**2nd Grade Newsletter Unit 2 Week 2**

Assalmu Alaikum,

Greetings Crescent families!

We hope this letter finds you in the best of health and Iman. Students are working hard and doing an excellent job displaying proper classroom procedures and expectations. We have a wonderful group of students and we are going to have a great year full of learning experiences and expanding our knowledge!

**AREAS OF STUDY**

Unit 2 – Moral Literacy: Noble Character

Concepts: **Energy, Similarities** and **Differences, Values** and **Virtues**

**MATH**

We have explored inverse operations within addition and subtraction. Students have practiced mental computations computing mental math addition and subtraction up to 1,000, and we are prepared to explore number lines. Students will also investigate positive and negative numbers as we explore number lines. We have also been working with multistep word problems. Students will continue creating and solving word problems with the application of Singapore Math (model drawing).

**LANGUAGE ARTS**

**Reader’s Workshop:** Now that students are fully familiar with procedures of the classroom and have shown what collaborative members they can be we are ready to start the Daily 5 language centers. Students will work in small groups on read-to-self, read-to-someone, word work, work on writing and book clubs with the teacher.

**Writer’s Workshop:** Students will continue to use the skills they have learned during unit one to write a personal narrative. Students will move on from writing small moments to writing bigger narratives that they have experienced.

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

This unit lends itself to a study of leaders we call “Noble Characters”. Students will learn about the positive **values** and **virtues** these people displayed and how to model ourselves after their actions. We will reflect on the positive actions that these individuals have taken in order to make our world a better place.

**SCIENCE**

We will be exploring the amazing **energy** of Earth and the creation of various landforms and bodies of water. Students will discuss the **similarities** and **differences** between many of Earth’s features. We will discover how events in Earth’s history have changed the shape of the Earth and how some changes on Earth happen quickly and some happen slowly.

**ISLAMIC STUDIES**

Alhamdulillah, we are currently exploring seerah of Prophet Muhammed (pbuh). We are focusing on events that took place before his birth, his childhood, and insha’Allah, we will move into his role as Allah’s final Messenger. We will also make connections between Prophet Muhammed (pbuh) and other noble characters in American history. We will reflect on similar values and virtues shared by people of faith such as freedom and equality. Insha’Allah, these lessons will inspire and help guide our students to become noble as well.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Stars of the Week: (2A) Zachariah Abdelbaqui, Aleena Baig, (2B), Mariam Hamdan, Ammar Nusier, Leanna Baig(2C). Takbeer to these students for showing positive attributes and becoming a helpful member of their class community!

\*The weather has become cooler!! We have outside recess daily, and it is important for students to be dressed in layers in order to be comfortable!

\*No School : Tuesday, Nov. 3 (Election Day)

\* Children’s Performance Costumes due to school by Friday 11/6

\*Children’s’ Performance: Sat. 11/14 1:00-4:00pm