



# NOOR-UL-IMAN SCHOOL

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S CORNER

Assalamu Alaikum NUI Family!

Alhamdulillah, we have been focusing on rebuilding relationships and bringing back the sense of community. We re-evaluated students' needs. As a result, curricula have been adjusted based on those needs. We seek to realign and help our youth reconnect emotionally, socially and academically. Bringing students back also means bringing families back. Parent participation in school events and programs has been tremendous, from Read Across America to Prophet Muhammad ﷺ Day. Our students have been busy in clubs, sports, and afterschool programs. The progress made in just a few months shows the dedication and commitment of the NUI Family and is just the beginning of great things to come, inshaAllah.

Leila Shatara  
Head of School

## TEACHER IN-SERVICE DAY

On March 18, we held our Teacher In-Service Day. Each professional development session begins with spiritual development and reconnecting to the school mission. This session was entitled "Modeling Our Values and School Improvement". The focus was on reconnecting with our core values, specifically, Developing Character- modeling the character of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Quote from the session, "If we strive to be like our beloved Prophet, then we have implemented the best character education program known to mankind. We must know him well, to emulate him; therefore, our study of his life is at the forefront of our education and that of our students". The staff was deeply immersed in reflection on Quranic verses and hadith about the Prophet and benefited greatly.



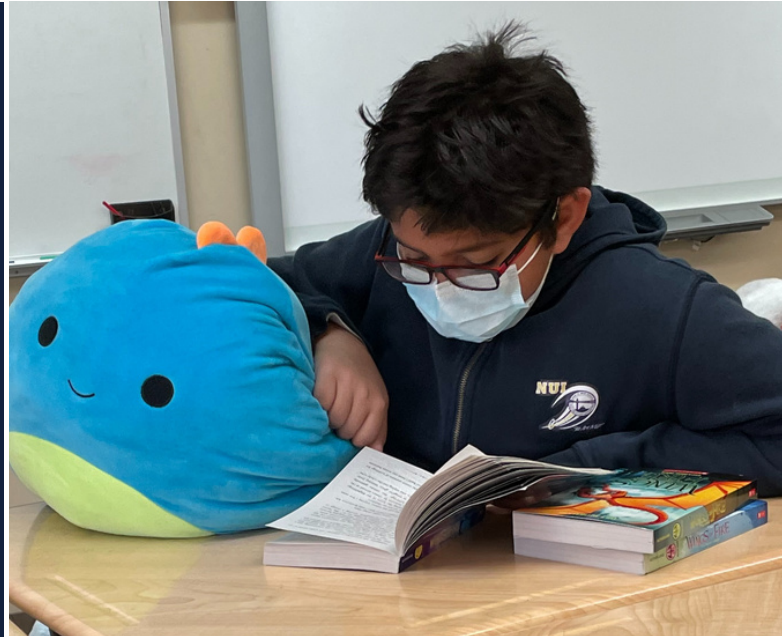
# EARLY CHILDHOOD HIGHLIGHTS

The Early Childhood classes have been bustling with learning and fun activities! Kindergartners learned about Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks and Ruby Bridges and how they contributed to our lives today. The students also celebrated the 100 days of school by parading as 100 year olds and completing activities related to the number 100. Early Childhood classes had dentists visit their classrooms to learn about the importance of taking care of their teeth. They also had a special guest, Muslim author, Farrah Hossain, read her book *Our Beloved Prophet (S)* and do fun activities with them during her visit. On Prophet Muhammad ﷺ Day, students participated by performing nasheeds as well as decorating the classes with various projects. The students had a surprise visit from Curious George to welcome the month of Ramadan.



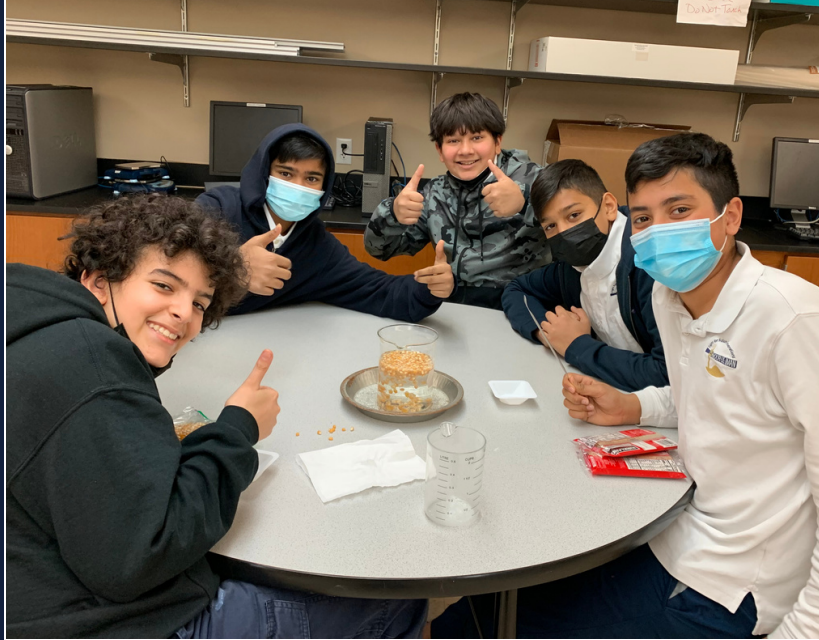
# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

The NUI Elementary students have had an exciting last few months. The students began by celebrating Read Across America week. Parents joined the festivities by decorating the classrooms and organizing parties for the students to enjoy. Parents also became guest readers, visited classes and held interactive sessions with the students, while some other classes used every ounce of their spare time reading to accumulate enough minutes to make an awesome ice cream sundae with all the toppings at the end of the week. The excitement and fun activities continued with all the focus on Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and his teachings. The classes and corridors were filled with our students' voices as they practiced nasheeds. The Second Graders displayed their dinosaur dioramas for their families during Science Day.



# MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

The NUI Middle School students have been continuing to build upon language skills in their second language courses. During the NUI Gala the three languages were highlighted, culminating in a Nasheed in Arabic, American Sign Language, French and Spanish. The Junior Rho Kappa Middle School's Social Studies Honor Society has continued to make headway in community service efforts throughout New Jersey. The Middle School students have been continuing to build on their culinary skills using ingredients from the Prophetic tradition.



# HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Noor-Ul-Iman High School students have had a dynamic and productive second semester so far. From interactive science labs and dissections, to fascinating research projects and discussions in History, English, Islamic Studies and Quran, there is so much going on in the classrooms. Additionally, high school students participated in a number of special programs including Prophet Muhammad ﷺ Day, where they showcased their artwork, poetry, and a performance highlighting the Shamail of the Messenger ﷺ. NUI Seniors showed their commitment to our school's interfaith program by traveling to St. Benedict's Prep in Newark, NJ, and participating in discussions on religion. We hope to invite their students to our school soon.



# ATHLETICS

This year's basketball season was very exciting. The players really made great strides.

A heartfelt thank you to the coaches for their sincere effort and dedication.



# RECOGNITIONS

## BOSTON INVITATIONAL MODEL UN XXI

HAMZA A. - OUTSTANDING DELEGATE  
AREEN A. - HONORABLE MENTION  
ANUM A. - VERBAL COMMENDATION  
IMAAD S. - VERBAL COMMENDATION  
TASNIM S. - HONORABLE MENTION  
MUSTAFA S. - OUTSTANDING DELEGATE  
ALI Y. - VERBAL COMMENDATION



## PHILADELPHIA MODEL UN CONFERENCE

YUSEF E. - WON THE MOST IMPROVED AWARD

ESHAL A.  
MENHA A.  
ALEENA A.  
ALIYAH A.  
MARAAM C.

MARIAM E.  
MARIUM G.  
IBRAHEEM G.  
RAAID H.  
AHMED S.



## MIST COMPETITION

NUI WON THE BEST SCHOOL AWARD!  
SAAD F. - 1ST PLACE AS BEST COMPETITOR  
ANUM A. - 2ND PLACE AS BEST COMPETITOR

### 1st Place

Boys Basketball  
Boys Nasheed  
Boys Soccer  
Rocket League  
Quran Memorization  
Knowledge Test  
Scrapbooking

### 2nd Place

Creative Writing  
Business Venture  
Science Fair  
Humanitarian  
Knowledge Test  
Boys Improv

### 3rd Place

Rocket league  
Super Smash Bros Ultimate  
Quran Memorization Level  
Girls Basketball  
Knowledge Test  
Math Olympics  
Spoken Word

### 4th Place

MIST bowl  
Short film



## BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN HIGH SCHOOL MODEL UN CONFERENCE

AHMED S. - WON THE OUTSTANDING DELEGATE AWARD

MUSTAFA A.  
YAZEED A.  
RAHIM B.  
MARAAM C.  
YUSEF E.

ZAYED F.  
IBRAHEEM G.  
RAAID H.  
KHADIJAH I.  
MAAZIN I.

MARYAM K.  
AMEEN M.  
RAYYAAN M.  
LAMA S.  
ZAYD S.



## MOCK TRIAL REGIONAL COMPETITION

### THE PROSECUTION TEAM:

SAMIHA A.  
AMBEREEN F.  
HIBA K.  
IMAAD S.  
MUSTAFA S.

### THE DEFENSE TEAM:

HEBA B.  
SAFA C.  
NORA E.  
HAMZA E.  
ADAM S.

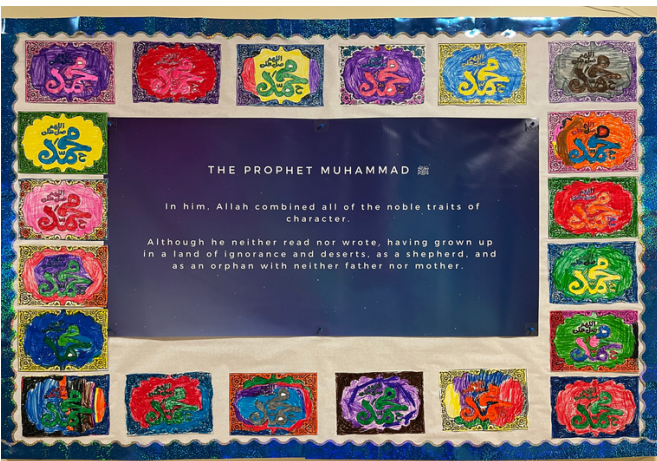
THE TIMEKEEPER FOR BOTH SIDES WAS FAAZ Q.



# PROPHET MUHAMMAD ﷺ DAY

On March 25th, NUI honored our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Students praised the Prophet with Quranic recitations,

nasheeds, and stories. The PTO helped organize snacks that were inspired by the food that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ ate.



## MORE NEWS

On Sunday, March 27, 2022, NUI students from the Planet Power Club and students from Rho Kappa & Junior Rho Kappa, participated in a Woodlot Park Clean-Up event. This clean up was a collaboration with NUI and South Brunswick Township. Both Planet Power & Rho Kappa / Junior Rho Kappa, are student led clubs that promote citizenship and community service.



The NUI Junior Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society held their annual student Poem and Art contest in honor of Black History Month. This year's theme was standing up for what is right and inspiring others.

Congratulations to Ariba, Mahrukh and Hiba for winning this year's contest.

## GIVING TO NOOR-UL-IMAN

Thank you to our NUI community who continuously supports NUI. Like all independent schools, Noor-Ul-Iman School depends upon the generosity of our community to sustain and advance the mission of the school. Over the years, parents, alumni, grandparents, parents of alumni, faculty, and friends have helped provide the best possible educational environment for our students.

A strong tradition of giving allows NUI to maintain its facilities, equip teachers and students with state of the art technology and resources. Thank you for always supporting NUI!

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