities to gather information about their study options and careers pathways.

RTLB used formal assessments and identified that 10% of the students were gifted and talented (GAT). These students will be further supported to reach their full potential and to participate in many more academic competitions.

Major focus for 2020 will be to extend on the integration of digital technology into all curriculum areas and work towards making our students not just users but also creators of digital solutions and process outcomes. Groups of students from years 7 to 10 took part in 123Tech.nz challenge where they identified some of the needs of the community and tried to look for digital solutions.

Students made vegetable gardens to use the vacant land and enjoyed some outdoor activities. Compost bins have been set up beside the gardens to reduce fruit peel waste and to educate students further on reducing and reusing waste.

The school congratulates the following students for their awards: Asmah Bano and Aayesha Ali for the AUT School Leaver Scholarship-New Horizons, Asmah Bano for Otago Leadership award and the Auckland Airport Education Scholarship, Mohammed Fazeel Khan for MIT Mechanical Engineering Scholarship, Faaizah Mohammed for Air New Zealand Aeronautical Engineering apprentice and to the dux – Mariyam Aljaf for the University of Otago Scholarship.

JazakAllahu Khairan to all the staff, prefects, students and parents for your hard work and support to the school. We wish all the best to the year 13 students in their future endeavours.

It is sad to hear the loss of our staff member, Sr Rabia Patel on 27/11/19. We are making dua that Allah SWT gives her Janatul Firdose. Our deepest sympathy for the husband, two children and the family.

Ust Nazmeen Zaim

English

With the blessings of Allah SWT, the English department experienced a number of achievements despite the numerous challenges. As a department we have continued to facilitate students' learning through engaging, enriching, collaborative and innovative teaching strategies and programmes.

The NCEA results for English have been very good with many students achieving subject endorsements in NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3. This year we were able to offer NCEA English exams digitally for Level 1. Our programmes and the hard work done by the department teachers have enabled many students to achieve tertiary requirements and pursue tertiary education. The students have performed very well in competitions, workshops and forums. In **the NZ Spelling Bee** two students qualified for the regional finals. A number of our students have also achieved Distinction, Merit and Credit in the **ICAS** and **Kiwi English** competitions.

The department teachers namely Veena Khan, Riakat Hussein, Asraf Ali, Rukshana Khan, Bibi Salmah and Sarah Landi have worked with dedication and I thank them for the collegiality throughout the year.

Shabina Ali

Social Studies

Alhamdulillah, we have successfully completed this year despite many challenges. The committed and dedicated teachers namely: Veena Khan, Asraf Ali, Zakira Rasheed, Rukshana Khan and Bibi Salmah have worked tirelessly to produce excellent results and learning environments. Our teaching and learning programme have engaged and enabled students to understand their past and present, and appreciate what may happen in the future.

Through Social Studies and History we are able to shape and develop students' values, identity, critical thinking and understanding of place in society. This enables students to become good citizens of New Zealand and appreciate their role as global citizens. The department has continued to offer a variety of learning experiences to students which have been valuable in developing critical thinking and making students lifelong learners. The NCEA results for History have been very good and this year we have offered the NCEA History exam digitally for Level 1. We continue to strive to embed environmentally sustainable practices.

May Allah (SWT) guide and bless us all.

Shabina Ali

Mathematics Department Report

Another challenging year has come to an end, Alhamdulillah! We thank Allah SWT for his infinite mercy and blessings on us throughout the year.

The students worked with enthusiasm with years 7 and 8 enjoying their open space and taking ownership of their learning.

This year students took part in the ICAS competition, Otago Problem Challenge and the Mathematics World championships organised by Education Perfect. During Maths week organised in school, the students took part in various in-class activities, online competitions, quiz competitions and problem solving competition.

The focus of the department was to integrate literacy and to incorporate ideas from the Mind lab course into lessons. The students all enjoyed problem solving in class.

All the teachers in the department have also completed the Digital and Collaborative Learning in Context course this year Alhamdulillah and are well equipped to teach our 21st century learners.

I would like to thank the department teachers – Bibi Salmah, Rukshana Khan, Riakat Hussain, Sarah Landi, Shafina Mohammed, Syeda Shagufta, Subhan Khan and Nazmeen Zaim for their hard work and dedication.

I wish the students all the best in all their future endeavours.

HOD Mathematics
Shabina Nabijan

Science Department Report

With the grace of Almighty Allah SWT, another rewarding year is coming to an end.

This year again was a particularly busy year with quite a few students taking Science at the senior level. The students were all very enthusiastic about their learning and various assessment methods were used such as practical and research in Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

Senior students went to the Waitakere Ranges for extended practical activities like studying the forest ecological community and collecting data for their research projects. Junior students enjoyed their trip to the Stardome to learn about the solar system.

All students were also given the opportunity to take part in various activities such as the Education Perfect Championships for Science. The teachers integrated writing and ideas from the Digital and Collaborative Learning in Context course into their lessons. The teachers in the department, Deepa Singh, Sarah Landi, Subhan Khan and Tabrez Khan are to be commended for their passion and enthusiasm in teaching Science to our young minds.

I wish to thank all the department teachers for their efforts and wish them all the best for the coming year.

Shabina Nabijan
HOD Science

HOD PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH

STAFF

Ustad Intaz Shah - HOD Physical Education & Health
Sports Co-ordinator

Ustadah Zakira Rasheed - Teacher

“No two things have been combined better than knowledge and patience.” Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)

Alhamdulillah. All praise to Allah Subhan Wa’ Taala for having given us an opportunity to serve Al- Madinah School for the year 2019.

Al-Madinah School holds academia as its priority for all young students in its care. The school has recognised extracurricular activities as an important part of a young students’ personal development. The extracurricular life of the school is essential to our mission as we aim to develop well-rounded young students’ who willingly exhibit the school’s values, while contributing in a variety of contexts in and outside the classroom.

Physical activity stimulates growth and leads to improved physical and emotional health. Sports experiences help build positive self- esteem in children and it can also be a helpful way of reducing stress and increasing feelings of physical and mental well-being.

Badar once again took the top honours during the Boys Inter-house meet.

The senior boys’ soccer teams had an excellent outing in the Counties Manukau winter league and came second in their division.

The girls had the opportunity to participate in the netball tournament at Zayed College winning the Junior and Youth trophies.

On behalf of the Physical Education and Health Department, I extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all the staff and the parents for their dedicated support throughout the year.

Finally, I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to the Principal, Senior Leaders and Board of Trustees for their support in the smooth delivery of all the affairs of the department.

I wish you all a prosperous and relaxing holiday.

Jazaakallahu Khairan

Intaz Shah (HOD - HPE)

Intermediate Department Report 2019

We are indeed blessed by Allah Subhan Wa'Taalah to serve this institution.

The Intermediate team consists of four homeroom teachers and six subject teachers with seventy-nine enthusiastic and energetic students coming from a wide range of nationalities, cultures and townships.

This year the intermediate girls and boys have established the hub for Innovate Learning Environment. The teachers provide a range of educational opportunities and challenges in an exciting and meaningful environment. Teachers ensure that they do not only meet the academic, cultural and social needs of the students but also build the resilience needed for the students to embark successfully on the future stages of their academic career. *The teachers strive for excellence in all fields of education and focus on building the values of trust, honesty and respect in students in an Islamic perspective.*

The APPA Oratory Contest has become one of the major highlights in our school. Kulsum Hussain of 8G and Adam Yahya Landi of 7B represented our school in the prepared speeches in Mangere South West Zonal APPA Oratory Contest and attained the first and third positions respectively

The students of intermediate school did well in most of the sports tournaments organised by South West Intermediate Schools besides having inter house tournaments in our school. Students cherished the Al-Madinah School initiatives sponsored by volunteers in addition to the curriculum EOTC. The boys actively participated with the senior secondary boys in the school's annual production.

I have great pleasure in thanking the school's Board of Trustees, Principal, the staff and the intermediate team teachers and students for making this year a great success and a memorable one.

Riakat Hussain

“Every child has a different learning style and pace, each child is unique not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding.”
- Robert John Meehan

Secondary Boys Dean's Report 2019

It is encouraging to note that the discipline amongst the boys at Al-Madinah School is improving over the years.

This is the result of the collective effort of teachers, monitors and school prefects who work collaboratively to achieve a common goal of respect, care and creating a safe environment. We, teachers, focus on practising a restorative approach, which brings about repairing harm and building good relationships in classrooms, playgrounds and in assemblies.

The process of chats, thinking time and conferences with students are ways to address the conflicts or problems. Often letting the two parties talk and find solutions to the problems enable them to take responsibility for the impact of their behavior on the other person. Correctness leads to preventing destructive and anti-social behavior.

I am of the opinion that punishment would not and cannot change the behavior of the students; instead, it will bring more harm than good in a person's life. However, asking students how we can involve everyone who has been affected in finding a way forward and what can we do differently in future to avoid the problem will help resolve issues.

Procedure

I usually interview the students who are referred to me by the teachers for discipline. I follow the above approach in order to solve the problem and maintain the relationship.

Students are put on lunch detention usually for twenty minutes and afternoon detention for forty minutes, depending on the severity of the case. A letter to the parents is sent and parents are informed by phone calls for parental meetings or after-school detentions. Parental meetings are held in the presence of the Assistant Principal. Major discipline cases are referred to the Assistant Principal or the Principal for stand-downs.

Riakat Hussain

Dean of Secondary Boys.

Junior Team

Alhamdiullah we have come to the end of another successful year. This year has been filled with many achievements in our team.

The Junior Team consists of a Year 1 Hub and as of Term four, a Year 2 Hub. These classes are taught by Shazneen Zaim, Robina Slaimankhel, Hafsa Liaqat, Halima Taki and Rehana S Khan, with support from Mozima Ali and Shazima Bano.

Over the year we have been on several trips and taken part in different activities within school to enhance our learning. In Term one as part of our study on Under the Sea, we visited Kelly Tarltons. In Term two a police officer visited our classes to discuss how to keep safe while in Term three we visited the Zoo to observe the animals we have been learning about in the classroom. Year 1 and 2 also visited Butterfly Creek where students learnt about butterflies. We have also taken part in swimming lessons in Term four at the Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Leisure Centre, Maths Roadshow and gardening sessions. Jazakallah to all the parent helpers for their support during the trips.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents, teachers in my team, the Principal, the Assistant Principal and Teacher Aides for their support during the year.

Shazneen Zaim
Junior Primary School Team leader



Al- Madinah School - Team 2

Alhamdulillah we have come to the end of another successful year. This year has been fabulous and we have had some great achievements in Team 2, which consists of years 3 and 4. There is a Year 3 hub and two Year 4 classes.

To enhance our learning, we have been on some excursions: Term 1- Stardome and Museum, Term 2 - Auckland Zoo, Term 3 - MOTAT, and Term 4 - Sleepover Camp at Kelly Tarltons. In Term 2 our team did a hangi in school to celebrate Pacifica Culture and mark the end-of-unit study on Pacifica.

With the implementation of Mindlab and ICT, it is good to see students progressing and enhancing their learning through use of ICT tools available in our classrooms. We are encouraging more collaborative teaching and learning in our classes.

In term 3, the year 3 and 4 students had the opportunity to attend the Maths Road Show which was super exciting. Our Sleepover camp and picnic at Okahu Bay was fantastic - students had a fun learning trip.

I would like to take this opportunity and thank Team 2 teachers and the parents, especially the year 3 and 4 students, for all their support during the year. Once again, it has been a very successful year. Jazak Allahu Khairan to my team for their hard work and effort.

Rehana Khan
Team leader



Primary School- Team 3

It has been another successful year with great achievement in our team. Team 3 has four Year 5/6 classes taught by Roslin Azam, Farzano Bano, Rehana Karim, Juleikha Bibi and Mufida Khatun.

Students were assisted in literacy through ALL programmes which was taken by Ust. Farzana and Ust. Rehana Karim. The results for these programmes has been amazing as the students have shown good improvement in a short period of time. Students used a variety of digital tools/ Apps and worked collaboratively which enhanced motivation and engagement. ALL programme is funded by MOE. Some year 5 and 6 students have been selected for Gifted and Talented group for Mathematics and they will work with other educational agencies and institutions to extend their knowledge and skill.

Year 5 and 6 students also went on a number of EOTC Trips. They visited White Water Park to participate in various water sports. The students had the opportunity to go to YMCA Hunua Falls and Ambari Farm for day camps. They did challenging activities which developed their team building and life survival skills. Year 5 and 6 students also went to Auckland Zoo as part of Science unit study on Mammals.

As usual, the students had the opportunity to participate in school-based English Speech Competition. The first place winner was Aadil Ali Khan from AU14 who was also the winner for Otahuhu Mangere Zone competition and he represented Otahuhu and Mangere schools in Auckland Oral Language competition. Team 3 students also participated in various sports competitions such as swimming, cricket, netball, athletics and cross country. Some students participated in the Otago Mathematics Problem Solving Challenge and FIANZ competitions.

Selected year 6 students were school councillors. The councillors assisted the duty teachers to do compound duty and helped in organising games during break times. The councillors went for a trip to Rainbow Ends Theme Park.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents, teachers in my team, principal, assistant principal and teacher aides for their support during the year.

Roslin Azam

Senior Primary School Team leader/ Primary School Dean

Head Girl's Message

I begin in the Name of Allah Almighty, the Most Gracious, the Most Majestic.

As I write this report, it signifies the end of my year as the Head Girl of Al-Madinah School for 2019. It is now time that I put away my badge and my duties. It is time for me to reflect on the extraordinary time that I have had when given the honour, privilege and opportunity to serve as the Head Girl of Al-Madinah School.

It is with great difficulty and deep sadness that I must express my last words to you all not just as the Head Girl, but also as a fellow Al-Madinah School student. There are no words that can express my greatest gratitude to this school, my sisters, my teachers and the entire faculty, for the many years that I have spent here. Deep down, it frightens us all to leave the sanctity of this school and step into the big, wide world. However, the knowledge and advice that we have received of our Dean and this Duniya have become our foundation and our guiding light for the next steps in our lives.

Being the Head Girl had given me the privilege that allowed me to take on leadership opportunities, and has given me knowledge and experiences that I will cherish through the next journey of life. It has also widened my views on the world and made me see it in a new and different light. It is all due to the will of Allah, the Most Gracious, that 2019 has proven itself to be successful in all sectors of this school. I must commend the Secondary Boys Student Council for all their success this year with the school production as well as other rewarding achievements, the Primary sector for all their achievements and hard work, and the Secondary Girls. The Secondary Girls have been able to put together many events that brought about many opportunities for the students to display their talents and skills, our Iftaar Night being amongst the many successes this year.

Great appreciation and acknowledgement goes to the hardworking Student Council. To Ustadha Veena, Ustadha Zakirah and Ustadha Rukshana, the teachers' in-charge who committed a lot of time and effort to ensure the desires of the students and the Student Council were met.

I must give my thanks also to the class monitors, school prefects and the Deputy Head Girls who have had to sacrifice their break times to make this year a memorable and exciting year for us all.

As I am leaving this school, I wish for nothing but success for our school, our teachers (primary and secondary) and my fellow and future students. May our school continue to grow, to prosper, to pursue new opportunities and to continue being strong in the face of adversities. We may be a small school, but we have much to still show the world.

Finally, my last words to you as the Head Girl of AMS of 2019 go to the students. It is we who keep this school's spirit strong and alive. So if you are reading this as a child full of wonder, a teenager finding their strength or a person conquering the world, whether you are a current or a new student ready to embark their journey here, I have this to tell you, the friends you make here, the relationships you grow here, the memories you create and the opportunities you get here will make you a stronger, more confident and an especially kind person. The school will feel like home, a haven from everything, just like it was for us.

Always be kind. Always be grateful. Always be humble. For you are, and always will be, an Al-Madinah student and a Muslim.

"Success is a journey, not a destination." - Ben Sweetland.

Asmah Bano

Deputy Headgirls' Message.

“In the name of The Almighty Allah the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful”.

With Allah (s.w.t)'s blessing we had another successful year. It had been a great honor for us to be given the opportunity to help the school as the deputy head girls for 2019. We have come a long way as the deputies of the school and the position has helped us become better people. It feels like as if it was just yesterday that the year had begun. It is sad to leave such an amazing school with many loving staff of 2019. We faced many difficulties throughout the year while organizing events and helping other students however, the support of our teachers and classmates helped us overcome these challenges.

This year has been filled with happiness as well as sadness. After the shooting took place in Christchurch, the support we received from everyone in the community was extremely heart touching. The love and support we had really made us feel tremendously strong. Our biggest achievement was hosting the assembly for the victims of Christchurch as we are the largest Muslim school in Auckland. Many guests from Air New Zealand were invited along with other chief guests. Meanwhile as deputies and students, we had learnt a lot about respecting others' differences and supporting others irrespective of our ethnicity.

This year, we received immense love and kindness from everyone around us however, we were saddened by the loss of our beloved teacher Ustadah Rabia, our Urdu, Arabic and Qur'aan teacher. Because of her, many today are able to recite the Qur'aan with Tajweed and Makhraj and learn new languages too. We pray Allah (s.w.t) grants her the highest place in Jannah. Ameen!

At the very beginning we were all amazed by a new year being started, not knowing what was coming our way. As we leave here today with good memories whether it be getting into trouble with overdue assessments or staying in during lunch time, we would like to thank all the teachers of Al- Madinah School for supporting us and guiding us in every step. We would like to thank the Assistant Principal Ustadah Zaim along with our fellow students for choosing us to lead the council. The student council team: Ustadah Veena, Ustadah Rukshana and Ust Zakira for guiding us in carrying out our roles perfectly. Our subject teachers: Ustadahs Shabina Ali, Shabina Nabijan, Deepa Singh, Veena Khan, Moveena Rasheed, Zabina Khan, Nazmeen Zaim, Shafina Mohammed and Ustadah Shirin Sultana. Without their encouragement and belief in us, we would have never reached this beautiful ending. Alhamdulillah! Lastly also would like to thank our class teacher Ustadah Zabina for always being there for us through thick and thin, helping us and guiding us to the right path.

Furthermore, we would also like to ask for forgiveness of every student and teacher, if we have not done our jobs properly or if we have ever offended or hurt anyone. May the next year be filled with happiness In sha Allah!

Jazakallah

Mariyam Aljaf & Faaizah Mohammed.

Year 1 Hub

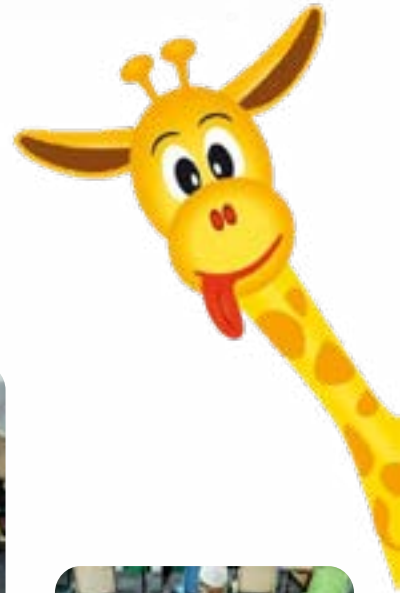


The students in Year One Hub shared their highlights for this year:

- Swimming
- Painting
- Shared lunch
- Trips to Kelly Tarltons, Zoo and Butterfly Creek
- Doing reading activities on iPad
- Constantly changing classroom environment
- Different seating arrangements
- Learning about pollution and how to take care of the environment
- Learning about animals
- Making new friends
- Learning new surahs and Islamic etiquettes
- Learning how to pray Salah
- PE coaching lessons with Counties Manakau
- Class assembly
- Pet visit to our class: kitten and chicks



The Creative C36 2019!



Puzzling
Over
puzzles



Water
safety



We are also
mammals



YEAR 3 HUB



School Trips



Pacifica Celebration



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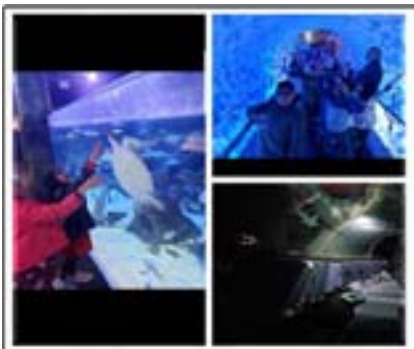
Eid Celebration



Assembly



Digital Technology



School Camp



Awards



School Events



Super fabulous sharky sleep over camp at Kelly Tarltons.

**YEAR 4
ROOM-AU7**



CRAZY ZOO Trip

FUNNN!!!
Bake off competition



The Majestic AU10



STEM-Catapult project



Zayaan's presentation of simple circuit



Teaching vocab using Kahoot



STEM investigation on healthy chips



Making T-shirt bags for Technology



Mentoring was a highlight this year



Rainbow Bridge Wait



Kayaking was chilling



Investigating algorithms

AU10,
You have been my source of inspiration. I loved being your teacher. How fast the year has gone. I have come to love you all. You all light up my life. I mean that sincerely. I am proud that each one of you are independent, confident learners who are ready to explore the rest of your education journey with the 21st century skills. All the best for 2020.

Farzana Bano



AU14

2019 was a fun filled year for AU14. We did a lot of outdoor activities, as well as indoor learning. These are a few of the many things that we did this year.



Trip to the zoo, learning with about the Kiwi.



White water rafting at Vector Wero.



Learning Maths hands-on activities.



We had a great assembly.



Boys doing the Haka



Girls showing us some Poi moves.



Learning some new skills in the water.



Labaik Allahumma Labaik... lets make tawaf around the Ka'baa.



Amazing activities at our day camp, in Hunua ranges.

Room AU 15's Journey through 2019

The Great Outdoors



Assembly



Hands on



Cricket

Our Year 5 and 6 boys had a wonderful cricket season this year. The cricket tournament took place at Centre Park in Mangere. Our boys played their very best and were runners-up.



Year 5 and 6 Speech competition 2019

The Year 5 and 6 speech competition was held in week 7 of Term 3. Students worked hard to come up with topics and worked even harder on the content of the speeches. The selection for the participants was a difficult task for the teachers but a few speeches really stood out.

The winners were:

1st – Aadil Ali Khan- AU14

2nd- Mohammed Ubaid Tasleem- AU14

3rd- Zeeshan Ali- AU15



The amazing audience



The Participants



The Winners!!



Our winners then went on to compete in the Mangere Otahuhu zone competition. Aadil Ali Khan (AU14) was the winner in this competition.



Primary School Sports

Alhamdulillah 2019 was another successful sporting year for our school. The Primary school students participated in different inter-school sports tournaments during the year. They participated in swimming, cricket, netball and athletics. Some Year 5 and 6 students were lucky to attend Girls Day Out and Boys Day Out programme where they played different sports provided by Counties Manukau. In Term four, Year 5 boys and girls went for Have a Go Day where they had the opportunity to try different sports as well. This year primary students received free trips to Vector Wero White Water Park, Butterfly Creek and Hunua Falls for Day Camp.

In Term four, Counties Manukau hosted a sports day for the Primary school students at our school.

Athletics Day was successfully done in Term one at House Park. Primary school Cross Country was held at House Park from weeks 7-9 in term three.

Swimming lessons for all primary students continued at Mangere Leisure Centre. Years 5-8 students received coaching in various sports from Counties Manukau from Term one-four while Years 1-4 students received coaching in Terms one-three.

Fitness programme from 8:10 to 8:20 in the mornings continued this year. It is good to see so many students coming early to join the programme.

Jazak Allah to the teachers, support staff and parents for their support

Achievements

Cricket

Boys team – 2nd

Girls team – 5th

Netball

Year 5 Girls team - 11th

Year 6 Girls team - 9th

Boys team - 7th

Swimming - 7th

Cross Country

Year 6 Boys – 2nd

Rehana khan



Literacy Week 2019



We celebrated Literacy Week again this year with a range of activities encompassing reading, writing, oral language and drama. Students had a wonderful time designing posters, bookmarks, presenting speeches as well as participating in spelling and quiz competitions. We ended the week by dressing up as our favourite book character for the character parade. We look forward to another fun Literacy Week in 2020.

👑 Year 7G 👑

Year 7G is the class to see, almost everybody is scared of a bee.

Rabiya Iqbal - Always hides her talent.

Juwairyah - Is always zestful and is never in a mess.

Amina - She can roast anyone anytime, you can't beat her.

Rainah - Roaming all around the class with her crazy thoughts.

Rabiah Alam - Likes to try new things.

Sahira - Always tries and never gives up.

Yalaa - Always wants to eat biryani but acts like a bhuriya Nani.

Zuynub L. - Communicates so well you'd be listening to her stories continuously.

Saarah - From the first step she takes into the class there goes her scream which is so beaming don't forget she is terrifically crazy.

Zainab F. - Really good at being year 7G's class monitor.

Mishal - Is very humorous. She's incredibly good at picking dares for people.

Sameeha - Cutest one of all, with her baby accent.

Waniya - What would we have ever done without Waniya's Laila entertainment?

Ameera - Always makes it up to people by her amazing candies.

Aliya - She is just an amazing human that can't say no to anyone.

Nazeefah - Always wants to take part in everything.

Shabana - OMG she is just so obsessed with treating herself with amazing products.

Zahra - she is soooooo quiet but man she writes great stories.

Habeeba - Is so quiet and shy but people don't know how fast she can run.

Dua - Is quiet on the outside but the ideas she forms inside are fascinating.

Zaahirah - Always has a good sense of style for scarves.

Muskaan - Always has a good sense of style with clothes.

Ustada Bibi Salmah:

S - She is always teaching us to rise up instead of falling down.

A - Always erasing the negative and multiplying the positive.

L - Leading us to always create and explore.

M - Making us feel like her own daughters

A - Always helping us to escape failure and grasp success.

H - Has always been educating us in new and exciting ways.

This just makes us realize how much every student needs a teacher like Ust Bibi Salmah

We all had great and fantastic times together!!

CLASS OF 2019

Year 8 Girls



Oil Painting



Trip to the Howick village



Back row: Kulsum, Azka, Sana, Siddiqah, Zunairiya, Simrah, Fatimah, Khadijah, Shahana, Ruqiyah, Afsarah, Laeaba, Nishat and Saaliha

Front row: Aribah, Suhaylah, Saamia, Ustadah Rukshana, Ayesha, Ghania and Salihah

Year 9g in a Nutshell..

Zaynab Khan



Sometimes you have to run before you walk
(Tony Stark)

Rimsha Fatima



I had an extremely busy day converting oxygen into carbon dioxide.

Aiysha Saif



I'm on a seafood diet, I see food and I eat.

Humaira Jannat



And he is with you wherever you are"
-Quran {57:4}
Knowledge is life and a cure"-Imam
\LI {AS}
f you are sincere you will be successful
- Imam Ali AS

Sarah Sahib



Create your own magic

Laeeba Dean



Just keep it lowkey~☾

Aliza Aiyaz



SDKJGFDSJG

Laeeba Sahib



Reality called so I hung up

Fatima Sheikh



Your secrets are safe with me... I wasn't even listening

Ustadah Shafina



Teaching is a walk in the park... if that park is Jurassic Park

Salmaa Alam



I wonder if clouds look down at us and say: "hey that one's shaped like an idiot"

Tanisha Mohammed



Um, OK?

Iqra Nabeeha



So what if this life isn't perfect, it's not Jannah (nouman Ali Khan)

Jubayeda Jannat



I'm not clumsy. It's just the floor hates me, the tables and chairs are bullies & the wall gets in my way!

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Yr 10g:
CLASS PROFILE

BE CLASSY LIKE- *Zaakirah*
BE SARCASTIC LIKE- *Faariah*
BE INTERESTING LIKE- *Fazilat*
BE THOUGHTFUL LIKE- *Shagufta*
BE STYLISH LIKE- *Rukaiyah*
BE CREATIVE LIKE- *Faazleen*
CREATE DESIGNS LIKE- *Zaara*
BE CARING LIKE- *Maariyah*
BE JOKING LIKE- *Nazhtaan*
BE LAUGHING LIKE- *Naashreen*
BE WEIRD LIKE- *Humairaa*
BE DRAMATIC LIKE- *Sadiyyah*
BE LOST LIKE- *Aliyyah*
BE ENTERTAINING LIKE- *Faatimah*



Friends

YEAR 11G: Opinions

Aliyah Asif: Social media is affecting our relationships and also decreases the quality of interpersonal communication.

Farah Nisha: Teens experiencing depression need a lot of help and support at home and school as it can lead to mental health problems.

Fazilat Khan: In order to assist people to live with each other in a peaceful, loving and kind environment in which both Muslims and non-Muslims feel safe together, the media must stop its inaccurate and discriminatory representation of Muslims and Islam.

Humaira Mehzabeen: Euthanasia should not be legalised. As a family, the best thing to do for a loved one who is dying is to be there for them and give them good memories in their last days and not think of euthanasia.

Khatijah Zaheer: Communities should spread awareness in schools to our future generations and current generation about plastic pollution in the ocean or else there will be more garbage patches floating around and no marine animals inhabiting the oceans.

Naaila Shah: Nutrient - dense food is undeniably beneficial for people's health, but it is also expensive and so people are opting to buy less expensive food, which is not healthy and can lead to obesity.

Romana Ali: There are many negative effects of cosmetic surgery such as its high cost, the complications that can occur and how easy it is to get addicted. There is always a risk of undergoing surgery, and most of the time it does not go as planned.

Shagufta Ahmed: Teenagers are not socialising as much as they are supposed to in-person, instead they are doing it electronically and this has been increasing in the past few years.

Shaza Ali: Child marriage is an issue that is occurring all over the world, ruining the lives of innocent children. Children have big, daring dreams, yet for too many children around the world, those dreams are cut short when they are married off before they can even make it to adulthood.

Zafria Ali: People should not treat social welfare benefit as something that will provide for them no matter what; those people who are able to do things for themselves should be able to provide for themselves and actually learn the hard work that it takes to earn and provide for themselves.

Madeeha Faizah: Media bullying can cause long lasting problems since it is done anonymously and it would be hard to find who is behind the screen. It is one of the biggest problems teenagers are facing today.

Shaleia Bibi: People get really attached to their homes because so many memories happened there. I think we are like this because we get attached to things and can't let go.

Alisha Ali: "The Maze Runner" is a novel I feel is very relatable to many of us today as it is a reminder to us about the environment we live in.

Riyah Ali: Overall, I think the novel "The Whale Rider" is truly inspirational in a way due to the themes. Pai is a strong, hard working girl and is not a quitter, which makes her different from the rest of the children of her generation.

Careers Department: Students at work experience

The following students from year 13 did 5 days of work experience at Air New Zealand as part of Air New Zealand Aircraft Engineering Work Experience Programme. This programme gave students the opportunity to work on Aeroplanes and decide whether they would like to take up a careers in Engineering. Congratulations to Faaizah Mohammed for being accepted into the Air New Zealand Aircraft Engineering apprenticeship for 2020.



Mariyam Aljaf (13G)



Faaizah Mohammed (13G)



Adhaan Feroz (13B)

Leadership seminar by New York Fire Department (FDNY) held at Auckland Airport



New York Fire Department



Group discussion

“ I have learnt about what makes a good leader – being a good listener, be a voice for others, sharing responsibilities, and team work.” Aayesha Ali (13G)

“On Friday, the 6th of September, we attended an event to listen to firefighters who were present during the events of the 9/11. We heard many interesting stories regarding what they did to get to where they are now. They taught us the skills to be a leader, which includes charisma, friendliness and being humble. They told us that to be a leader it is important to have the trust of those you are leading which means it is important to be liked and not feared. The most important advice which stuck with me was you cannot be a leader without a team and that you cannot be a team without your members.” Mariyam Aljaf (13G)

Secondary Girl's Highlights 2019



Humairaa Saheb 10G with her mentees



Mentoring-Greet and Meet session



IWCNZ AL-Madinah Netball coaches and managers Zakira and Rukshana with parent supporters



IWCNZ Al-Madinah Junior and Youth team winners with their trophies



Al-Madinah School Netball- Youth and Junior team celebrating their win



Pedal programme for Intermediate-the training session



Pedal programme- 'The Race'



Gardening in school

Secondary Girl's Highlights 2019



Environment Week - Community Clean-up.



Vigil for Christchurch Victims March 2019 – Kia Kaha Christchurch “We are One”

Secondary Girl's Highlights 2019



Crochet classes with Lissy Cole



Trip to MOTAT for Social Studies - Changing Nature of Technology Learning session.



Secondary Girl's Highlights 2019



In school Camp by Sir Peter Blake Camp.



123 Tech Regional Competition. Students participated in a Dragons Den style competition, sharing their problem and digital solution.

Secondary Girl's Highlights 2019



Cultural Performances by year 7-10 girls. From left: Fijian Meke, Samoan Sasa, Maori Poi and Ocean Movements.



Graduating Class of 2019 – Year 13

Intermediate School Winning Speech by Kulsum Husain

Racism:

Let me begin with a story- an elder was teaching his grandchildren about life. He said to them “a fight is going on inside of me. It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One wolf is evil, he is resentable, jealous and negative. The other is good, he is positive, peaceful and mindful.” The grandchildren thought about it for a minute and then one asked his grandfather “which wolf will win?” The elder smiled and replied, “which ever wolf I feed.” Now the good wolf are the values that teach us love, compassion and acceptance, whereas the evil wolf is racism. Now before we labelled ourselves by geographical lines on a map, we were simply homosapiens. Homo means the same. As a saying goes “before becoming a Muslim, a Sikh, a Hindu or a Christian, let us become a human first”. We must encourage each other to see the person not the race, to see the person not the religion, to see the person not the hijab, the turban or the cross. You see from a young age we are force fed these racial jokes, racial slurs, racial stereotypes and eventually we swallow them.

We digest them and accept them. It's so easy to meet someone and before they've even uttered a single word we have made an assumption about them. We've given into a racial stereotype. We must deal with this behaviour. Every year in New Zealand around 400 people make formal complaints to the police about racism they've faced. Imagine what would happen if we stopped giving our time and attention to racism. If we stopped the nods of approval at racial slurs, the laughing at racist jokes and the subconscious racial stereotyping. There would be no conflicts. For feeding racism creates divisions; divisions breed resentment and resentment starts conflict. We would realize there is no superior race. We are all equal. If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you prick us, do we not bleed, if you poison us, do we not die? In the end we all belong to one race, that is the human race. We are not black or white, we are one. **It shouldn't take 51 lives for us to finally come together. It shouldn't take 51 lives for us to finally realize that racism still lives in New Zealand.** I urge you when you witness a racist remark do not disembark. Hold your kiwi stature and do not belittle its nature. Do not laugh or nod or carry along. Simply lay claim to its status, give it the name racist. Now do not hold defiance in what is your own racial bias. If you catch yourself having a racist thought, whip out this quick retort. Every day a fight is going on inside of you. It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. We all have a choice whether to feed the wolf of love, compassion and acceptance or the wolf of racism and resentment. So now I ask you which wolf would you feed?



*Intermediate Zonal Speech winners –
Kulsum Husain - 1st
Adam Landi - 3rd*



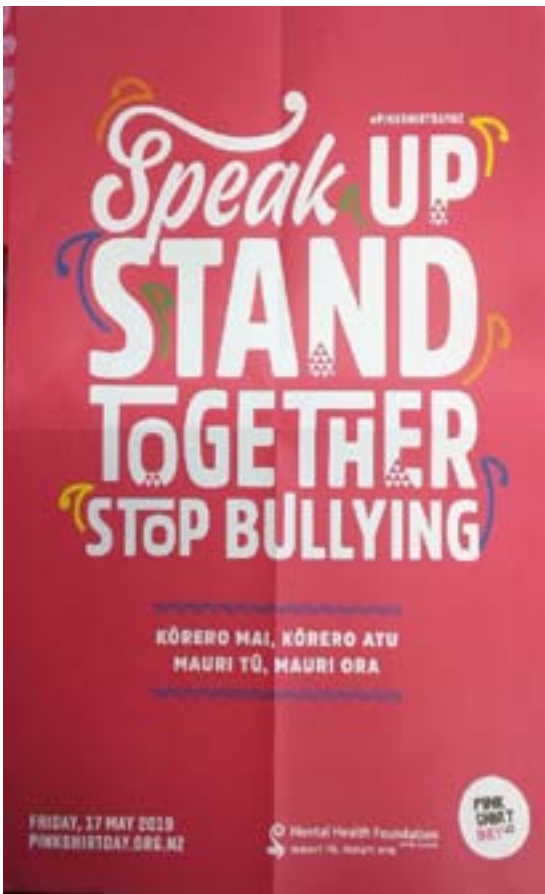
Azka Ghaznavi 8G, Kulsum Husain 8G and Laeaba Khan 8G



Adam Landi 7B, Hanzala 8B and Huzaiyah 7B

Anti-Bullying

Pink Shirt Day



We participated in Pink shirt Day 2019 by wearing pink hijabs to show our support against bullying. Each class presented a short item in relation to bullying with strong messages about how to respond to bullying and safe ways to deal with bullying. We also had presentations by the senior students and school counsellor.

Trip to Stardome

This year as one of the secondary girls' EOTC we visited Stardome Observatory & Planetarium. During this amazing day, everyone was very entertained and focused on the experience. All the students were engaged in what we were learning during the presentation by the facilitator. Students participated in a scavenger hunt and we searched for the answers within the posters in the Stardome foyer. The most exciting part of the trip would have to be getting the chance to experience the virtual reality simulation of space and to learn about the many moons and natural disasters that take place on other planets. We thoroughly enjoyed our experience, and hope to visit again.



Al-Madinah Secondary Boys

Highlights 2019



Athletics Week
Tanzil Yr11B practicing for the High Jump



Howick Historical Village
Year 7 & 8 boys - Eyes upfront boys



Environment Week
Year 8 boys helping to keep our Environment Clean and Green



Math Week
Looks like it's taking a little too long to solve this Math problem



Islamic Week
Secondary Boys dressed in their best, listening intently to a Bayaan



Motat

Year 9 Boys won't let the rain ruin their fun



Secondary Boys Production 2019

Zubair (yr11) & Abdullah (yr10) look worried. What could be troubling them?



Peer Mentoring

Fazeel (yr13) giving his student a helping hand with his reading



Stardome

Wait Shawaiz (yr9) don't go out to space yet! It's almost lunch time!



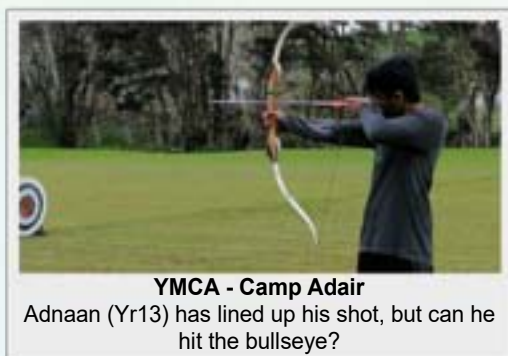
Counties Manukau Football

Al-Madinah first XI boys Football team and Staff celebrating after a good game



Vector Wero Whitewater Park

The boys don't know what's up ahead. Shhh...don't tell them



YMCA - Camp Adair

Adnaan (Yr13) has lined up his shot, but can he hit the bullseye?

AI-MADINAH LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

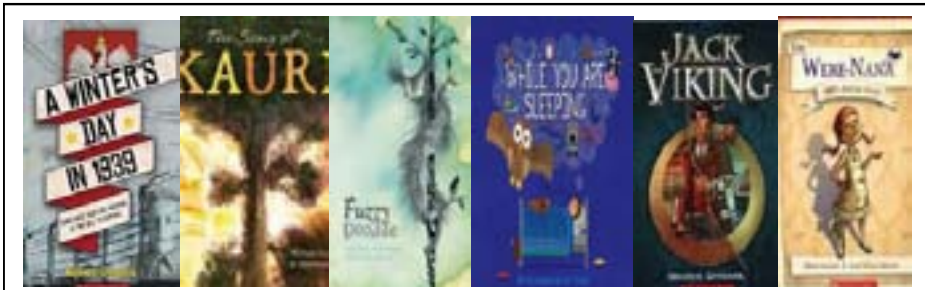
Al-Madinah school biannual celebration of Book Week is an essential part in developing love and passion for reading in our students. Another Book Week has gone by with visits from the two wonderful New Zealand authors, Vasanti Unka and Melinda Szymanik.



Books are my friends! So many children's books are timeless pieces of art; I crawl into their landscapes and live in the worlds they create. I draw inspiration from all that is winsome, wild and ingenious (Vasanti Unka).



Never underestimate the power of a good picture book.... A good picture book provides a complete experience. A picture book is not 'easy' or 'simple' even when it is easy and/or simple to read. Do not underestimate what lies beneath (Melinda Szymanik).



Both writers have brought a lot of inspiration as they talked to the students about their work, providing lots of advice and encouragement for young writers/illustrators.



Other activities included 'teacher swap', 'parents and grandparents reading sessions', Al-Quran Report Writing, 'Design a Book Cover or Book Marks'.

A tribute to Ustadah Rabia Patel

Inna lillhi wa inallah –e-raji’-oon.

On Wednesday, 27th November 2019, our dearest Ustadah, colleague and friend, Ustadah Rabia, passed away at Auckland hospital. Ustadah had joined Al-Madinah school in 2010 to teach Quran, Islamiyat and Urdu. This page traces her journey at Al-Madinah.

She came to Al-Madinah - an Aalimah with a passion
To spread the Deen of Islam
To use the knowledge Allah had blessed her with
To improve the life of others
To humbly and gently guide.

A role model she was to her students and colleagues
To imitate, to grow and succeed in Urdu and Quran.
Fair, friendly, cool and calm she made study a pleasure
Her talent she used to motivate and inspire.

Her childlike happiness and infectious laughter
Filled our staffroom with joy
And the lessons she gave at lunchtime
On tenets that needed to be explained
Made us all wonder at one so young and yet so wise.

We remember how numb we felt that day
We heard she had passed away.
Too soon, too soon dear friend you were called to rest
But we try to understand that Allah knows best.

We regret we could not say goodbye,
hold your hand
Or comfort you in your distress.
It is so hard to understand dear friend that we will see you no more

Not hear your jokes nor your sweet voice raised in nasheeds.

“Karem mangati hoon
Rahem magati hoon
Illahi main tujhse dua mangati hoon. “

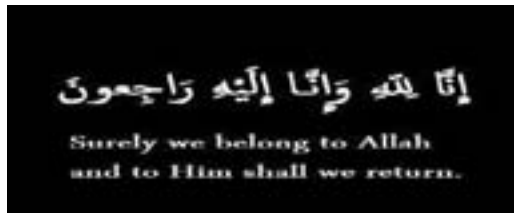
We miss your face all lit up with glee
When your sports team, Badr, had victory
Your teasing words still echo in our ears
Your shadow lingers on
Your whispers hang in the air.

We thank Allah for having had you in our midst
Even though for such a short time.
For each of us you were special in many different ways
Having touched our lives with your beautiful Aklaq

You will forever be in our hearts and memories
Forever remembered in the halls of Al-Madinah
Forever remembered as a beautiful soul
So sincere, so thoughtful, so soft and oh so kind.

May Allah in his infinite mercy fulfill
Your many Dua, hopes and aspirations for your beautiful daughters
And grant Sabar-e- jameel to your husband and family
May the Almighty grant you dear Ustadah Jannat –ul –Firdosh
Keeping you forever in his care and protection.

TRIBUTE CHRISTURCH MOSQUE VICTIMS



Alhamdo Lilla-he Rabbil Aalmeen wal Aa-qebato Lil mattaqeen was sala-to was Sala-mo Ala Rasoo-lehi Mohammadinw-wa Aa-lehi wa As-ha-behi wa Ahle baitehi wa Az-wa-jehi wa Zurriya-tehi Ajma-een. Be-rahmateka ya Arhamar Rahemeen.

As history unfolds 15th of March 2019 will be remembered as one of New Zealand's "darkest days".

On Friday 15 March 2019, a gunman entered two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand. He shot 91 people, killing 51 and wounding 40. A number of other people were physically injured, and a large group of New Zealanders and the world watched the video of the attack, which was livestreamed and shared widely on Facebook.

The distress related to the attacks was not limited to those living in Christchurch. Many people throughout New Zealand and around the globe were profoundly shocked and saddened by this horrific act of violence including the family of Al-Madinah School.

While vigils were being held across Aotearoa, subsequently, one was also held at Al-Madinah School on 20th March 2019 in remembrance of our beloved fallen brothers and sisters.

- We had Hon Phil Goff – Mayor of Auckland
- Member of Parliament, Melissa Lee and Mr Kanwaljit Bakashi
- Former MP of Labour Party, Ashraf Chaudhary
- President of FIJI Muslim League, Br. Abdul Aziz, and many more dignitaries and the members of the community attended to show their heartfelt condolences and sympathy to the family of the victims and the Muslim community at large.

“Al-Madinah initiative” was initiated by Mr. Rick Pickard, General Manager John Walker Find Your Field of Dreams Foundation, after the incident in Christchurch on 15th of March 2019. As you, all know the whole world was stunned by the events of Friday 15th of March 2019 and our community and the students were badly affected as well. There was anguish and uncertainty on the faces of children and staff at Al-Madinah School. We all know that parents were also experiencing the same.

A few phone calls, some emails and some shoulder tapping by Mr. Rick Pickard followed and South Auckland showed that it was “all good in the hood’ and those approached took the opportunity to be part of the “Al Madinah Initiative”.

Mr. Rick and his Alliance came up with a fun- filled package for the school to help the staff and students of Al-Madinah overcome the distress and anguish caused by the Christchurch attack.

The school had a special flag raising ceremony and a thanks-giving programme for Mr. Rick Picard and his Alliance on 28th of November 2019.

On behalf of the organizing committee & the stake holders of Al-Madinah School

I would like to say Thank You New Zealand.

Special Achievements

Secondary Dux 2019

Mariyam Aljaf

Secondary School Outstanding Student of the Year, 2019

Mariyam Aljaf
Adnaan Obaidullah Feroz

Primary Dux 2019

Aadil Ali Khan

Sports Awards Primary 2019

Cricket Players of the Year

Mikhail Abdullah Khan
Iman Qureshi

Soccer Players of the Year

Aadil Voges
Tayyibah Saheb

Best Swimmers of the Year

Mohammed Akmal Yusuf
Aamina Abdul Majit

Netball Players of the Year

Mohammed Aariz Janif
Arfa Ali

Athletics Award

Mahmuud Maimuun Aljaf
Arfa Adifah Ali

Achievement Award for Cross country

Tayyibah Saheb
Mohammed Akmal Yusuf

NCEA Top Achievers for 2018

Level 1:

Bilal Aslam Memon

Level 2:

Mohammed Almaz Ikram

Level 3:

Aishah Bangi

Scholarships 2019 AUT Scholarship award

Aayesha Ali
Asmah Ishrat Bano

Auckland Airport Education Scholarship

Asmah Ishrat Bano

University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Entrance Scholarship

Asmah Ishrat Bano

University of Otago Dux Scholarship

Mariyam Aljaf

Manukau Institute of Technology Partnership Scholarship

Mohammed Fazeel Khan

SPECIAL AWARDS

Problem Challenge- Certificate of Merit

Rabiya Iqbal
Zainab Fatima
Aadam Yahya Landi
Mohammed Umair K

ICAS (University of New South Wales)

Credit Award

Rabiya Iqbal
Zainab Fatima
Aadam Yahya Landi

Award for growing in New Zealand Challenge

Humairaa Saheb
Faazleen Nisha Khan
Sadiyyah Ali
Abdullahkhan Pathan
Zaim Zaki Samir
Bazaan Ghaznavi

Ibaid Rahim

Auckland Primary Principal's Association Zonal Speech Competition-Winner

Kulsum Husain

New Zealand Spelling Bee Auckland Regional Finalist

Humairaa Saheb
Zaakirah Zahra Nisa

ICAS English Credit Award

Fazilat Khan

Merit Award

Fatimatuz Zahraa