



New Horizon School-Los Angeles

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Hey, that's News to Us!

Here are a few reminders:

- House Council Campaigns begin today.
- House Council Speeches will be given on Wednesday, September 17, 2008.
- House Council Elections will take place on Thursday, September 18, 2008.
- Safe Move Bicycle Safety assembly will be on Thursday, September 18, 2008.
- The Ramadan Iftar Potluck will be on Friday, September 19, 2008 at 6pm.
- The Food & Toy Drive ends on Friday, September 26, 2008.
- Lailat-UI-Qadr will be observed on Friday, September 26, 2008.

Scrip

Welcome back to the Scrip program. Scrip (gift cards) is the best and easiest way of raising funds for the school. All it takes is some planning and organization. Order forms are available in the office. Take one home, fill it out, and return it with your check to the office. Scrip will be ordered on Thursday, September 18th, 2008 and it will be available for pick-up on Thursday, September 25th, 2008. Since everyone is getting ready for Eid, it will be a great idea to use Scrip to make your purchases (even grocery and gas). See Mrs. Khadijah at the front desk if you have any questions or need any information.

Ramadan Childcare

Every year, to help the Islamic Center of Southern California, New Horizon School - Los Angeles provides child care for children so that their parents can pray Taraweh at the Center. All parents are urged to volunteer to baby-sit at least one evening from 8:30 to 10:30 pm. You can bring your children with you. This way we will not have to hire a babysitter and save money and you will be able to complete your service hours. There are only 15 days of Taraweh left. Please sign up in the office and help the PTO.

New Policy

To comply with the Islamic Center's Security requirements, parents will no longer be permitted to go upstairs irrespective of how heavy a bag is or forgotten homework, jackets, books, or lunch boxes. We do recognize that backpacks may get heavy and you are tempted to help your child. In cases when they cannot carry the bag upstairs, they can take part of their belongings up in the morning and get the rest of it at recess time. All parents are requested to comply with this policy.

Parent Teacher Organization

The PTO Officers had their first officer meeting last week. They went through the PTO Handbook, planned for the upcoming events, and put together the PTO folders. I hope you were able to see the folder and read through the papers. Please note the dates of the major school events and class bake sales. Included in the folder was a purple parent contract. Please fill out the contract, check the items you want to help with, sign, and return it with the \$10.00 PTO Membership fee, if you have not paid yet. The House that brings back the service contract with the fee will get 30 House Points.



Family Iftar Potluck

The Family Iftar Potluck is this Friday, September 19, 2008. The program will begin at 6:00 pm, so please be in school by 5:45 pm. Please check the food assignments and make sure that you bring a dish that was assigned to your child's class. Please let teachers know this week what dish you will be bringing so that adequate preparations may be made to accommodate your dish. We encourage you to invite friends with elementary-aged children to show the school. Please let the office know if you are bringing someone to see the school in advance. We look forward to seeing everyone here on Friday night at 6:00 pm for the children's program. Children can be picked up at 3:15 pm and brought back to school by 5:45 pm if you live close to school. Those who work late or live far away can leave the children here in aftercare for this Friday only free of cost.

Uniforms & Tardies

Though people seem to have improved their timeliness in the mornings, students are still coming to school wearing the wrong uniform. In spite of the uniform policy information given, students are still dressed in the wrong clothing. On Fridays, all students in Kindergarten to 5th grade must have full-sleeved white collared shirts and ties. All girls must have the white school scarf for daily prayer. Starting this week, children wearing the wrong uniform or different colored jackets will be given uniform violation slips, issued house debits, and two violations within a week warrants detention on Fridays. Please make sure your child comes to school in the proper uniform to avoid getting debit points or detentions.

House Elections

All the students from Kindergarten to 5th grade have been divided into three houses with a faculty adviser. This week they will have elections to elect House Officers to lead their houses. Help your children plan their campaigns and prepare their speeches.