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SUBSTITUTES SHOUTOUT



A **BIG THANK YOU AND APPRECIATION** to our substitute teachers this year for helping out at a last minute's notice to teach our students. Thank you Sister Fazeela Saiyed, Sister Safa Abdeljawad, and Sister Yasmin Mohamed. You are all AMAZING!



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GIFTED C.O.D.E. TESTING

By Hickman Mills School District

Ms. Holly Phillips, Lead Teacher with the C.O.D.E. program from Hickman Mills, came to our school on February 5, 2024, to test seven of our students.

The following students qualified for this year's program:



Mohamed Ali
2nd Grade



Sheza Shahzad
2nd Grade



**MAY ALLAH HELP OUR STUDENTS TO ALWAYS
SEEK KNOWLEDGE
TO THE GREATEST OF THEIR ABILITY!**

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VISION

Striving to be a premier Islamic progressive and scientific learning Institution.

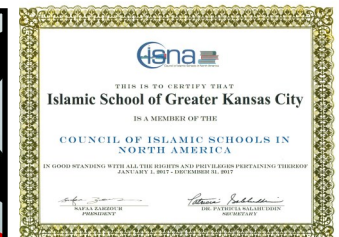
MISSION

To provide a nurturing environment where students aspire for excellence in education, integrity and leadership skills to better serve humanity.

GOALS

Dedicated to produce Committed Balanced Muslims, Knowledgeable Scholars, Contributing Citizens and Community Builders.

IScGKC Accreditation



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FACULTY UPDATES



FEBRUARY TEACHERS' MEETING

- Friday, February 2, 2024, teachers met to discuss the need for an application called "Magic School Bus". It is an AI app that helps teachers with preparing study guides and review packages to give to the students. Ms. Deb gave the presentation and training to all teachers. If approved, we will be purchasing this with our title funds money from Hickman Mills.
- Friday, February 16, 2024, teachers met with Dr. Daniah Hammouda, a former IScGKC Student, who gave a presentation on legal issues in a school.
- Sister Saba and Sister Farzana attended a CISNA's Governance Training Retreat in Dallas, TX from February 23-25, 2024.

TEACHERS' END-OF-MID TERM FOR 3RD QUARTER

- * 3rd quarter mid-term grades, as of February 9, 2024, have now be entered into Orbund.
- * 3rd quarter ends on March 8, 2024.

ADMINISTRATION REMINDERS

- * Please make sure that your tuition and lunch payments are caught up before the end of the year.

Teach
Love
Inspire

AI Magic School Bus Training



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TEACHERS' MEETING DISCUSSING LEGAL ISSUES

Dr. Daniah Hammouda, a former IScGKC student, provided a presentation regarding legal issues in a school, explaining what are the rights and responsibilities of teachers and students.



REQUIRED SCHOOL DAY UPDATE

In January, we had a total of 6 snow days. On February 16, we plan to make up one of those days instead of having Parent/Teacher conferences.

Friday, February 16, 2024, which was scheduled for our second Parent/Teacher conferences, is now changed to a regular school day for students. Parent/Teacher conferences will be cancelled, and all students should come to school this day. We will consider this as a makeup day for one of the days that we closed the school due to weather conditions.

If you still need to meet with a teacher concerning your child's grades, you can request a meeting with them by emailing the office with the teacher(s) you want to meet with and when you are available to meet.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CISNA TRAINING RETREAT

February 23-25, 2024

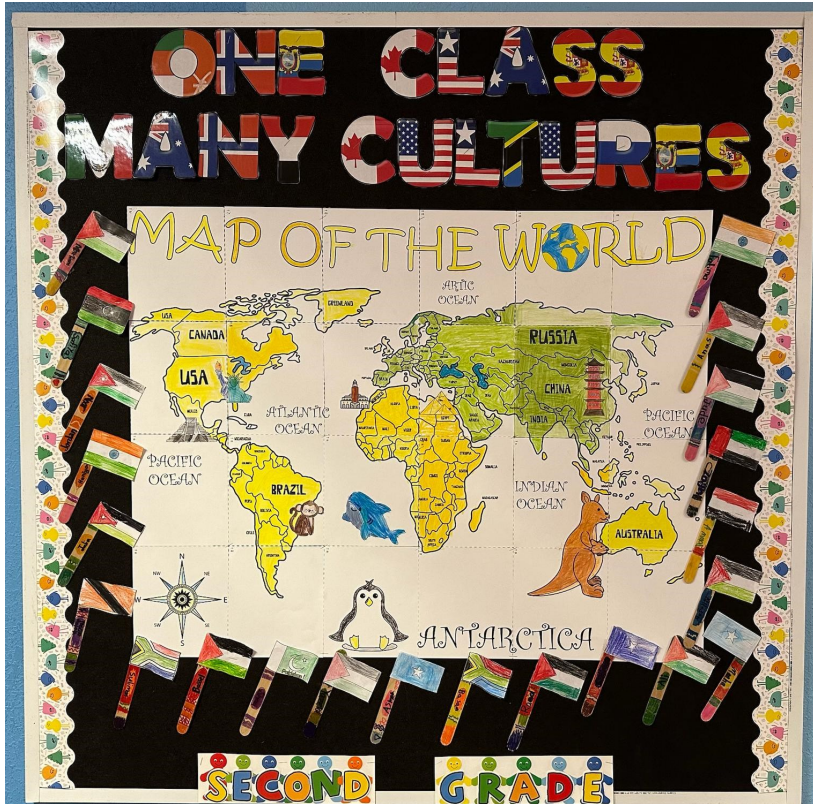
Insightful sessions and great, thought-provoking conversations all day long with faculties of other Islamic Schools.

Alhamdulillah.





ELEMENTARY STUDENTS' MAP OF THE WORLD



GREAT JOB 2ND GRADERS!

Learning the names of all the countries. Ma Sha'Allah!

Accreditation Renewal

ISCGKC will be working on our accreditation renewals during this year for review in 2024. The renewal will be for both COGNIA and CISNA.

COGNIA is the national accreditation organization and CISNA is the Islamic accreditation. CISNA will be the organization that gives us our review.

We will be asking our students, parents, alumni, and all stakeholders for your assistance in meeting some of the requirements for our school. We thank you in advance for your help.



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**2023-2024 YEARBOOK ORDERS
PRE-ORDER SALE GOING ON NOW!
RESERVE YOUR COPY TODAY!**

With our increased enrollment and school activities, our 2023-2024 yearbook now includes 168 pages!

This includes an additional 48 pages from previous yearbooks.

Don't miss out on amazing photos and memories! A limited number of copies will be ordered unless you pre-order by March 1, 2024.

\$35 per book

Please re-order in the school office.



**ABOUT 10 MORE DAYS
UNTIL RAMADAN!**

**PRAISE TO ALLAH AND PREPARE
TO BE BLESSED & LOVED!**

**SEEK FORGIVENESS WITH
GOOD INTENTIONS!**



Hadith on Plague: Avoid the plague but do not spread it either.

The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, "If you hear of a plague in a land, then do not go into it. If it happens in land where you are, then do not go out of it."

SAY YOUR DUA'A AND WASH YOUR HANDS.

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STORYTELLING WITH BROTHER JOHN ANDERSON

Br. John is a renown, motivational storyteller, cultural historian and tribute vocalist. He shares his passion for literacy empowerment while engaging his audiences with his unique, interactive, stage presentations full of enrichment and education and fun.



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BR. JOHN & STUDENT STORYTELLING (3rd-5th Graders)



Imagination
Fascination
Student Attention

Exciting Stories
Enthusiasm
Student Participation

MORE STUDENT STORYTELLING, 10th GRADE STUDENT WORKSHOP & FAMILY STORYTELLING



TOM BASS (1859-1934)
Born in slavery, Tom Bass rose to become one of the world's greatest horse trainers and riders.
The Tom Bass Barn was built on land he purchased in 1888 and is now the property of the Audrain County Historical Society. This board was removed from the Barn during the 1995 restoration.

TOM BASS 1859-1934
Equine Trainer/Rider/Horse Whisperer
Inventor,
Creator Of American Royal Horse Show

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**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
MORE STORYTELLING WITH
BROTHER JOHN**



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BR. JOHN & STUDENT STORYTELLING (PK-2nd Graders)



READY OR NOT, HERE WE COME!

Where every-
one sleeps ...
The Napping
House



Surprising!



Awesome!



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2024 ARABIC SPELLING BEE



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Level 1 - Winners



- 1ST PLACE**
Basel Suwan
- 2ND PLACE**
Anas Barakat
- 3RD PLACE**



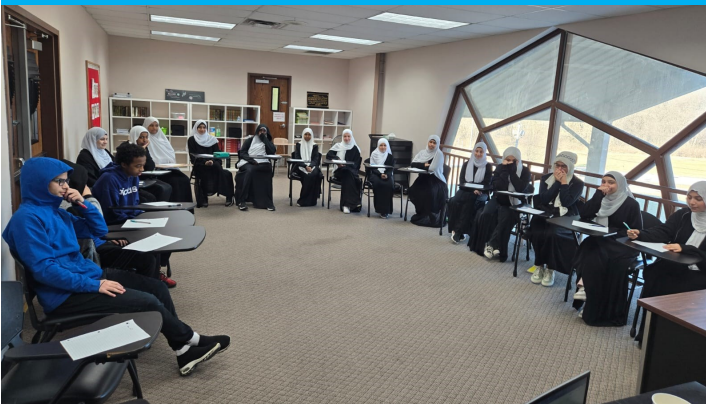
Level 2 - Winners



- 1ST PLACE**
Aaida Jallu
- 2ND PLACE**
Hazem Abdelghany
- 3RD PLACE**
Kareem Suwan
- 4TH PLACE**
Naba Syed
- 5TH PLACE**



Level 3 - Winners



- 1ST PLACE**
Ayah Salem
- 2ND PLACE**
Maryan Nur
- 3RD PLACE**
Bahja Nur
- 4TH PLACE**
Marym Abdelghany
- 5TH PLACE**
Sumayyah Mohamed
Erum Syed



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BOOK WEEK
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Dress Like a Book - Kindergarten & 1st Grades & Theater Reading



Book Buddies - 2ndA & Preschool



"IF YOU GIVE THANKS, I WILL GIVE YOUR MORE." Quran 14:7

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READING BUDDIES

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Reading Buddies - 2ndB & 5th Grades



Reading Buddies - 2ndA & Preschool



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Quran 14:7

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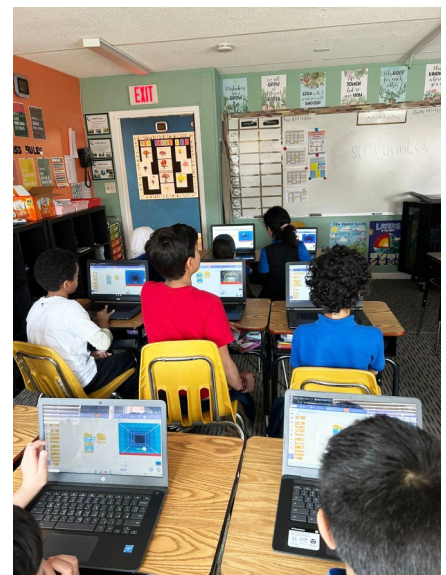
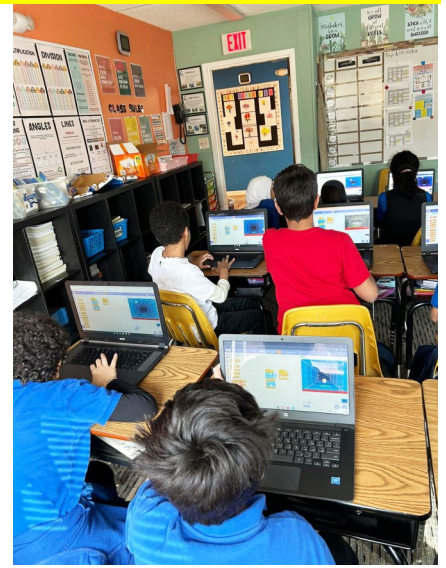
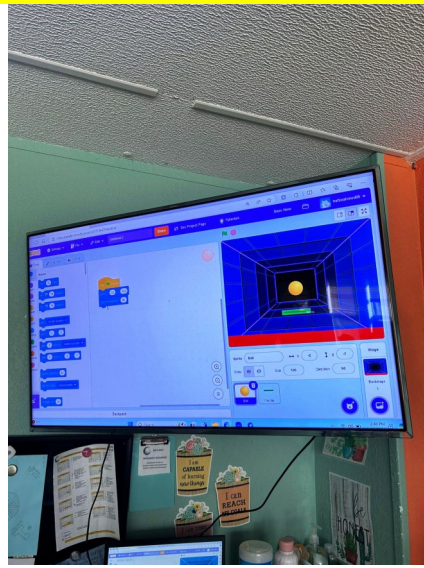


CODING CLUB
with
4th & 5th Graders



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Reading Buddies - 2ndB & 5th Grades



Sister Fozia Kareem and her daughter, Hafsa Ahmed, a former IScGKC student, have started a Coding Club for 4th & 5th graders this semester. As you can see, it is off to a great start!

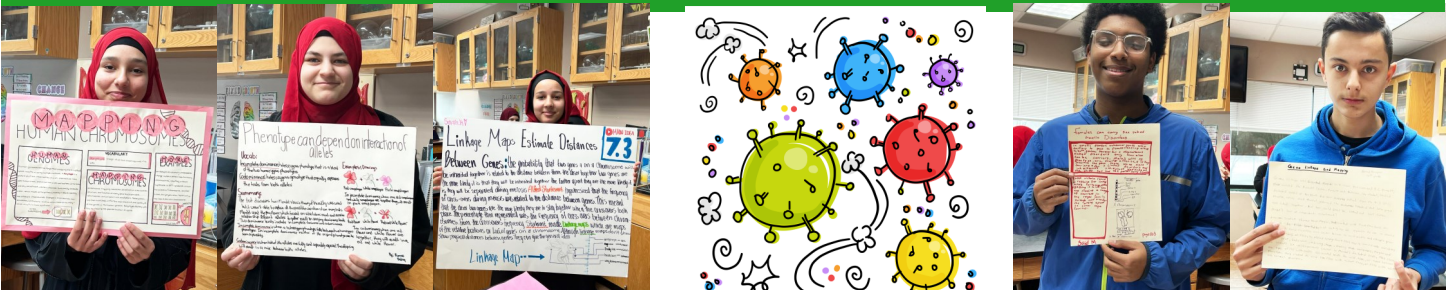


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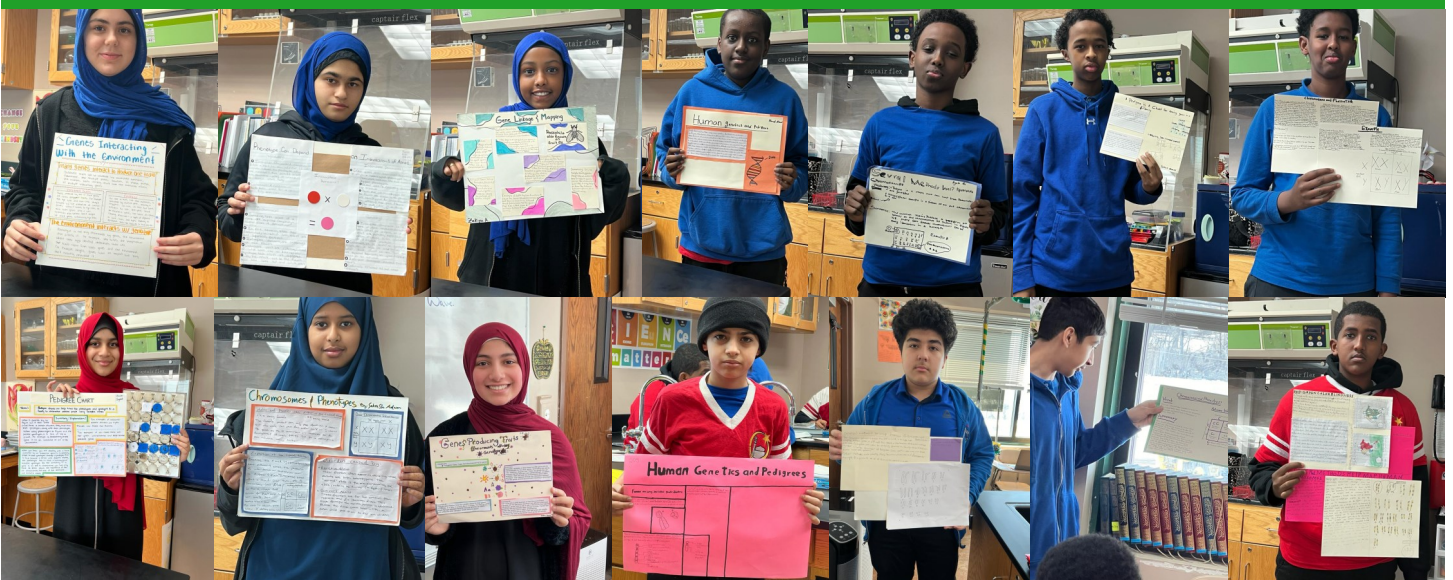


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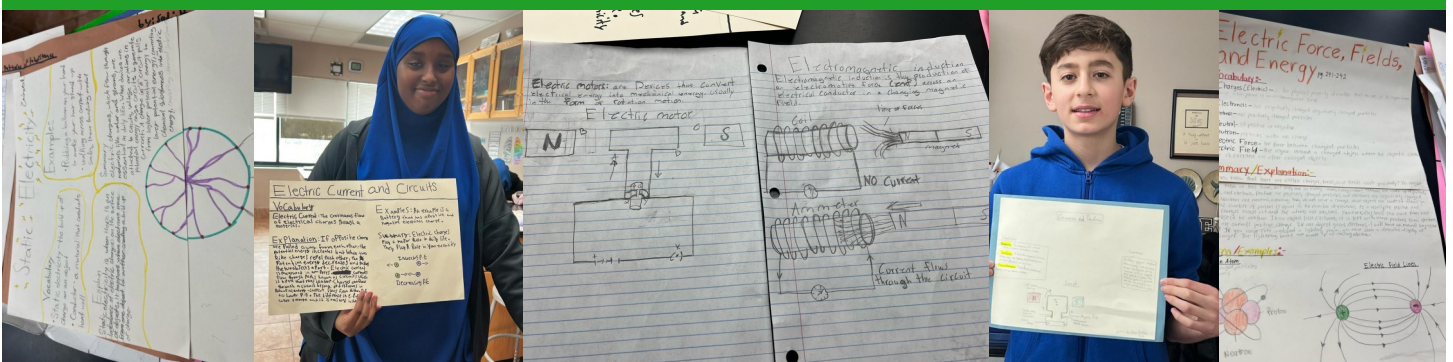
Science Class Studying Genetics - 10th Graders



Science Class Studying Genetics - 9th Graders



Science Class Studying Electronic Force Fields- 8th Graders



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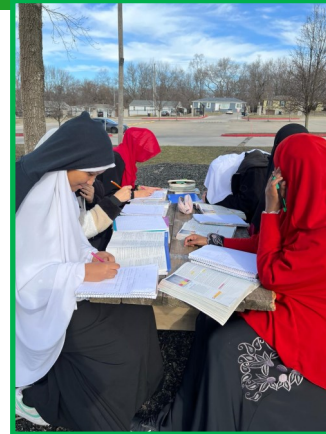
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SCIENCE CLASSWORK



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Science Class Learning In Nature - 8th Graders



In FEBRUARY !!!



What Happened

To Our Desk???



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT DATES:

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|----------------|---|
| February 2 | Mid 3rd Quarter |
| February 9 | Mid 3rd Quarter Grades Due |
| February 12-15 | Book Week |
| February 16 | Parent/Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL for Students) |
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| March 8 | End of 3rd Quarter (47 Days) |
| March 11 | Ramadan Anticipated |
| March 11-15 | Spring Break |
| March 18 | 3rd Quarter Grades Due |
| March 18-29 | Ramadan (Early Release) |
| March 21 | Quran Competition (K-5th) |
| March 22 | Quran Competition (6th-10th) |
| March 27-29 | Science Fair |
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| April 1-5 | Ramadan (Early Release) |
| April 1 | Early Release Begins |
| April 8-12 | Eid Break |
| April 10 | Eid Al-Fitr Anticipated |
| April 15 | Classes Resume |
| April 22-26 | MAP Testing (K-10th) |
| April 23 | Mid 4th Quarter (22 Days) |
| April 28 | Town Hall Meeting |
| April 30 | Mid 4th Quarter Grades Due Early Registration Ends |

3rd QUARTER Ends on March 8, 2024

Our 3rd Quarter ends on March 8, 2024. Please make sure your child has all of their homework turned in so that it can be graded before the teachers submit their grades.

We look forward to a successful academic year for all students. If you do not have your Orbund login, please contact the office.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Policy

Please remember that when dropping off or picking up your child in the morning or afternoon, **DO NOT** drop them off or pick them up in the area behind the masjid. You must go through the drop off and pick up areas that all parents use where the orange cones are. This is for safety reasons and to be fair to everyone. Thank you!



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Online Payments

Online Payments can be made for school fees, lunches, registrations, yearbooks, etc., on our school website:

www.iscggc.org

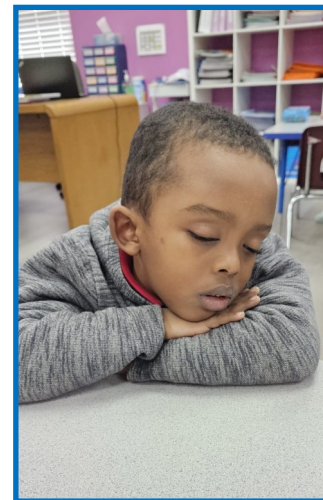
Just select the Payments and choose your selection from the buttons provided. **Thank you.**

KINDNESS

**“Every Act of Kindness is Charity, Even
If It Is Just A Smile or a Helping Hand.”**

~ Prophet Muhammed ~

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Or sometimes just taking a rest without the teacher waking you up.



kind

