



Cordoba Academy Newsletter - November 2020

Cordoba Academy believes that families have a strong influence on student outcomes and successes. To engage parents, literature suggests that schools offer culturally appropriate and sensitive parenting involvement programs that focus on creating a stimulating home environment that motivates children to succeed. To make this happen, Cordoba Academy will adopt the 3 R's: **Respect, Responsibility and Relationships.**

Respect

In building respect, both parents and the school are valued, trusted, and respected. Needs of the child take precedence and form the basis of all interactions. Both the school and family recognize family dynamics are invaluable in providing framework of what the child needs to be successful. The parents are part of the decision-making process and are addressed by their names. Their agency is validated. Their needs are heard. There is an open-door policy. We foster a climate that welcomes parents. However, we also understand and recognize parental limitations. Single parents or dual income parents, etc., are extremely busy making ends meet; they may not be available to provide frequent hands-on support of their children, but still maintain the same level of concern for their wellbeing. Therefore, we will work with them to schedule 1:1s based on their schedules as well as include online portals to provide feedback.

Responsibility

When respect is cultivated, the school and parents organically become co-responsible for the child's holistic nourishment. Neither the school nor the parents blame one another for what is not working, but rather claim responsibility together in order to ensure student success. We cultivate the environment within the school and home to align with the mission and vision of Cordoba Academy. Our team and the parents both have a responsibility to stay connected with one another, and we will implement a two-way communication.

Relationships

Cordoba Academy will create meaningful relationships that build trust. Trust will sustain the collaboration necessary for the parent-school partnership to survive and ensure student success. Trust will happen by us adhering to our core values: selfless service to all students and providing moral, social, educational and spiritual excellence. This will lead us in creating a safety net for students to develop a growth mindset, a belief that they can learn if they work hard and persevere. Student needs, not labels, drive instruction and support decisions.

Virtual Friday Halaqa with Mufti Saeed

Nov. 6

- No Halaqa -

Nov. 13

Scientific Evolution

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Nov. 20

Great Muslim Scientist

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Nov. 27

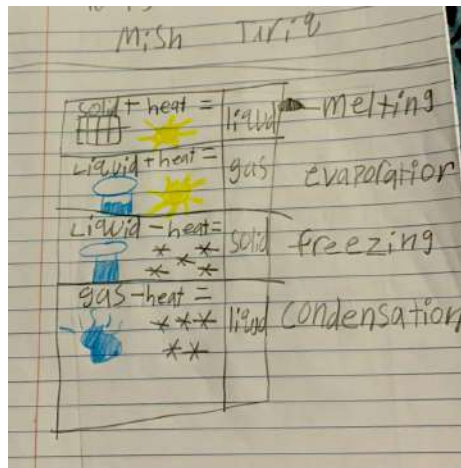
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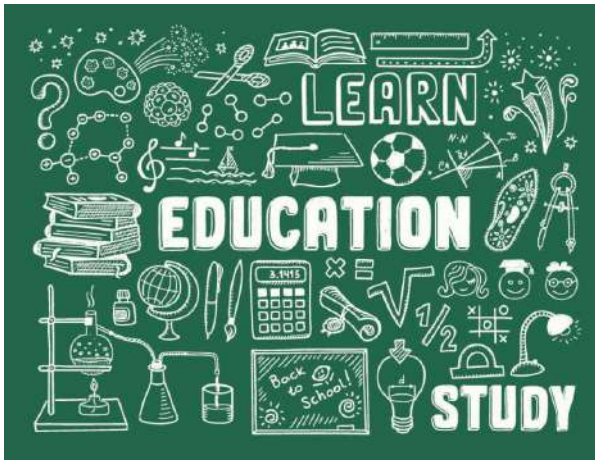
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Our 2nd grade students, Mishkaat Tariq and Zakaria Hamud, drew diagrams for their science class showing how water can change into different states of matter when heat is added or removed.



Does your child need additional help to understand material being taught in their classes?

[Khan Academy](#) is a great, free resource for students of all grade levels for additional assistance in subjects such as Math, Reading & Language Arts, Arts & Humanities, and Life Skills.

The organization provides short video lessons and supplementary practice exercises to help students learn.

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 13 - 27: Virtual Friday Halaqa

Dates to Remember:

- Nov. 11: Veteran's Day (No School)
- Nov. 16: Rabi-ul-Thani Begins*
- Nov. 26-27: Thanksgiving Day (No School)

*Based on local moon sighting

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