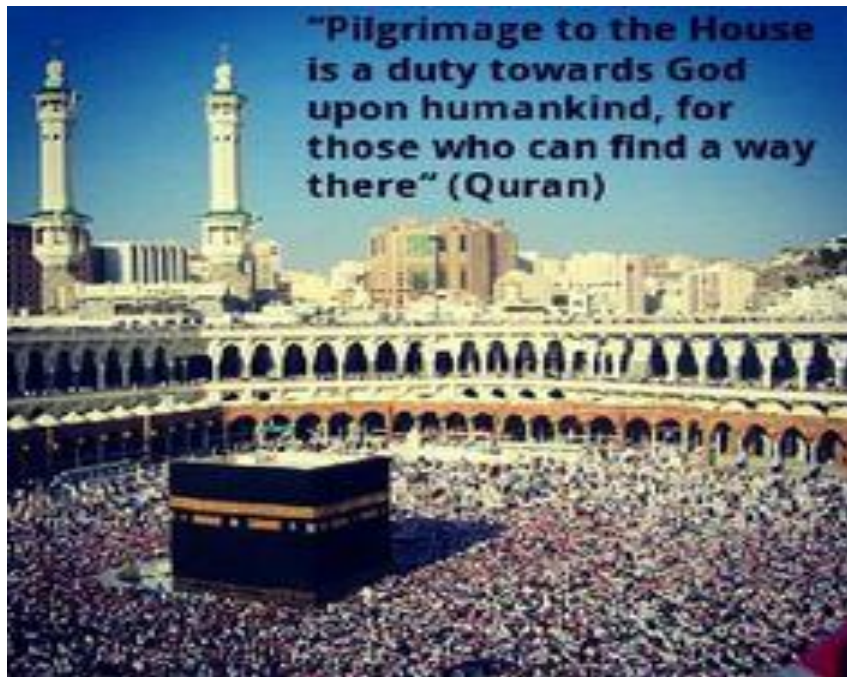




Elementary School Home-School Connection



September/October 2014

Message from Sister Bibi Baksh, Elementary School Instructional Leader

This school year has started with many new exciting additions. Please read below and make sure to contact me at bbaksh@andalusiaschool.org if you have any difficulties logging in.

1. You should have received log in information to **our school system, ALMA**. It will allow you to view the subject matters being taught and your children's grades as they are posted. <https://andalusia.getalma.com/>
2. You should have been **receiving homework via email from teachers. This is in addition to hard-copies.**
3. All students should have **received a username and password for thinkcentral.com**. They may log into our Science Fusion resources (K-5th). The site is interactive and a great way for students to review science lessons. Students will also have access to some literacy resources, including text, from our Journey's Curriculum (1st-5th) and Go math Curriculum (K-2nd).
<http://andalusiaschool.org/think-central/>

Policy Reminders:

Uniform: Many students, especially girls, are wearing inappropriate footwear. Please wear school colors: black or white. Also, jeans are not allowed even if they are school color. For details please visit the school website:
<http://andalusiaschool.org/dress-code/>

Parties: We do not allow parents to bring in cupcakes and treats for birthdays. Religiously, several parents do not wish their children to participate in birthday acknowledgement. Furthermore, some parents do not wish for their children to consume such products. Mainly, our goal is to use class time for instructions.

Classroom Visits. We are asking parents to remember to stop by the office for all business. Office staff will get your child if you need him/her.

Please visit our website for complete School Policies:
<http://andalusiaschool.org/general-policies/>



Student of the Month:
September 2014

Grade	Student
Pre-K	Zakaria Ceesay
Kindergarten	Fatima Salim
Grade 1	Sajidah Eideh
Grade 2	Khaled Nofal
Grade 3	Waiz Aamir
Grade 4	Dahlia Elgendi
Grade 5	Muhdee Nawab

Subject Award	Student
Arabic	Malek Elbatrawish, Kindergarten David Rafiq, Grade 2
Islamic Studies	Abdullah Eideh, Grade 4

Important Dates:

Student of the Month Breakfast: Friday, October 17th at 9:00am

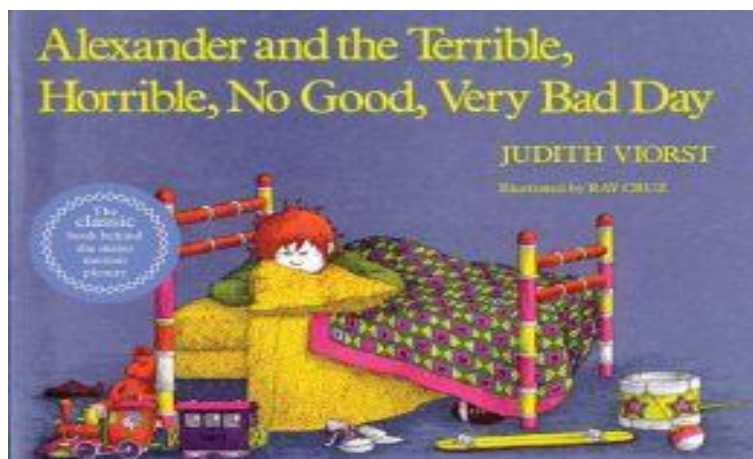
Photo of the event is available at: <http://andalusiaschool.org/student-of-month-awards/>

Surflight Theater at Andalusia School: Thursday, November 6th, 2014. Please sign permission slips and send payment. Ask teachers for slip if you are missing it. This is part of literacy class. We do have regular school. The theater is just for an hour before dismissal. Students will have class activity to meet common core standards.

Trip to the Children's Museum of Manhattan for Pre-K and Kindergarten:
Tuesday, October 21st, 2014

For School Calendar please visit: <http://andalusiaschool.org/news/>

Book of the Month:



We will be reading *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* by Judith Viorst. Alexander is a young boy whose day keeps getting worse. Alexander knew it was going to be a terrible day when he woke up with gum in his hair. His best friend deserted him. There was no dessert in his lunch bag. And, on top of all that, there were lima beans for dinner.

Inshallah on Thursday November 6, 2014 a group of actors from Surflight Theater will come to our school and perform this book as a musical for our elementary students.

Writer's Corner:

First Grader's responses to Book of the Month

Kareem Mahadeen

“When you find yourself having a bad day read a book. You can also count to ten.”

Sajidah Eideh

“When you find yourself having a bad day take a nap. You can also take a deep breath.”

Amina Durmic

“When you find yourself having a bad day take a walk at the park. You can also count to ten when you are mad.”

Zeina Ayyoub

“When you find yourself having a bad day watch t.v. or say Bismillah. You can also laugh and smile.”

You can always send me a message at bbaksh@andalusiaschool.org

