

Dear Families and Friends,

April was an exciting month for the school, of students focusing on their studies and working diligently to complete assigned work and in-class projects. Students enjoyed our trip to the Ontario Science Centre, which was a great success for everyone.

For staff and volunteers, April has also been a month of planning and development. The school is excited to have our first resident scholar, Dr. Khalid Zaheer, join us to help make our community school an even better place. We are also delighted to announce new programs such as additional supports for learning after school as well as new facilities such as our kitchen.

Everyone at Meezan School is looking forward as we work towards the completion of our first school year—with each class finishing curriculum expectations and working towards further improving the academic achievement of each student.

Welcoming a Resident Scholar

Our community is really excited welcome Dr. Khalid Zaheer as our school's first resident scholar. In addition to working with our students, staff, and volunteers, on a regular basis, Dr. Zaheer is helping our school further identify and implement values important to improving learning for students.

New Student Enrolment for September 2015

Our school is looking to expanding enrolment for September 2015. While many parents have submitted registration forms, we continue to be accepting new applications. If you know of any parents looking to registering their child/children, please encourage them to either visit the school or our website for further details.

Volunteers Needed!

We need help with our programming and co-curricular activities – both during the school day and after hours. Either contact the main office or visit our website for more information on how you can volunteer with us. Volunteers make a difference!

After-School Program

A quiet place for students to complete homework and receive some additional help is vital for student success. The school will be starting an After-School



Upcoming Events

May 18

Victoria Day

(School is closed)

May 20

Photo Day

Fridays

Every Friday, students in Ms. Dolly's class will be continuing to offer a bake sale. Proceeds are put towards supporting the many activities and events at our school.

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Homework Club for this purpose. Forms will be sent home this week for students interested in attending.

Photo Day – Wednesday, May 20

Class and individual photos will be taken for all students on Wednesday May 20, 2015. Please ensure that children come to school in clean uniforms and ready for their pictures. Graduating students will have the opportunity to get photos in caps and gowns. We will be offering photo packages for purchase to each student.

Playground Cleanup - Friday, May 8

With the snow all gone from the playground, it is important to have a safe and clean area for the students to play. Volunteers are needed to help pick up garbage from the playground. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

A Place to Cook

At the end of April, the Muslim Society of Guelph opened a new, industrial kitchen. The school is incredibly excited to use this community facility and have students explore home economics, healthy eating, and the culinary arts!

School Trip to the Ontario Science Centre

On April 22, students spent a day at the Science Centre! The day was a fun opportunity to further explore different topics in Science. Returning to school, students were excited to share their varying experiences and what they learnt on the trip. The day was an incredible success for everyone!

A special thanks also goes to all the volunteers who helped make this day possible.

Safe Driving and Parking

Please drive with caution in our school driveway and parking lot. Students tend to be inattentive when they are outside the building and may not follow safety rules all the time. Please refrain from stopping in front of the main entrance doors when either dropping off or picking up your child/children. Instead, please find a place to park first. Rather than reversing your vehicle out of the driveway, make a safe U-turn in the vacant parking area at the back of the school. At the start of the day, please ensure that your children enter the school. At dismissal, please enter the building to pick up your children. Remember: safety comes first!

In Our Community

Discussions with Dr. Zaheer

The Muslim Society of Guelph is hosting a series of open lectures and subsequent discussions with Dr. Zaheer.

Please see <u>www.msofg.org</u> for a schedule of lecture timings.

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Meezan School Events Calendar

May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Bake SALE	2
3	JK & SK Grades 3–5 STAR OF THE WEEK	5	6	7 PIZZA DAY	YARD CLEANUP Gr 6–8 Taco Cooking	9
10	JK & SK Grades 3–5 STAR OF THE WEEK	12	JK & SK Nature Tour	14 PIZZA DAY	Bake SALE	16
17	CLOSED Victoria Day	JK & SK Cupcake decorating	20 PHOTO DAY	PIZZA DAY JK & SK Mad Scientist	BAKE SALE Gr 6–8 Taco Cooking	23
24	JK & SK Grades 3–5 STAR OF THE WEEK	26	27	JK & SK Cartoon and Popcorn PIZZA DAY	BAKE SALE JK & SK Popcorn & Cartoon	30
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