



## SURREY MUSLIM SCHOOL

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### Principal's Message



***Please remember to  
phone the school  
office before 8:30  
a.m. whenever your  
child is absent.***

***Please mention your  
child's name, grade  
and the reason of  
his/her absence.  
(604) 599-6608***

Asalaam Alaikum Dear Parents,

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Allah, we have completed the month of October without any Covid cases amongst our teachers or students. We ask Allah to protect all of us from harm. I ask all parents to continue to be diligent by filling out the SMS App Daily Check every day without fail. We have noticed that some parents send their children to school when they are not fully recovered from sickness. Please do not do this as we will isolate your child in our First Aid room and call you to pick up him/her up. It is not easy for any parents who work, but this is the proper procedure and will help us control the spread of any sicknesses. Allah willing, your diligence, coupled with our protocols, will help keep our staff and students safe and secure.

**Sugar-Free November:**

We ask that all parents comply with this initiative and not send any sugary treats or snacks during November. In fact, I am hoping that parents join us in this challenge and embrace this initiative in their homes. The teachers, administration, and of course the principal, will also give up sugar in November.

**Interim Report Cards:**

You should have received Interim Progress Reports from our teachers on Monday. This is not an official report card; however, its purpose is to provide a snapshot of how your child is doing thus far. Our teachers will be conducting in-person interviews with all of you starting this Thursday and Friday. Please book your appointments via the link sent through the SMS App. It is a new, fast, and easy procedure that we are adding this year.

**November Activities:**

November will feature a Spelling Bee for Grades 3 to 8. The teachers will administer the testing in their classes, and the final three students from each class will compete in the Gym at the end of the month. This activity is optional for all students. We want to enrich our students' year, without adding any pressure on them. The Arabic Bee will also be a part of our November campaign. It will follow the same format.



***If you have a  
change of  
address and  
phone number  
please inform  
the secretary.***

## Principal's Message

Travel during the year.

I am also noticing many requests to travel overseas during the school year. Please understand that the school discourages students from missing school for any extended period, even if the work is taken and completed during the trip. The government does not support us for 'distance learning.' If your children travel, they will be given the basic workbooks, but the report card will reflect the student(s) absence and minimal assessment. I do empathize and understand the need for families to travel, but the government does not make allowances and penalizes us for long-term absences.

Social media and online activity.

I would like all of you to be very careful with your children's online activity and screen time at home. We parents are allowing our children to connect with other students, and family members via social media, unsupervised. It may seem harmless, but we are learning about many problems involving profanity, inappropriate discussions between boys and girls, and cyberbullying as well. While we do our best to control these issues in school, we cannot control what the students do on their devices in their homes. That is the responsibility of all parents. Ultimately, parents need to check, monitor, and guide their children when they use Discord, Snapchat, You Tube, Online Gaming, Instagram, Tik Tok, and more.

On a connected note, please be aware that students in the older grades may be watching a show called **"Squid Game"** on Netflix which is rated mature and not for viewers under 17 due to profanity/swearing, inappropriate scenes and extreme violence which is used to entertain people in the movie. Concerns about the effects of this show are being raised all around the world, especially as kids as young as 6, have been acting out the violent scenes. Netflix in general has many "mature" shows that are inappropriate for adults, let alone kids. However, some students have unlimited access to all these shows at home, and we all need to take measures to ensure that they are not accessing Islamically inappropriate shows on any devices! InshaAllah, we will set up parent workshops at our school shortly to deal with such topics soon.

May Allah reward you all!

Mohammed Hussain

Principal - Surrey Muslim School

## Interim Report Card

Interim Report Card will be given out  
on Monday, November 1, 2021.



## School Closed



⇒ **Friday, November 5 , 2021:**  
**P/T Interview-Academic**

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⇒ **Thursday, November 11 , 2021:**  
**Public Holiday**

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⇒ **Friday, November 12 , 2021:**  
**Pro-D Day**



# Surrey Muslim School

Parent Teacher Interviews  
15 minutes



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Select staff (optional)

Anyone

4:30 pm	4:45 pm	5:00 pm
5:15 pm	5:30 pm	5:45 pm
6:15 pm	6:30 pm	6:45 pm
7:00 pm	7:15 pm	7:30 pm
7:45 pm	8:00 pm	8:15 pm

All times are in (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)

## Add your details

Name

Email

Address (optional)

Phone number

Please let us know if you have any special requests.  
Thank you.

Notes (optional)

Book

The Parent Teacher Interviews will be conducted at Surrey Muslim School. They will be held on Thursday and Friday this week. Please see the email and SMS App for instructions of how to book your interviews.

Thursday from 4:30 pm - 8:30 pm = Core and French Teachers

Friday from 2:30 pm - 8:30 pm = Homeroom Teachers

Please use the link below to book your child's appointment with his teacher.

Parent / Teacher Interviews Booking App:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/SurreyMuslimSchool@bcmaschools.ca/bookings/>

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# SPELLING BEE

**STARTING NOVEMBER 1st**

We are excited to announce our spelling bee competition for grades 3-8. The purpose of this is to help children improve their spelling, increase their vocabulary and develop correct English usage that will help them throughout their lives. Each class will send their 3 best spellers to the finals and one winner from each grade will be chosen at the end of November, inshallah. Students will compete in the gym in front of their classmates . . . but don't worry we will give them lots of support and encouragement!

All finalists will receive fantastic prizes and certificates. The spelling list for each grade has been given to all homeroom teachers who will hand them out to their students to practise at home and at school.

Please encourage your child to participate and give their best effort.  
Jazakallahu khairan.







# ARABIC SPELLING BEE



**Dear Parents,  
Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatu Allah wa Barakatuh,**

**It's Spelling Bee time! Our school Arabic Spelling Bee will be held  
in November 2021, at SMS and MYC.**

**Any student in Grades 1- 8 is eligible to participate. We will be  
providing the Spelling Bee Study List to all students who wish to  
participate.**

**Students must study over the weekends. If you have any  
questions, please contact Sr. Laila, Sr. Adla, Sr. Hiba, Sr. Hanna,  
Sr. Hanan or Br. Moustafa.**

**Jazakum Allah kula khair for helping make this year's Spelling  
Bee a success! Please return the portion signed with your  
student if he or she will be participating.**

# Sugar Free November



Together

we can be healthier

Surrey Muslim School is taking this one-month challenge to help us change our bad eating habits and help ourselves get closer to **healthy eating**. We all definitely found the month challenging in different ways.

For example, here are just a few of the challenges we may be faced:

- “What do I do if I’m at my aunties house and she’s made this amazing chocolate cake? You know chocolate cake is my favorite.”
- “What should I do at work if one of my colleagues has brought a cake for everyone?”
- “I’m so stressed and tired, guys I just need some chocolate.”
- “I had a bad day today, can’t I just have one bite?”
- “What else can I eat? I’ve eaten all my dates.”

## Tips to Keep You Motivated

- **Healthy intentions:** The key is always to remember your intentions and to know that your body is a gift from Allah (SWT) and that we should therefore be mindful in looking after our bodies.
- **Realize how blessed you are:** Having good health is a great blessing that Allah (SWT) has bestowed upon us and we should be abundantly thankful for such blessing.
- **Involve your friends:** Take up the challenge along with your friends so that you can all help motivate each other and learn from your experience together.
- **Find alternatives:** This month is not about feeling sad and low on what you cannot eat, rather finding healthy alternatives.

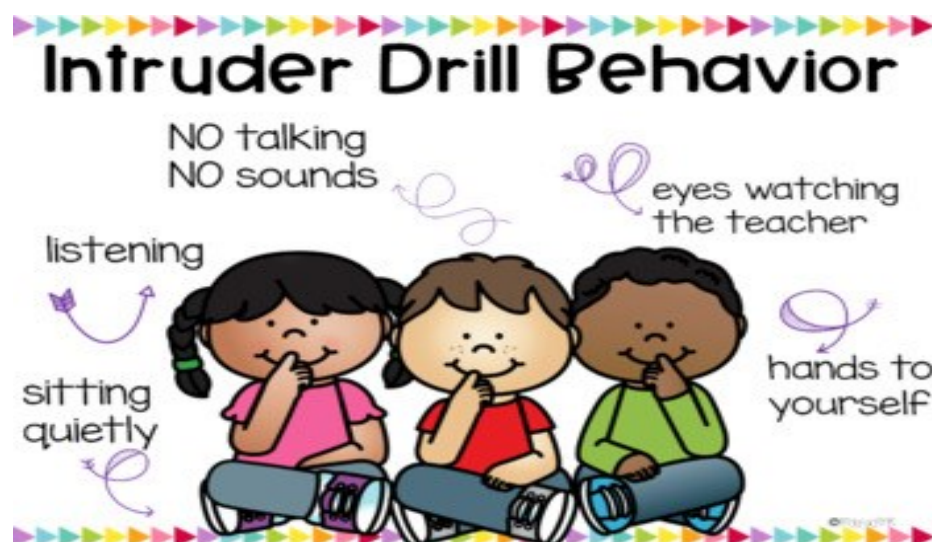
# Lockdown Drill



There will be a Lockdown Drill on November 23rd, this together with Fire Drills and Earthquake Drills are required by the Ministry of Education to help keep our children safe in an emergency.

For the little ones for whom it will be a first experience, your child's teacher will fully explain what will be done. Together with our school liaison officer, we will practice two drills. The "Lockout" Drill requires that the school doors be locked and the classroom doors are also locked.

"The Lockdown" Drill is for an incident where a dangerous person is inside the school for whatever reason. For this kind of incident, the children and staff hide in areas of the school where they can't be seen until the police arrive.





# Surah Luqman

## Parenting Tips



### Teach Them To Worship Allah Only

"And (remember) when Luqman said to his son when he was advising him: "O my son! Join not in worship others with Allah. Verily! Joining others in worship with Allah is great Zulm (wrong) indeed." (31:13)



### Tell Them The Place Of Parents

"And We have enjoined on man to his parents. His mother carried him, in weakness upon weakness, and his weaning is in two years. Be grateful to Me and to your parents; to Me is the (final) destination." (31:14)

### Tell Them To Work Hard & Trust Allah



"O my son! If it be (anything) equal to the weight of a grain of mustard seed, and though it be in a rock, or in the heavens or in the earth, Allah will bring it forth. Verily, Allah is Subtle Well-Aware." (31:16)

### Tell Them To Be Good & Offer Prayers



"O my son! Establish prayer, enjoin what is right, forbid what is wrong, and be patient over what befalls you. Indeed, that is of the matters (requiring) determination." (31:17)



# better individuals

# Virtue of the Month:

## Responsibility

Responsibility is one of the most key aspects of Islam. Everybody is responsible for doing such actions. Allah did not create us without any purpose.

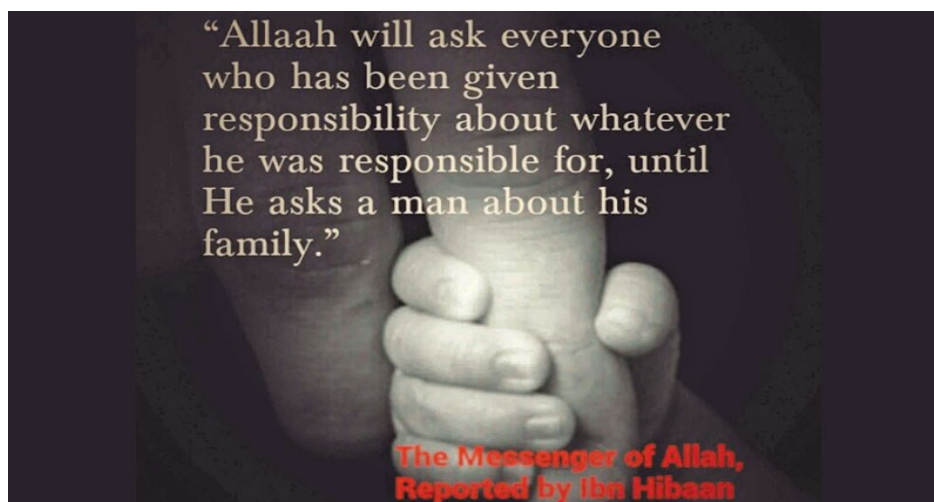
Abdullah ibn Umar reported: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, “Every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock. The leader of people is a guardian and is responsible for his subjects. A man is the guardian of his family and he is responsible for them. A woman is the guardian of her husband’s home and his children and she is responsible for them. The servant of a man is a guardian of the property of his master and he is responsible for it. No doubt, every one of you is a shepherd and is responsible for his flock.”

Source: Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī 6719, Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 1829

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# November 7th, 2021



## November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Interim Report Card Out Spelling Bee Starts (English/Arabic)	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> P/T Interviews Core Teachers (4:30 pm - 8:30 pm)	<b>5</b> P/T Interviews Academic Teachers (School Closed) (2:30 pm - 8:30 pm)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Last Day FSA	<b>11</b> Public Holiday (School Closed)	<b>12</b> Pro-D Day (School Closed)	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Grade 8 Field Trip to Victoria	<b>16</b> Grade 8 Field Trip to Victoria	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Hot Lunch	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Lockdown Drill	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Assembly	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Spelling Bee Final (English/Arabic)	<b>30</b>				