



1st Semester 2017

The Journey



Al-Ala



International Islamic School



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Managing Director's Message

Dear parents,

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

In the era of information and technology, the world of Android and smart phones, the availability of information at the tip of our fingers by Googling and Internet, catching up with family and friends through text messaging, Whatsapp, emails, Facebook, Instagram and so on; the arrival of this newsletter, might not be much awaited or might not be the right piece to fill in the big jigsaw. However I believe the words said with ingenuity and purity of intention do make a big difference.

Children are an amanah for us as Muslims, a responsibility as much as they are a gift. It is our job to make sure they become hard-working, productive and most importantly, God-fearing individuals who will be an asset to the Ummah. The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said,

"When a man dies, his action discontinues from him except three things, namely, perpetual sadaqah (charity), or the knowledge by which benefit is acquired, or a pious child who prays for him." [Sunan Abi Dawud]

So our intention and aim when raising our children should be to make them a benefit for us and themselves for the Hereafter. However being Muslim parents we need to ask few crucial questions to ourselves; Do we really want our children to be a Sadqa Jaria for us? If yes then what special measures are we taking? Are we taking care of all four aspects of our child's personality? Are we giving them the right education? How are we preparing them to combat with the challenges of their age? The questions are relentless however the answer could be YES to all only if parents come together, cooperate, and help each other to connect their children to their Creator.

At Al-Ala International Islamic School we strive to produce future generations of well-educated Muslims who are brought up with dignity and confidence in an attempt to strengthen our Ummah. Children have great potential; we recognize this and aim to provide them with a rich, varied and happy school life, in which all may discover and develop their own particular talents and strengths. The school focuses on the development, and refinement of a child's moral, spiritual and intellectual personality in a secure family atmosphere. Our goal is to help all students achieve their academic potential. If you are looking for a school that will truly make a difference for your child and your family, please contact us to arrange a visit. I welcome you to read through to find out more about about Al-Ala life.

Warm regards

Tayyiba Imtiaz



Principal's Message

Dear parents,

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

The warm glow of holiday buzz is all around us and with each passing day the buzz is getting louder and is telling us about the end of 1st Semester! Alhumdulliah! We have had an outstanding first Semester with very many opportunities for our students to demonstrate their amazing talents and passions. As we conclude 2017, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to all who help make Al-Ala International Islamic School an amazing place to be. We are a community with many gifts and talents, which we share daily with one another and most important, our students. From the classroom, to our living room and all points in-between, our collective efforts to raise the whole child are filled with passion, commitment and a willingness to make decisions that may be hard in the present, but will have a positive and lasting influence in the future for all. Thank you for doing the Right Thing by sending your child to the very best school around!!!

Moving on, we are excited to engage students in active Saturday clubs beginning in January, such as Robotics, MUN, Sports Leadership, Creative Writing, Swimming and Reading. We hope that these vibrant programs will bring so much to our school! In sha Allah!

As we enjoy the upcoming holidays, it is my fervent wish that each of you receives and returns the seasonal bounty of blessings and glad tidings that make these days truly special.

Of course, I believe the faces of our children best express the true meaning of this holiday season. They radiate a sense of unbridled enthusiasm, untainted hope and unabashed joy for life and the opportunities that await them. To the parents and friends of the Al-Ala community, please have safe and productive holidays!

Kind regards,

Iram Zahra



Annual Carnival



Our 19th Annual Carnival as ever was *The pièce de résistance of year 2017* in which Al-Ala students, faculty and support staff were honored for their achievements during the academic year 2016-17. With over 700 guests, the day was buzzing with exciting and colourful presentations in which children displayed their talent. Parents were inspired by the range of presentations and the family like atmosphere of the school





WATER FUN DAY

Water play has such a prominent place in preschool settings. It offers many opportunities for children to problem solve, question, explore and experiment. Therefore in order to stretch children's imagination and creativity we had Water Fun Day in our preschool today. Children enjoyed various games and had tonnes of fun



HIGH ACHIEVERS

O Level Result

Ahsan Abdur Rehman
(9A*, 1A)
Abdullah Bashir
(3A*s, 5As,)
Shaheer Ahmed
(9As)
Maryam Bibi
(4A*s, 5As)
Faizan Mustafa
(7As)

Noor Tayyaba Batool
(1A*s, 6As)
Noriya Mehmood
(7As)

A2Z CHAMPS Creative Writing

Ayesha Farooqui (G-V)
Shild + Rs 5000

CARD MAKING

Naba Noor (G-1)
Bronze Medel
Afzoon Nasim (G-v11)
Gold Medal
Maryam Rizwan (G-v11)
Gold Medal

SKMI Intel Competition

Ayesha Zafer (Sr-III)
Habiba Batool (Sr-II)
1st Prize In Chemistry
Category On Provincial
Level

Muhammad Tayyab (Sr-III)
Abdullah Waseem (Sr-II)
Consolation Prize In
Physics Category On
Provincial Level



Elections 2017-18

Education without discipline is a body without soul. Thus in order to teach Al-Alians self-command, and self-discipline we had school council elections during last week. Students made posters, stickers, slogans & badges for their voters. They delivered speeches during morning assembly & break time. The activity increased



Eid Milad Party

Al-Alians celebrated Eid Milan Party with their teachers and classmates on Friday, September 08. The classrooms were decorated with colorful buntings and balloons. Children came to school dressed in their Eid dresses and brought delicious dishes. All sunnahs of eating were revised and reinforced before the celebration.

Inauguration of Prayer Hall

The much awaited dream came true by the timely completion of our Prayer Hall and O-Level Block. It was the result of the joint effort of all members of Al-Ala Family – the Management, staff, students, parents and well-wishers. Therefore on this auspicious occasion we invited all Al-Ala mothers to attend Quran Class in high spirits and to seek Allah (SWT)'s special blessings.

Professional Development Day

Our first Professional Development Day of this academic session was very unique and special as we were honored to have respected Shaykh Jahangir Mahmud with us who enlightened our teachers on " Sunnah in the Classroom." His inspirational training session helped teachers to peek inside and made them ponder upon their position as Mualam. They went back to their

Mothers' Empowerment Through Education

At Al-Ala International Islamic School we believe in mothers' empowerment through education so that they could be the best role model for their children. Our Respected Managing Director Ma'am Tayyiba is widely known for her passion of educating Al-Ala mothers' about Islamic parenting. She conducted several training workshops for Al-Ala mothers during last Semester. Masha Allah! .



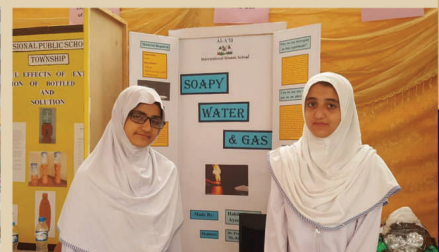
Classroom without walls...

Going on an Educational trip means more than simply leaving the school grounds. Reading books on science, computers, social studies, history, produces only book worms. Students from our different sections visited Punjab Library Lahore Museum and emporium Mall during last semester. Away from the classroom they not only had fun with their friends but also had hands-on learning experience and returned to the classroom with a renewed focus on their schoolwork.



Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

The golden envelope is opened. It's your name. AL-ALIANS! Congratulations to Habiba Batool and Ayesha Zafar on winning the Best Project in the category of Chemistry and to Muhamamd Tayyab and Abdullah Waseem for qualifying in Physics category at the provincial round of Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. BRAVO, YOU DID IT!



Iqbal Day

Al-Alians celebrated Iqbal Day with much reverence and paid tribute to the dreamer, the philosopher, the thinker, and the great poet of East for his undaunted efforts for the establishment of Pakistan. Students from different Grades made speeches, played documentaries and recited his mesmerizing poetry and revived the spirit of patriotism among their fellows.



Story Time With Granny

Grandpa, Nana or Dada, Granny, Dado or, Nano. Whatever we may call them, our grandparents mean the world to us. Their stories add to the legacy we're a part of. Therefore in order to be benefited from grandparents' wisdom and to revive the art of storytelling we had 'Story Time with Granny' in our preschool in which Al-Ala grannies made memories with our little tom tits.



Manzil Memorization Competition

In order to inculcate the habit of revision and repetition of the Quran in our Hufaz we've made monthly Manzil Memorization Competition a permanent part of our Hifz curriculum. Our 1st competition of this session was held on Saturday, August 26, 2017. We were humbled and mesmerized to see our children reciting the Quran from their memory so beautifully. MashaAllah!

Hajj Enactment

We believe that the essence of goodness is preserved by learning our religion and living it on a daily basis. Celebrating religious events according to the Qur'an and Sunnah is the best way to connect our children to Allah (SWT). Children were involved in Hajj enactment in which they performed the rituals while their teachers gave them a brief explanation of each step and its spiritual significance.

Group Presentations by Al-Ala Teachers & Mothers

Indeed to reflect on Allah (SWT)'s verses is a form of worship that draws one closer to Allah the Most High. It was heartening to see amazing group presentations by Al-Ala mothers and teachers on Juz 3. The activity boosted their confidence and inspired many others to come forward and utilize their energies in the way of Allah (SWT)

Raising A Muslim Child In 21st Century

The thought provoking lecture of respected Qari Sohaib Ahmed Muhammadi (on Saturday, Dec 23, 2017) with his mesmerizing pieces of recitation in between left the audience in awe. They were spellbound with his awe inspiring references from the Quran and the Sunnah of the Prophet (SAW). The gravity of the message stimulated reflection and contemplation. May Allah (SWT) give us toufeeq to follow the teachings of the Quran and the sunnah of the Prophet (SAW) and raise us among mohsineen and salliheen on the day of judgement. Ameen

No Cookies Left Behind

Bake sales have long been one of the most popular ways of raising funds for schools, and social clubs. These funds are then utilized according to students' own resolve. Bake sales are considered to enhance students' social skills. Whether it's selling or buying brownies and cookies, they just love to mix and mingle at a bake sale and enjoy getting together over a common goal. Our children arranged Bake sales very enthusiastically during last session. This activity inculcated in our children: self reliance, the best use of resources, management skills, self sufficiency and time management..



MARK YOUR CALENDER!

Winter Break Pre School -O Level

Dec 25, 2017- Jan 07, 2018

Winter Break Hifz Section

Dec 30, 2017- Jan 02, 2018

School reopens for Pre School -O Level

Jan 08, 2018

School reopens for Hifz Section

Jan 03, 2018

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