



# MBA Connections

“Connecting YOU with US”

## Welcome Back!

Asalaam Alaikum  
Warahmatullaahi  
Wabarakaatuh.

All praises are due to Allah (SWT) who has bestowed us with the kalimah “La-ilaha-il-lal-lah Muhammadur Rasool Allah”. Our success and the success of entire humankind lies in obeying all commandments of Allah (SWT) on the pattern of Muhammad Rasool Allah (SAW).

On behalf of the staff at our institution, we would like to extend a **warm welcome** to all of our students, old and new, and their families. Insha Allah, your year with us will be an exciting one, full of positive learning experiences, many friendships and much more.



## WHAT'S NEW FOR 2006?

Alhamdulillah, by the grace of Almighty Allah, as well as the generous support of many members of our community, construction of the second floor is complete and it is ready for use this school year. For more details about this project, please see page 2.

We would like to sincerely thank everyone who contributed to this project and made it possible. May Allah (SWT) reward you greatly for your support. Ameen.

## CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2006 GRADUATES!



Alhamdulillah, our 12<sup>th</sup> annual graduation held on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006, celebrating the academic achievements of our many talented students, was yet another success. Once again, we would like to congratulate the graduates of 2006 (listed below) for their academic excellence, hard work, and contributions to our school. May Allah (SWT) grant you success in all of your future endeavours! Ameen.

### Grade 12 Graduates

Fos Dahir\*  
Kunza Qureshi\*  
Syeda Yousra Qadri\*  
Munazza Moin Khan\*  
Nadia Mahmood  
Anisa Variava\*  
Saima Naeem  
Fatima Fongenie  
Jasmine Baksh\*  
Syeda Asiya Qadri\*

Javeria Chaudhry\*  
Ayesha Patel\*  
Sana Khokhar\*  
Haleema Sadia  
Aiman Khalid\*  
Areefa Baddad  
Tayyeba Naeem\*  
Nicole Brewster  
Amina Khan\*

*\*We are pleased to announce that these 13 (out of 19) grade 12 graduates are Ontario Scholars, Mash Allah! Well done!*

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*Congratulations to all of the graduates who were awarded scholarships and granted admission to university or college. Keep up the good work!*

### Grade 8 Graduates

Ayan Youssef  
Saara Baksh  
Zanib Javed  
Kinza Asad  
Idil Hassan  
Anam Qudrat  
Ayehsa Shaikh  
Imama Kitchlew  
Shahneen Arif

Syeda Aimen Qadri  
Sadiah Shah  
Meream Hakimi  
Hafsa Younis  
Mary Al Falahi  
Qandeel Durrani  
Mehrunissa Gilani  
Faduma Mahad

### Grade 5 Graduates

Abdi Fatah Mohamud  
Abdullah Dawud  
Iman Darman  
Ramla Haji

Abdul Wali Qadri  
Hamdi Mohamed  
Laiba Durrani

**RENOVATION PROJECT PROGRESS**

Alhamdulillah, we are happy to announce that we have successfully expanded our current facility to meet the growing needs of our students and the community. In the past, we accommodated approximately 160 students at our location, and now by the grace of Almighty Allah, with our new facilities (the addition of approx. 6000 sq. ft on the second floor) we will be able to accommodate approximately 300 students in total Insha Allah.

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While the newly constructed second floor has been equipped with brand new furniture, new flooring and lighting, the old portion of the building has not been left behind. The entire main floor has been retrofitted with new wiring, heating system, flooring, ceiling and more. New windows have been added to several classrooms and walls have been freshly painted giving the school a brighter look.

**CONSTRUCTION HIGHLIGHTS...**



**SCHOOL VIEW FROM THE DRIVEWAY**



**CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND FLOOR**



**STAIRWAY TO THE SECOND FLOOR**

**THE NEW SCHOOL AT A GLANCE...**

**Main Floor**



Primary classes (**JK-grade 5, co-ed**) will be held on the main level of the school. It is equipped with a science lab, computer lab as well as a common library, cafeteria, kitchen, large gymnasium and outside play area.

**Second Floor**



Intermediate and secondary classes (**grades 6-12, girls only**) will be conducted on the **second floor**. The second floor facilities include: a science lab, computer lab and 5 large classrooms.

Insha Allah, with the ongoing, dedicated support of members of our community, our institution will continue to undergo many upgrades, such as renovation of our school library, the acquisition of more equipment and supplies for the art curriculum, science lab, computer lab, gymnasium, and much more.

**STUDENT SECTION**



**ARE YOU READY???**

How *ready* are you for the new school year? Use the checklists and tips below to help you prepare and settle into your first few weeks of school with ease.

**1) ESSENTIAL SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

- pens and pencils
- pencil crayons
- highlighters
- erasers
- ruler
- pencil sharpener
- glue stick
- calculator
- math set
- paper
- binders and notebooks
- dividers



**2) GETTING ORGANIZED**

- keep an agenda book (or print out a calendar and keep it in a binder)
- keep track of homework, assignments, important dates and events (due dates, test and exam days)
- organize your binder using dividers following your teacher's instructions



**3) HOMEWORK/STUDY TIPS**

**STEPS TO SUCCESS...**

- be alert in class
- review your class notes later the same day
- make sure you understand your class lessons-don't simply memorize
- clarify any questions you have with your teacher well *before* a test or assignment is due
- finish assignments, projects and studying well in advance-NOT the night before!!



- Make a study schedule and list to help you get organized and manage your time
- Stay focused
- Study in a quiet area and take short breaks
- Be relaxed
- Eat properly and get plenty of rest

**TRIVIA TIME!**

**Topic: Ramadan**



**Ramadan is coming soon Insha Allah! Test your knowledge about this holy and blessed month below:**

1. Ramadan is the \_\_\_\_\_ month of the Islamic calendar.
2. The Islamic term for fasting is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. List 3 things we must refrain from while fasting.
4. What is Laylat al-Qadr and why is it an important date in Islamic history?
5. What is the name of the Islamic holiday that marks the end of Ramadan?

\*Check out the **answers** in the next issue of MBA Connections!!!\*  
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**(Vol.1, Issue 1) Word Scramble Answers:**

**Characteristics of a Good Muslim**

- |                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. honest         | 2. humble      |
| 3. sincere        | 4. thankful    |
| 5. kind           | 6. respectful  |
| 7. charitable     | 8. God fearing |
| 9. hard working   |                |
| 10. compassionate |                |



## School Calendar



### MADRESATUL BANAAT ALMUSLIMAAT

#### SEMESTER I

|                |               |  |
|----------------|---------------|--|
| Tuesday        | September 05  | New School Year Begins                   |
| Saturday       | September 23  | Ramadan Begins**                         |
| Friday         | September 29  | Safety & Fire Drill                      |
| Monday         | October 09    | Statutory Holiday*                       |
| Friday         | October 13    | Board Designated Holiday (Ramadan)*      |
| Friday         | October 20    | Board Designated Holiday (Ramadan)*      |
| Monday         | October 23    | EID UL-FITR**                            |
| Monday/Tuesday | October 23/24 | Board Designated Holiday (Eid ul-Fitr)** |

#### **MID-TERM EXAMS NOVEMBER 8-10, 2006**

|                 |                |                        |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Friday/Saturday | November 24/25 | Parents Meeting        |
| Monday          | December 25    | Winter Holidays Begin* |
| Saturday        | December 30    | EID UL-ADHA            |
| Tuesday         | January 02     | School Re-opens        |

#### **FINAL EXAMS JANUARY 29-31, 2007**

### MADRESATUL ATFAAL

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#### **MID-TERM EXAMS DECEMBER 18-22, 2006**

|                 |                     |   |
|-----------------|---------------------|---|
| Monday          | December 25         | Winter Holidays Begin*                    |
| Saturday        | December 30         | EID UL-ADHA**                             |
| Tuesday         | January 02, 2007    | School Re-opens ( <b>Term II Begins</b> ) |
| Friday/Saturday | January 12/13, 2007 | Parents Meeting                           |

\*There is NO school on these days (Statutory, Board Designated, Winter and March Break Holidays)

\*\* Please note: These dates are subject to confirmation by crescent moon sighting.