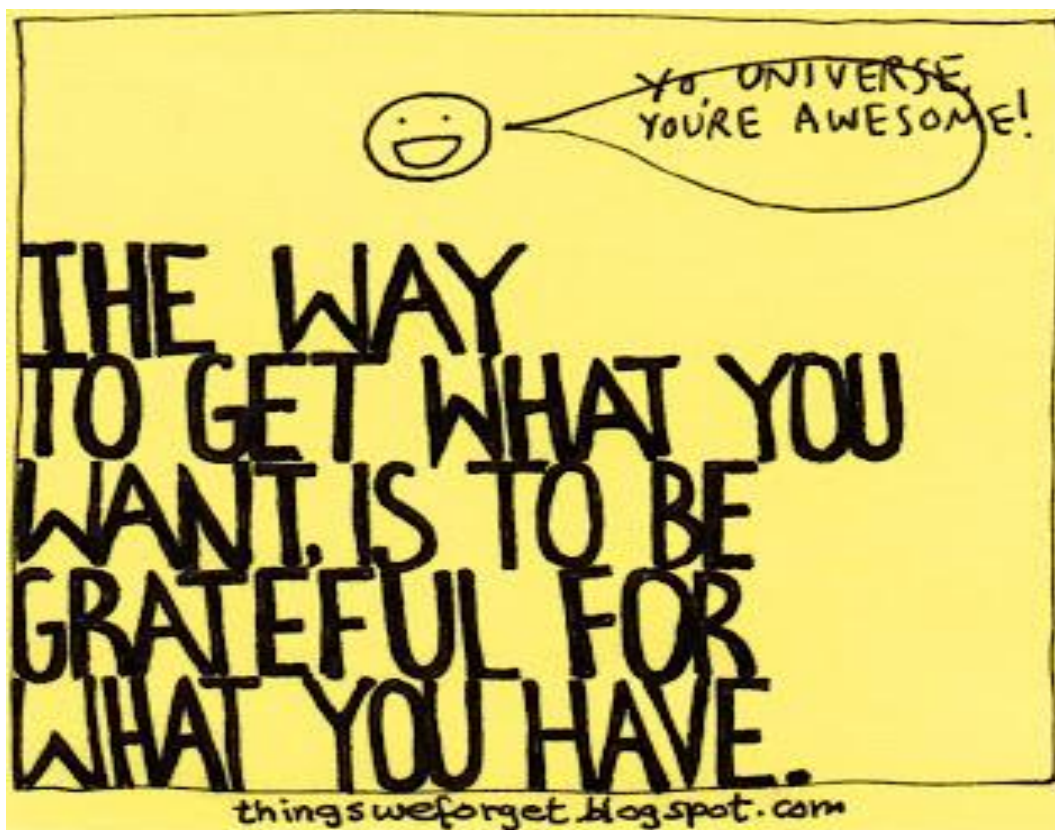


Elementary School  
Home-School Connection



November 2013

## Message from Sister Bibi Baksh, Elementary School Instructional Leader

### School Policy Reminders:

- The same students continue to come late. We are asking that parents make a greater effort in leaving home a bit earlier.
- Parents should not plan vacations during the school year unless it is during a break. With Thanksgiving coming up, I am reminding parents not to book extended vacations that will prevent their children from attending school. The break is from Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.
- If you have received a letter to meet with your child's teacher, it is imperative that you do so.



**Summer Reading:** On Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, we will have a small celebration for students who completed Summer Reading. We will have ice cream and/or cake. The Principal will also give them a certificate.

**Curriculum Update:** All teachers have sent home updates for November and/or December. Please request a copy from your child's teacher if you are still in need of it.

**Special Thanks:** We are extremely grateful to all who contributed to the playground. May Allah SWT reward all of you.

**BrainPOP:** Please be reminded your child can log on to this site and watch great videos to supplement what he/she is learning in school. **Username:** yonkers26 **Password:** yonkers

### Student of the Month Achievers:

Grade	October
Pre-K	Malik Elbatrawish
K	Moshin Iftikhar
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Ammaar Shariff
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Waiz Aamir
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Manaar Gulrukh
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Maryam Rached
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Zahra Fatima Ali
Arabic Level A	Shanzay Bhatti, Grade 1*
Arabic Level B	Munaiza Syed , Pre-K *
Quran	Hashim Alomari, Grade 3*
Islamic Studies	Raesah Gafur, Grade 3*

\*Please note these awards are 1 per Elementary School, not per grade.

## Book of the Month is:



### Overview:

In a society where our children just seem to want everything everyone else has, it becomes quite challenging to teach them the value of being grateful for what they already have. This book is about a boy who wants shoes that everyone in school is wearing. He simply cannot see that he should be thankful for what he already has and the fact that his grandma is able to provide him with what he needs. But, he will soon learn a valuable life lesson.

**Teachers will be reading and discussing this book in all ES grades.**

Please contact Sister Susen Saeed with questions at: [ssaeed0527@gmail.com](mailto:ssaeed0527@gmail.com)

### Trips

In general, and not just at Andalusia, when the fire alarm sounds, students automatically think it is a fire drill. For this reason and to educate our children about fire safety, we are planning a trip to The New York City Fire Museum. Due to capacity requirements, we can only go in groups of 85 students. As a result, we have reserved December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. We will send you the details and permission slips very soon. You can visit <http://www.nycfiremuseum.org/education.cfm> for more information on the museum. If you have any questions regarding the trip, please contact Sister Sana Munassar at [smunassar90@gmail.com](mailto:smunassar90@gmail.com).

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