



# April Newsletter



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# السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

### Assalaamu Alaykum Warahmatullaah wa Barakaatuhu

Dear Parents/Guardians,

First and foremost, we thank and praise Allah in times of ease AND adversity. For only Allah in His infinite wisdom is in control of all circumstances.

It is with great sadness that we are unable to interact with our learners due to the rapid outbreak, Covid-19.

However, with the mercy and guidance of the Almighty, we at Islam4kids, are determined to remain as calm as possible during these testing times and we ensure you that our learners, your children, will not be deserted or forgotten.

Alhamdulillaah, we have worked out a contingency plan and will continue to do so in order to resume learning and teaching in the most comprehensive way possible.

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We make dua that the Almighty Allah protect all families and friends around the globe, grant good health and speedy recoveries and reward all who are patient and helpful during this time.

Remember, we are here for you and above all, Allah is too.

"and they plan, and Allah plans, and Allah is the Best of Planners." - Surah Al Anfal Ayah 30

"Do not grieve, indeed Allah is with us." - Surah Tawbah Ayah 40

- Shaakira Mohamed



Covid-19 is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus which emerged in China in December 2019. The spread of this new virus is monitored by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

This newly identified type of virus has caused a recent outbreak of respiratory illness. Symptoms include fever, coughing, aches and pains, sore throat and shortness of breath.

WHAT
ARE
THE
SYMPTOMS??

# HOW TO PREVENT IT?

Allah's Messenger



said:

"No Muslim is afflicted with harm because of sickness or some other inconvenience, but that Allah will remove his sins for him as a tree sheds its leaves." - SAHIH BUKHARI



- 1. **HANDS** wash them often
- 2. **ELBOW** cough into it
- 3. **FACE** don't touch it
- **4. SPACE** keep a safe distance
- **5. HOME** stay in it

CORONAVIRUS



**Provincial Hotline** 

021 928 4102 Operational 24/7

# دعاء للمريض | DUAA FOR CURE FROM ILLNESS

عَنْ عَائِشَةَ رضى الله عنها أَنَّ النَّبِيُّ صلى الله عليه وسلم كَانَ يُعَوِّذُ بَعْضَ أَهْلِهِ، يَمْسَحُ بِيَدِهِ الْيَمْنَي وَيَقُولُ

" اللَّهُمَّ رَبَّ النَّاسِّ أَذْهِبِ الْبَاسَ وَاشْفِ وَأَنْتَ الشَّافِي لاَ شَفَاءَ إِلاَّ شِفَاؤُكَ، شِفَاءً لاَ يُعَادِرُ سَقَمًا "مَنفَ عليه

Trans: "Allaahumma rabb-nnasi adhibil-ba'sa washfi wa antashafii laa shifaa' illaa shifaa'uk, shifaa' allaa yughadiru saqama''

"O Allaah, the Lord of the people! Remove the trouble and heal the patient, for You are the Healer. No healing is of any avail but Yours; healing that will leave behind no ailment." (Riradus Saliheen 902 | Bhukhari-Muslim)



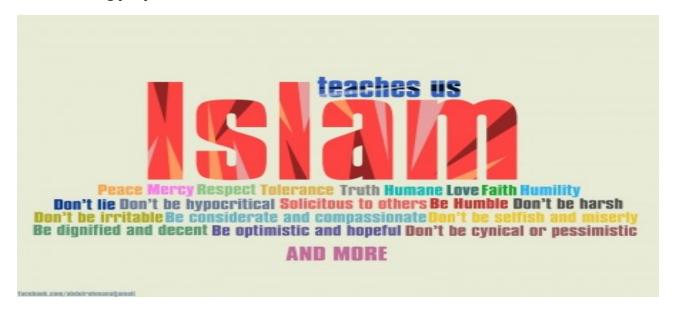


Islam is derived from the Arabic word "Salaama" which means "Peace". It can also be translated to mean "Submission".

This means that firstly, it is our responsibility to ensure unity amongst ourselves as the nation of Nabee Muhammad which requires us to apply all our efforts into creating and upholding peace.

Second, we as Muslims, need to then submit ourselves entirely to Allah. With the body, mind, heart and soul, accepting the will and decree of our Almighty. It is only by doing this that we will be able to attain success.

Third, it is at this point that Allah may use us as lamps, lighting the way for those in need of guidance and inspiration. Like this Allah then may choose us and use us a means of da'wah. Calling people to Allah.

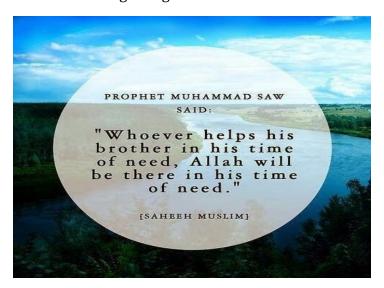


According to psychologists, one of the biggest problems in society is the thirst for authority which then makes people less sympathetic to the concerns and emotions of others. Nabee Muhammad lived lived his entire life, every day, only concerned about others.

Today, not only do we find ourselves self absorbed and completely distracted by the endeavours of this temporary life but in a time such as the present, where we are faced with a pandemic far greater than us, one far beyond what we are able to predict. Wherein many of us are separated from our loved ones and have no definite knowledge of when we may see them again.



Instead of standing together and assisting one another, while Allah through His infinite wisdom attempts to cleanse us of our toxic behavior, we have taken it upon ourselves to continue to judge one another and to curse one another. Many have spoken openly against honorable ulamaa. People whom Allah has honoured. People who have spent their time and efforts learning about the laws of Allah and tried gaining closeness to Allah.



"The scholars are the heirs of the Prophets" - TIRMIDHI

"The virtue of an Aalim over an Aabid is like the virtue of me(Rasoolullah وكالكوُّون ) over the worst of you."- TIRMIDHI

"Whosoever harms a friend of mine, I declare war against him..." - SAHIH AL BUKHARI

Let us be heedful of the above mentioned ahaadeeth and remember that decisions for a nation is never an easy task. Most importantly let us remember that Allah is Al Adl (The Most Just), Al Hakeem (The Most Wise) and Al Haakim (The Judge). To attribute any of these qualities to our frail selves would indeed lead us to harming our Imaan.



Life under Lockdown— who would have thought that we would ever find ourselves under such restrictions. When our daily lives have become accustomed to moving about between our homes, work places, schools, malls and markets, restaurants and places of leisure and attraction and sometimes city to city and across borders.

Yet, here we are, living like Bedouins in the dessert with barely any company but that of our immediate families and our pets. Many people have been worried about stocking up, filling their fridges to its capacity and filling up the pantries with everything and anything the supermarkets have to offer. Some stocking up on every form of entertainment such as televisions, wifi and any from of technology to fill our time. While necessary precautions are vital, we may be looking at this lockdown from a rather strenuous and less important angle.

How many spouses have drifted apart resulting more often than not into a rather unhealthy divorce or how many kids have rebelled in some way or another at schools, homes or just found themselves becoming individuals with low self esteem and using it as an excuse to abuse others, verbally, psychologically, or even physically, all due to being neglected by parents who are forced to leave behind their families, some with more working hours than other, in order to provide their families with necessities. This is rather unfortunate as some families may survive it while others wrecked because

of it.

We have been given an opportunity to revive and strengthen our relationships, to give mother nature the chance to be restored to its healthiest form. To recover from the consequences of our own actions. Wives now have the chance to be just wives and mothers, some with a bare minimum amount of office work to be continued from home. Husbands now have the chance to simply be husbands and fathers with less stress and more time. Families have the chance for just family time again and indulging in something we once called "simple pleasures" - not sitting with our eyes glued to a screen... rather developing skills such as knitting, painting and spending time rediscovering our abilities and hobbies.



#### CORONAVIRUS UPDATE What is a lockdown?

A lockdown is an emergency protocol that requires South Africans to stay at home except for essential purposes.

Grocery stores, pharmacies, banks and other essential industries will remain open.

All non-essential activities are suspended.

The full national lockdown will begin at midnight on Thursday 26 March, and will continue for 21 days.

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Furthermore let us be reminded that children are a blessing from Allah. In no way should we make them aware of the fact that we might prefer it if they were at school or elsewhere, or as though they are a burden. The home is the child's first place of education, foundation, safety and comfort. It is where they have the ability to be shaped into exceptional human beings. We have the chance to build their character and habits without the influence of peer pressure and other social forces.



- READING: this will help to strengthen the learner's grammar and speech.
- ♦ **PLAYING**: many forms of play enhances a learner's motor skills and helps a parent as well as child determines his/her likes and dislikes.
- DUILDING PUZZLES: helps to build patience and prevents the brain from stagnating
- OOKING, CLEANING OR CREATING: these unlock your child's creativity and assists with discipline
- LEARNING AND TEACHING: gives parents the opportunity to teach their own child and through teaching, lies many things to learn. Allow your child to be the teacher too.

  Kids love leadership. This will give them a great sense of responsibility
- ♦ **COMMUNICATION**: this builds a child's self esteem and only leads to healthier relationships and healthier individuals.

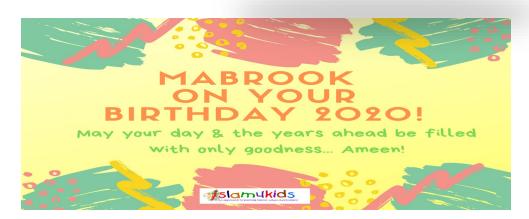
May Allah grant us the ability to fulfill this time in the most beneficial of ways with patience and understanding Inshaa Allah. Aameen

# April Birthdays

NAME	SURNAME	DATE	FORM
Ml. Saadiqa	Nazier—Boltman	17/04	
Yusuf	Bray	04/04	0
Nuhaa	Job	04/04	2
Tahaa	Titus	07/04	R
Jibran	Mobara	09/04	R (WEEK DAY)
Ali Asghar	Mia	11/04	R (WEEK DAY)
Rhadi	Johaadien	11/04	1
Mohammad Amaan	Batchelor	22/04	4
Hanaa	Isaacs	29/04	5









As we enter the month of Sha'baan we realize that very soon the Holy and blessed month of Ramadhaan will dawn upon us. With the world currently going through a global crisis and lockdown, now is the time for us to do as much reflecting as possible.

Just as we should perform every salaah as though it is or could be our last, we too need to approach this Ramadhaan as though it will be or could be our last.

We remember all those who have been taken away before this blessed opportunity and we make duaa that Allah forgive them, have mercy on them and grant them Jannatul Firdous Inshaa' Allah.

Aameen.



Hadhrat Aa-isha is reported to have said: I never saw

Allah's Messenger fasting
for a whole month except the
month of Ramadhaan and I did not
see Him fasting in any
month more than in the month of
Sha'baan." - SAHIH AL BUKHARI

"On the fifteenth night of
Sha'baan, Allah Ta'ala showers
his special attention on the nearest heaven. Thereafter Allah
Ta'ala announces; 'Is there anyone who seeks forgiveness so that
I may forgive him? Is there anyone who seeks sustenance so that
I may grant it to him? Is there
anyone who is in difficulty so
that I may relieve him.' These
announcements continue until the
break of the dawn "-IBN MAJAH

# ISOLATED ??



# NO PROBLEM



# GET STARTED ON RAMADHAAN PREPARATIONS - NOW!!



- Increase Nafl (optional) fasts
- √ Increase Quraan Tilaawah (recitation
- √ Make Tasbeeh (praises of Allah) often
- √ Renew your niyyah (intention) daily
- √ Make tawbah (repentance) continuously
- √ Start planning how you will assist the poor and needy
- Give up bad habits solely for the pleasure of Allah
- √ Give Sadaqah (charity) regularly
- √ Try to inculcate as many Sunnan as possible into your life
- √ Become regular and punctual with Salaah



One day, Kareema was sitting in class everyone! I have an announcement to all the girls listened very carefully to

when her teacher called out, "Listen up make!" The entire class became quiet and what the teacher was going to say.

The teacher said, "As many of you named the 'Coronavirus'. This sick-

may have heard, there is a new sickness ness is spreading through the whole world

and thousands of people are becoming sick. We don't want all of you falling ill, so school will be closed from tomorrow."

That afternoon, when Kareema went to madrasah, everyone was only talking about the Coronavirus. Even little Suhail, who was just five years old, had something to say, "I'm not gonna go near any Toyotas!" Moulana heard this and asked him, "Why not?" Suhail thought for a moment and then replied, "I think people get the virus from Toyota cars – that's why it's called the 'Corolla virus'." The rest of the class had a good laugh.

After explaining to the class that they should not be laughing at a serious issue such as this, Moulana turned to Suhail and said, "No Suhail! It's not a Corolla virus, it's a Coronavirus! It has nothing to do with cars!" Just then, Faatimah raised her hand and asked, "Moulana! I'm scared of this sickness! I don't want to die! What can I do? I don't want anyone to sneeze near me and make me sick!"

When Moulana heard this, he called the children around his desk and said, "Ok! Let me explain to you about sicknesses."

Moulana then explained: "Allah Ta'ala is the Creator of everything. Just as Allah Ta'ala created all the animals and plants, He also created sickness and good health. Since Allah Ta'ala is in control of everything, nothing in the world can happen without the permission of Allah Ta'ala. Let me give you an example. Fire is very, very hot. If you put anything into fire, it will get burnt."

Hearing this, Kareema remarked, "That's why we never have braais at my house - because my father is always burning the meat!"

Moulana laughed and then continued: "But, when Nabi Ebrahim ('alaihis salaam) was thrown into the fire, it did not burn him - because Allah Ta'ala did not allow it to burn him. So, in the same way, there are many germs and viruses that are so small that you cannot even see them. These germs and viruses often make people sick. BUT - they can only make you sick if Allah Ta'ala allows it."

Nabeel asked, "Moulana, what should we do? Some people say that we should eat onions everyday!" Moulana answered, "You can do that if you want, but there is something much more important that we need to do. You see, when sicknesses spread, like the Coronavirus, it is often the punishment of Allah Ta'ala. When the Muslims sin too much and make Allah Ta'ala angry, then Allah Ta'ala sometimes sends punishments to make them become good, pious people again. That is why we must make du'aa to Allah Ta'ala to save us from all sicknesses, beg Him to forgive us for our sins and promise him that we will be good people."

Kareema asked again, "Moulana, is it true that if we take all the precautions, we won't get sick?" Moulana said, "Kareema! It is important to take precautions, but we must never forget that Allah Ta'ala has already decided what will happen to every person. This is what we call 'taqdeer'. Nobody can escape or run away from taqdeer. If Allah Ta'ala has decided that you will get the Coronavirus, then even if you hide on the moon, you will still get sick! This is because Allah Ta'ala is in control of everything."

Finally, Moulana said, "Everyday, I want you to sit with your family at home. Read Surah Yaaseen together and recite the following:

100 x Durood

100 x "Nastaghfirullah"

100 x "Subhaanallah"

100 x "Hasbunallahu wa ni'mal Wakeel"

After reading this, make du'aa together, and ask Allah Ta'ala to keep you safe. This is the most important thing to do at this time."

When Kareema left madrasah that day, she understood that everything is in the control of Allah Ta'ala. She and her family needed to turn to Him in du'aa and istighfaar. That is the main solution to the Coronavirus.

### <u>Lessons:</u>

- 1. Allah Ta'ala is the Creator of everything. Only He can save us from sickness.
- 2. If we make Allah Ta'ala happy, He will not punish us.

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# INTAKE 2020 OPEN MADRASSA & SHORT LEARNING PROGRAMMES

Intake open until spaces are filled



Madrassa Offered:



Saturdays

Grades - 0-7

Masjidul Quds (Gatesville) Weekdays

(Tue & Thu)

Grades 0-2only

Belgravia Road (Crawford)

Fridays

Grades 1-7

Belgravia Road (Crawford)

09h30 to 12h30

The Form 0 class dismisses at **12h00** 

Takes place from 15h30 sharp to 17h00 for 1&half hour sessions.

Takes place from 14h45 sharp to 17h30 weekly.

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## **2020 SHORT LEARNING PROGRAMMES**

Short learning programmes was introduced for a focused attention on the following areas viz, Salaah, Ramadhaan, Prophets & Arabic. It does not form part of Madrassa, it is open for anyone including Madrassa learners to register.









## **REMINDERS**

#### **GENERAL**

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#### KIND REMINDERS FROM ADMIN

"Assalaamu Alaykum warahmatullaah,

As we have entered the unprecedented lockdown a few days ago, I trust that you are well under the circumstances and taking the necessary precautions around the current pandemic. To re-iterate the messages sent on Thursday just minutes before midnight: We are in full custody of the Almighty, Aameen.

We place our trust in thee Almighty fully and sincerely, knowing that He knows the reasons that we do not. We have the power (that the Almighty has given us) to pass this. We have all the tools, this calls for serious introspection, serious gratitude and serious istighfaar (repentance). We need a new response to our current state and a commitment to execute it and to use those tools that we have been provided with.

May the Almighty assist us during this period and protect us all, our families and humanity, Aameen.

#### Re our Madrassah class

Our **Google classroom** is up and running. By now parents have received invites to join the classroom and communication from educators around the current arrangement for reading weekly Surah/Quraan lesson. We remain in the process of improving the current support systems that are in place. Jazaakumullaah to all parents supervising the content on the other end, this in turn reminds us in order for the success of many things, people need to work together.

The aim of our Google classroom is to allow Islam4kids work schedules to continue."

Shukr Soraya Williams-Regal



READ
ON THE
15th OF
SHA'BAAN

LAYLATUL
BARAA'AH

It is reported in a Hadith that Rasulullah ప్రామాన్లు said to Hadhrat 'Aaishah ప్రామాన్లు: "On this night (Shabe Baraat) read this dua and teach it to others. Jibra'eel మామ్లో taught this dua to me."

اَعُوْذُ بِعَفْوِكَ مِنْ عِقَابِكَ وَاَعُوْذُ بِرِضَاكَ مِنْ سَخَطِكَ وَاَعُوْذُ بِكَ مِنْكَ جَلَّ وَجْهُكَ لَا أُحْصِىْ ثَنَاءً عَلَيْكَ اَنْتَ كَمَا اَثْنَيْتَ عَلَى نَفْسِكَ

I seek protection in Your forgiveness from Your punishment; and I seek shelter in Your pleasure from Your displeasure; and I seek safety in You, from You. Glory be to You. I am unable to fully praise you. You are as You have praised yourself. (O My Rabb). (Shell'ABUL BULLOW FISSE)

اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ لَنَا فِي رَجَبٍ وَشَعْبَانَ وَبَلِّغْنَا رَمَضَانَ

"Allahumma baarik lana fee rajabin wa sha'bana wa ballighna ramadaan"
"Oh Allah! grant us blessings in the month of Rajab and Shabaan, and
make us reach the month of Ramadhaan" (Shu'abul-mana & ibnus Sunni)