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A Quarterly Newsletter of  
AIU-IRSYAD INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
'FOR GOD, FOR HUMANITY'

## From the Principal's Office

Dear AIIS Parents,

At the start of this term, we welcome the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan.

Aside from the focus on acts of worship, Ramadan, for Muslims, is a month of patience, endurance and sacrifice. Not only do we deny ourselves of food and drink between sunrise and sunset, we take extra precautions so as not to commit acts which go against the precepts of Islam. As an international school based on the values of the faith, AIIS aims to transform the spirit of Ramadan into a learning opportunity for all its students regardless of their religious affiliation.

For instance, moments of understanding and empathy may come about during the constant interaction and sharing between friends, and this is often to be facilitated by the teacher. In addition, students will constantly be reminded of the plight of the underprivileged even as they partake in their delicious meals during Iftar.

To reinforce such awareness, a donation drive where our students' used items can be collected and handed to those who are in need will be conducted to highlight the value of sadaqah (selfless giving).

As parents, it is my hope that you will also reinforce these positive values when the opportunity arises. Together, we can indeed mould our children into *Khalifahs Fil Ard* - Leaders of International Standing!

Wishing you the blessings of Ramadan.

Dr Shamsuri Juhari

Children are great imitators. So give them something great to imitate.

## Flash Back

Activities carried out in Term 2  
(April- June 2016)

### Parent - Teacher Conference

The Parent - Teacher Conference (PTC) was held on the last day of Term 2 which was Friday, 27th May 2016. The objective of PTC is to provide an opportunity for the teachers and parents to communicate their child's progress and performance in school, on both academic and non-academic matters. We would like to thank all parents who attended the conference and we look forward to the next PTC at the end of Term 4.

### Educational Trip: Learning Journey to Muzium Padi & Pusat Sains Kedah

On 23rd May 2016, 20 students and 9 teachers went on a learning journey to Muzium Padi and Pusat Sains Kedah at Gunung Keriang. The children learnt about the process of rice cultivation and saw exhibits on the different varieties of rice and the tools used in rice cultivation through the ages in various countries. At Pusat Sains, the children tried out the various science experiments that are readily available. It was indeed an enjoyable day for the children.

### Community Involvement Program (CIP) @ Pusat Dialysis Albukhary, 24th May 2016

Community Involvement forms an important part of our students' citizenship education. The CIP serves to build social cohesion and civic responsibility. It aims to nurture students who will be good citizens who are conscious of their responsibilities to family, society and country. CIP provides a platform for our pupils to be developed as leaders in life-long volunteerism.

Active involvement in the life of the society helps develop a strong social conscience and a sense of belonging and commitment to lead and serve the community. The students were privileged to be able to visit the Dialysis Centre and to further interact with the patients and entertain them.

## Event Highlights

### The AIIS-JPN Colouring Contest

On 28th May 2016, in collaboration with JPN (Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri) Kedah, AIIS hosted a jointly-organized state-wide colouring contest for young children at its premises. The participants arrived as early as 7.30 am. By the time the colouring contest began at 9.00 am, more than 500 visitors were present in our school. This included 250 participants from the kindergarten and lower primary levels, as well as a number of handicapped children. Additionally, prize winners for the lucky draw received RM 250, RM 150 and RM 100 for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively.

### Teachers' Day

The AIIS Teachers' Day was held on 20th May in the school hall. A day when teachers' hard work is appreciated, the occasion was celebrated with lots of games, food, fun and laughter. Representing the Principal who was overseas on a recruitment trip, Mr Farad gave an inspiring speech on the special place teachers have in our hearts. This was followed by performances presented by AIIS students and games for both children and adults. The day ended with a widespread selection of food contributed by parents, teachers and non-academic staff. The school management would like to express their sincere appreciation to all for their support of this event.

## What To Expect In Term 3

Day	Date	Happening
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	School resumes for Term 3
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup> June 2016	Iftar - gathering with Albukhary
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2016	Nuzul Al-Quran* (Schooling day)
Monday - Friday	4 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Eidul Fitri - Special School Holiday (Office Closed)
Wednesday - Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2016	Eidul Fitri - Public Holiday
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> August 2016	National Day - Public Holiday
Monday - Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	Eidul Adha - Public Holiday
Monday - Friday	12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	Term 3 Break - School Holiday

## Side News

### Info Ramadan :

During the month of Ramadan, the school will begin at its usual time but will end half an hour earlier i.e. at 2.30 pm.

The following programme has been arranged during the month of Ramadan for students:

- Daily Ramadan Tazkirah
- Memorising of short du'as
- Charity Programme
- Solah Dhuha
- Quran Tilawah
- Ramadan Checklist
- Reflections on Ramadan

### Amazing Race :

During the post-examination week, the teachers organised an Amazing Race in school. English, Maths and Science Stations were set up around the school. A total of 8 tasks had to be completed correctly in 1.5 hours. The tasks include completing a few tangram puzzles, exploring Science experiments and competing in 'Scrabble Sentence Making', 'Memory Games' and Riddles. Congratulations to the 3 teams:

1st: Ammar & Aidil  
2nd: Irfan & Daiyan  
3rd: Aleesya, Hani & Farra

We look forward to the next Amazing Race at the end of Term 4.



Happy Ramadan  
Kareem

