

# *City of Knowledge*

## *Parent-School Connection – April, 2008*

Dear Parents,

Assalamu Alaikum, It is hard to believe that we have only two month to wrap up this school year. These two months however are very filled with important events like open house, standardized testing, AP exams, finals, SATs and graduation. At this time we would like to welcome the many new families who joined the school recently.

It is important to keep a close look at your child's performance at school because students in general nowadays have a tendency to lay back and loose focus because of the many attractions around them.

As I mentioned in last months message, please remind your child of the importance of good citizenship and respect. The Qur'an praises good character and sets an example for the rest of us when it says of Prophet Muhammad, "and indeed, you are of great moral character." as a parent you do a great disservice to your child when you express a disrespectful or hostile attitude towards the school. As he or she moves into school, and into the world outside of his home, a disrespectful or unsympathetic attitude does not serve him/her well. Any negativity you show towards the school, its staff, and volunteers will reflect in your child's relation with these entities. Children are like sponges and absorb everything around them, including your expectations and stance. Be positive and charge your child with a positive vigor so that he/she comes to school feeling good about his second home. Teach them to respect and honor the adults and others around them. We have a great school which is a blessing from Allah; if we do not thank Allah for it He can take it away from us. Alhamdu'le'Llah we have a great community; however it takes one wrong attitude to make disturb the process.

We have many exciting events coming up like Open house, AP exams, graduation, and end of year activities.

As some of you may know that Sister Gillian, our very active and dedicated Board member, is ill and homebound for now. She has been planning our open house for so many years. ***We are starting a MILLION SALAWAT for her quick recovery and hope she will be able to attend on the 19<sup>th</sup> insha'Allah*** . Those who want to participate in the Salawat please send on a piece of paper the number of Salawats you have done (count by 100s please). **We want to make Sister Gillian very happy and proud by everyone's participation to put together a quality program. The program starts at 10 AM with refreshments followed by student (your children) presentations. Classrooms will be open 11-12 noon.**

Students who are taking AP exams need to pay \$100.00 per exam by Monday April 14<sup>th</sup> otherwise they will be charged \$1.00 extra per day of delay.

Students in Preschool, Kindergarten, 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade need to pay graduation fees by April 18<sup>th</sup> to avoid any late fees. Furthermore they need to let us know if they will rent or purchase their cap and gown.

**Please sign up as a volunteer for the following functions and invite your family and friends to join us for all these programs.**

Jazakum Allah Khair

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