**2nd Grade Newsletter Unit 1 Week 4**

Assalmu Alaikum,

Greetings Crescent families!

We hope this letter finds you in the best of health and Iman. We are off to a great start in 2nd grade. Students are working hard and doing an excellent job displaying proper classroom procedures and expectations. This is a wonderful group of students and we are going to have a great year full of expanded our knowledge and become stewards.

**AREAS OF STUDY**

Unit 1 – Spiritual Literacy: God Consciousness

Concepts: Systems, Oneness, Wholeness, Unity and Diversity

**MATH**

We are reviewing basic addition, place value and the use of number bonds. We will start 2-digit and 3-digit addition and will soon be exploring the inverse action of subtraction.

**LANGUAGE ARTS**

**Reader’s Workshop:** We are hoping to start our Daily 5 language centers in the next week or two. During centers students have a chance to work in small groups on reading, writing, word work and have a book club with their teacher.

**Writer’s Workshop:** Students have selected a topic and are writing small moments to describe each detail of their topic. They will use these pieces to work on revising and editing skills to publish a final piece for our first Writer’s Workshop celebration.

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

This unit, students will be learning about the communities they are a part of (family, school, religious, town, etc.) and the different aspects that make a community work as a system. We will also discuss the differences between wants and needs and how that affects us personally and as a community. We will also discuss how resources come into our community.

**SCIENCE**

This unit leads itself to exploration ecosystems. Students will learn the 6 major ecosystems of the world (Taiga, Forests, Tundra, Desert, Grasslands, Ocean). Students will compare and contrast the types of plants, animals and climate features of each. Students will create a booklet to showcase their learning.

**ISLAMIC STUDIES**

Students will reflect on the attributes of Allah (swt). Students will also study seerah of Prophets Adam, Ibrahim, Nuh (AS) in order to understand our role as humans to worship Allah (swt). Insha’Allah, students will understand that worshipping Allah (swt) is not only through prayer, but also through engaging in various noble acts.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Stars of the Week: Layla Saleh (2A), Aliha Bint-e-Shafiq, Minnah Ahmed (2B), and Lana Mardini and Aahil Khan (2C). Takbeer to these students for showing positive attributes and becoming a helpful member of their class community!

\*Picture Day: TUESDAY 9/22 (Sr. Emily and Br. Radwan) and WEDNESDAY 9/23 (Sr. Krista) **Dress Uniform Required**

\*Hajj Assembly: WEDNESDAY 9/23

Boys: 2 white towels and large safety pins

Girls: Prayer clothes (hijab, prayer skirt or jilbab, abaya)

\*Eid Break: Oct. 6 and 7 - NO SCHOOL