In the name of Allah, We Begin!

Assalamu Alaikum Dear Parents & Carers,
Welcome back to school everyone!! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday break, I know I did Alhamdulillah😊 Never the less we are happy and excited to be back at school and ready to fulfil the school motto of ‘Striving for Excellence’ in our faith and academic studies insha’Allah ta’ala.

MashaAllah all students look a little taller, and are of course a little smarter 😜 I thank Allah SWT everyday for giving me the opportunity to watch the children of New Madinah College grow and learn about that which will benefit their future and their hereafter in shaa Allah.

Alhamdulillah we have had such a great start to the 2019 year. The 2 new classrooms are coming along nicely and are due to finish soon insha’Allah. Teachers have not wasted anytime in getting students straight into learning Alhamdulillah. I would like to welcome Sheikh Ayad, Ms Shiema and Ms Amanda to the NMC team this year. We are very happy to have them on board and are confident in their abilities to provide a safe and quality learning environment for your children.

We hope to work together with parents in supporting your children. May Allah SWT bless us with a wonderful 2019 school year!

Jazakumallahu Khair – Ms Nada

Hadith

The Messenger of Allah (Peace and blessings be upon his) said: “Say Bismillah, eat with your right hand and eat what is in front of you.”
**CLASS LEARNING**

**AN INSIGHT INTO OUR GEMS WEEK OF LEARNING**

**K RUBY**

Assalamu Alaikum and welcome to 2019!!! I am very happy with our first 2 weeks of school as your children have adapted well to their new school routine and are getting along well with their new classmates. We have had a fun filled week filled with pom poms, glitter, wool, painting, bubble painting and much, much more. Hahaha I am sure if many parents (and the cleaning staff) saw our classroom at the end of the day they would be horrified with the amount of craft and games we have managed to fit into our room 😊; and the debris that has followed.

We have had a speedy start to our academic year and so far have already mastered our numbers to 5, and counting to 10 and over. We are currently exploring the letters L, T, F and J, capitals and lowercase and I think with a little more practice they will have these letters down pat.

Lastly, I do urge all parents to join seesaw as a lot of announcements and updates are send through this platform. Wishing everyone a safe and happy weekend!

Regards,

Kindergarten Ruby

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1/2 PEARL

Asalaamualaikum year 1/2 Pearl families,

Alhumdulillah, we are off to a good start to the year. The children have adjusted well to a new teacher and some of the other changes in the classroom. We have a beautiful bright alphabet mat which the children sit on for direct teaching and instructions so that they are all close and able to see and listen well. Students then go to the table groups to do their independent work.

This term we are learning about living things in Science. In History we are learning about change over time and the effect on humans. In Maths we are currently focusing on the number system and in CAPA we are looking at shape art. For PDHPE we are learning about how to be successful and trying a range of different games to get our bodies moving.

Please encourage your children to read everyday at home and support them to have a go at doing their homework independently. It’s better for them to make some mistakes and then seek help from you later. This will help your children to be better learners.

I pray you all have a safe and happy weekend. Ms Ellen

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3/4 EMERALD

Assalamu Alaikum,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Ms Amanda and I am the teacher for the Year 3 and Year 4 Emerald class. I have enjoyed getting to know the returning students and new students and letting them get to know a little bit about myself.

The students have shown a variety of talents and each student brings a different skill to each activity. Some students have neat handwriting, some excel at Mathematics, some have wide vocabularies in English and others are enthusiastic and talented on the sports field. It has been good to see the students working together and helping each other.

The class has been through the class expectations and knows the correct way that a safe and respectful Muslim should behave. We have written down the rules in our books and they are read out every day in the morning assembly. Homework will be a regular occurrence. Students will receive a homework sheet with activities every Monday and will have to hand their homework in on Friday morning. Some students still have not collected their homework, so I encourage them to do so before it becomes too late. Spelling tests are also completed on Friday mornings so students should write out their spelling words nightly.

To be kept up to date with class announcements or communicate with me, I encourage you to download Seesaw, it will assist in getting information to you regarding class work and assessments. Yours sincerely, Ms. Amanda
New Madinah Times
Term 1, Week 2

5/6 SAPPHIRE & 7/8 DIAMOND

MR ADRIAN

Assalamu Alaikum parents and families,

The year has started, and it has been good to see the smiling faces of the children. Their distinct personalities make it a pleasure to come to school each day knowing that I never know what is around the corner. Welcome also to the new students in my classes and their families. I have nothing but good things to say about these new students, who I won’t name to save them from embarrassment!

For these new families, or those who may have short memories, I am Mr. Adrian and I teach Stage 3 and 4. I am the English, History, Geography and PDHPE teacher. Ms. Shiema and I share these classes, although she focuses on Mathematics, Science, Creative Arts and Technology. The students have settled into class quickly, especially our Stage 4 class, which has doubled over the holidays. We are attempting to achieve high standards across the board including behaviour, bookwork, homework and assessment. This not only teaches them to be safe and respectful Muslim learners but also encourages them to reach high academically. Both classes have been informed of the expectations I have for them and have been placed in seating plans to encourage a more efficient learning environment. Both stages will have homework each week. Stage 3 will have a structured homework sheet given out each Monday whereas Stage 4 will have a spelling sheet to complete. Stage 4 may be provided more homework for my subjects where I believe there is a need, eg. If they have not completely understood a concept in class. This homework has a purpose and is intended to be completed on time, as indicated in their A5 green communication books.

Lastly, please ensure you are on Seesa. I will send out announcements more regularly once more parents join. These will centre around homework, assessments or examinations. It is also a means of contacting me personally if you have any information regarding your child that you think I should know.

Kind regards,
Mr. Adrian

MS SHIEMA

Assalamu alaikum families of Stage 3 and 4, My name is Ms Shiema and I am honoured to be teaching your children this year. Below is a little insight of the highlights of this week with Stage 3 and 4:

In week 2 stage 3 did very well in mathematics. Students covered place values, they worked in groups and enjoyed maths games which helped them understand the concept and discuss their answers with confidence. During art classroom, stage 3 were introduced to basic pencil drawing and different shading techniques which they have thoroughly enjoyed.

Stage 4 was exposed to the design process and its steps in TAS, they have been challenged to create a car with certain resources and came up with excellent ideas and varied designs. In science class stage 4 are learning about laboratory equipment and safety steps in the lab, as well as the structure of the scientific report.

If any of you have any questions or concerns please contact me through Seesaw, otherwise you may also contact the school and organise an appointment with me. I am excited to see the great work students can produce. Kind regards, Ms Shiema

Enjoying Arabic lessons
Alhamdulilah

Important Notice

NO HAT NO PLAY

Be aware of the strict No hat, No play policy. Students without a hat must sit in the shade during recess and lunch.

ORPHAN DONATIONS

New Madinah College is signed up with Muslim Aid Australia and sends money to Orphans most in need around the world each term. Encourage your child to think of those who are less fortunate and give them some change to put into the orphan tin in their class room.

NUT SMART

We are a Nut Smart College. Nut Smart means:
✓ CAN have a sandwich containing nuts
✓ CAN include nuts to snack on in your lunchbox
✘ CAN’T share my food

FOOD SHARING IS NOT ALLOWED
UPCOMING EVENTS

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Word Search Puzzle

There are 18 hidden words, can you find them?

SALAAT TIMES

FORTNIGHTLY