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LICEF SCHOOL

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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2026 CALENDAR EVENTS

- 12th January - Term 1 begins
- 22nd January - Secondary Parent Teacher meeting
- 19th February- Beginning of Ramadhaan
- 23rd February- Charity Drive begins
- 3rd March- Annual Speech contest (Girls)
- 4th March- Annual Speech contest (Boys)
- 5th March- Parent Teacher Interaction
- 21st March- Eid-ul-Fitr begins
- 23rd March- End of Term 1 Exams begin
- 2nd April- End of Term 1 Exams/ Last day of school
- 4th May- Term 2 begins
- 31st July- End of Term 2
- 31st August- Term 3 begins
- 27th November- End of Term 3



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A word from the School Principal

Dear Learners, Teachers, LICEF Staff, Parents and Esteemed Members of the School Board

It is with great excitement, a deep sense of responsibility and I feel truly honoured to have joined this vibrant community of enthusiastic learners, committed teachers, supportive families and dedicated Board members. From my first interactions with the LICEF school community, it became clear that this is a school that values excellence, compassion, growth, moral integrity and service to others both in and outside the classroom.

The vision is simple: to nurture a safe, inclusive and inspiring environment where every learner feels seen, valued and motivated to achieve their personal best. I believe strongly in collaboration. Our teachers bring dedication to their work each day and let us all support them as we continue to elevate teaching and learning.

To our Admin and Staff, your unfailing commitment to the LICEF cause is noted and is admirable.

To our parents and guardians, your partnership is essential. Let us all commit to open communication and meaningful engagement.

To our school board, thank you for your trust and for the guidance you continually provide to strengthen LICEF's future.

To our learners, you are at the heart of everything we do. We are here to celebrate your achievements, support your dreams and watch you grow into confident, capable young people who make a positive impact in the world. Through this publication, the teachers' and our learners' work, we see an effort to continue building a school we are all proud of.

Within the pages of this newsletter, you will find creativity, achievements and aspirations of our students. May we engender in them a lifelong love for learning.

May the Almighty bless the entire LICEF community as we bid goodbye to 2025 and look forward to a successful 2026.

Ameen.

Mr. K. Ziyambi



The Headteacher's message

As 2025 comes to a close, I want to sincerely thank all our parents and guardians for your continued support. Your partnership has been vital to the success and growth of our learners this year.

Congratulations to our IGCSE students on completing their secondary education! As Nelson Mandela once said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" And Barack Obama reminds us that "The future belongs to young people with an education and the imagination to create it" We are proud of your dedication and resilience, and we wish you every success as you take the next step in life.

To all other learners, well done on completing 2025. Every promotion is a sign of maturity and comes with new responsibilities. Embrace them, stay focused, and strive to grow in all you do.

For those remaining at LICEF School, remember others have gone. You have a one-time opportunity to better your life by embracing the values and ethos that LICEF stands for. Be responsible, make good choices, and respect your fellow learners, teachers, and staff who are here to support you.

This year's closing assembly for the IGCSE students was a great success. We look forward to including a Grade 9 assembly in the 2026 program to motivate and inspire learners. Our sincere thanks go to the administration for their support and to all teachers and staff for your tireless efforts—only God can reward you fully for your dedication.

Wishing everyone a restful and joyful holiday season and a successful 2026!

Kind regards

Mr. G. Siwelwa

News from the departments

SCIENCE

2025 Annual Science Fair

The 2025 Annual Science Fair was held on Wednesday, 25th June 2025, under the theme 'Innovate, Investigate, Inspire!'. The event brought together learners from Grades 8 to 11 to showcase their creativity and scientific skills through exciting projects and experiments.

The Science Fair aimed to promote innovation, curiosity, and practical learning among students. Participants worked either individually or in pairs and presented projects in different categories including Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Agricultural Science, and Robotics. The displays were held in both the Boys and Girls Halls and attracted a large audience of learners, teachers, and guests.

Learners presented impressive projects such as solar-powered irrigation systems, hydro power energy models, and experiments on smoking effects, atmospheric pressure, and plant disease prediction. The fair highlighted the hard work and creativity of our learners across all science disciplines.

Outstanding projects were awarded certificates and prizes. Some winning projects will represent the school at the ISAZ regional and national science competitions. The school is proud of all the participants for their efforts and commitment to scientific discovery.

We sincerely thank all the teachers, parents, and students who contributed to the success of the 2025 Science Fair. Together, let's continue to 'Innovate, Investigate, and Inspire!' future scientists.



SCIENCE FUN FACTS:

- Bananas are radioactive-** The fruit is radioactive as it contains small quantities of the isotope potassium-40. But not to worry, for the radiation to be harmful you need to take around 700 bananas daily for close to 80 years!
- Cold versus hot water-** Hot water freezes faster than cold water. According to scientists, velocities in water particles have a particular disposition when they are hot that pushes them towards a rapid freezing.



The Mathematics Department sincerely appreciates the school management for this generous support and commitment to improving the teaching and learning of mathematics. Such investments not only motivate teachers but also inspire learners to develop a greater interest in the subject.

Math trick...

Age Calculation Tricks:

- Step1: Multiply the first number of the age by 5.
- Step2: Add 3 to the result.
- Step3: Double the answer.
- Step4: Add the second digit of the number with the result.
- Step5: Subtract 6 from it.

The school management has demonstrated remarkable support towards the Mathematics Department through the provision of essential teaching and learning resources. Each mathematics teacher has been equipped with a scientific calculator and a set of mathematical instruments. Furthermore, the department has received a complete board set of instruments, a newly installed whiteboard dedicated specifically to mathematics lessons, and an adequate supply of tracing paper. These provisions will undoubtedly enhance the effective delivery of mathematics lessons and contribute to improved learner performance.



COMMERCIALS & ICT



The Secondary School Commercials and ICT Department is proud to announce the successful refurbishment of both the Girls' and Boys' Computer Laboratories, marking a major step forward in improving the school's digital learning environment. The project involved upgrading the computers' Random Access Memory (RAM), migrating from traditional Hard Disk Drives (HDD) to faster Solid-State Drives (SSD), installing Microsoft Office 2021, and purchasing new keyboards and mice for all workstations. These enhancements have transformed the labs into faster, more efficient, and reliable learning spaces designed to meet the growing demands of modern ICT education. These improvements have significantly increased computer performance, allowing applications to run more smoothly and efficiently. The faster systems will help ensure that students can complete ICT practical examinations with greater ease and confidence.

As digital skills become increasingly essential in higher education and the workplace, the school aims to give students early exposure to modern computing environments.

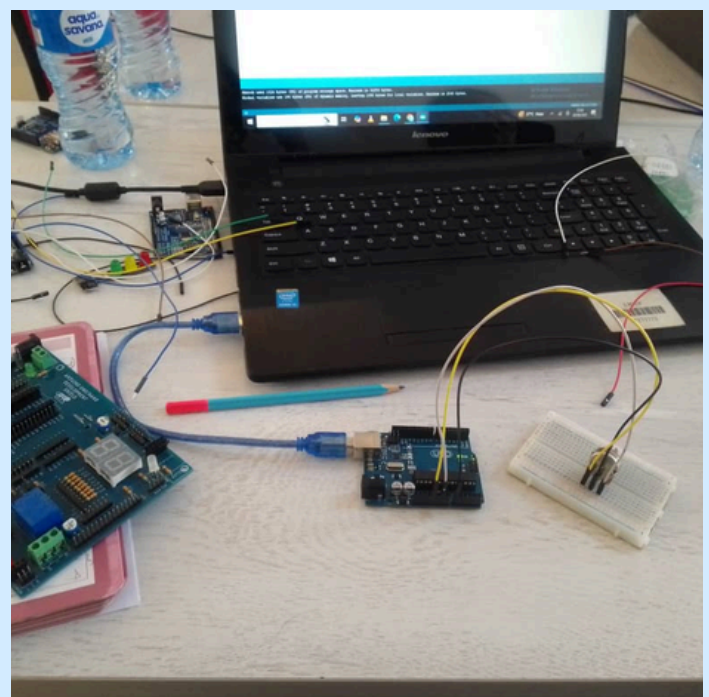
AIEC- ROBOKORDA Teacher Workshop (Coding and robotics level 3)

A robotics workshop, held on 29th August, 2025, provided an immersive and practical introduction to coding and robotics using the C++ programming language and Arduino Uno boards. The primary goal was to equip educators with the fundamental skills needed to build and program basic robotic systems. The training focused on equipping educators with Robotics, Circuits, and coding skills for classroom integration.

Objectives

The training aimed to:

- Introduce teachers to C/ C++ coding basics using Arduino IDE
- Demonstrate how to control digital and analog components with Arduino.
- Use sensors to trigger outputs and respond to environmental input.
- Apply ultrasonic and actuator knowledge to build a simple alert system.



SPORTS

A Season of growth, Inter-class rivalry and a new racket club

The third term was marked by growth and learning, particularly during the Grade 9g1 vs. 9g2 basketball match. This exciting inter-class rivalry brought out tremendous energy, teamwork, and skill as the two Grade 9 classes battled it out on the court, demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship and building camaraderie. This competition highlighted the depth of basketball talent within the grade.

This term also saw the launch of the new Table Tennis Club for both boys' and girls' sections. The club has been a fantastic way for students to develop their hand-eye coordination, reflexes, and strategic thinking. It provides a fun and active way for students to engage socially while building a new skill set. Table tennis enhances concentration, strategic planning, and hand-eye coordination. The sports department at LICEF is committed to providing a well-rounded experience for learners, promoting physical fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship. With the new clubs, students have more opportunities to engage in activities they enjoy, fostering a sense of community and school spirit.

LICEF football tournament 2025



The LICEF School Football Tournament 2025 was held at the LICEF School Boys Ground on Sunday, June 22, 2025. From 08:30 to 15:40 hours.

Under 13 Category

This age group had six teams, namely Hayaati FC, LICEF Warriors, Vozoh FC, Night Riders, Los Blancos and the Stars.

Winners:

Champions: Los Blancos FC

Runners-up: Night Riders FC

Man of the Tournament: Ibraheem Patel (7B1)

Under 17 Category

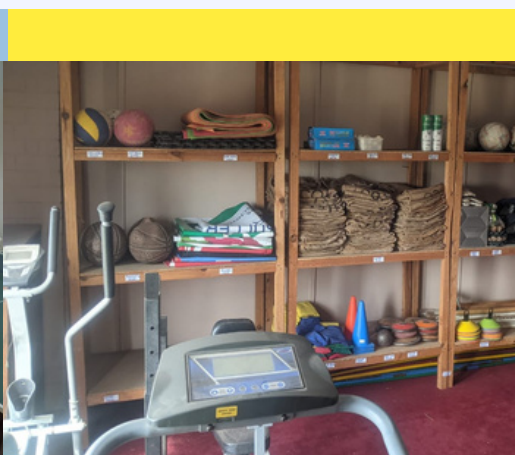
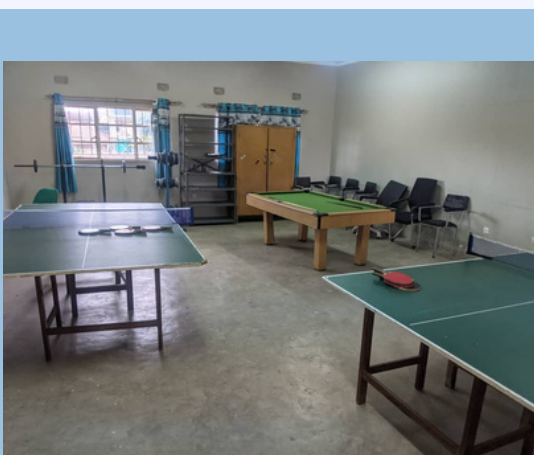
This age group had six teams namely; Dunhil FC, Munchers FC, Potatoes FC, Bojour FC, Gooners FC and Galaxy 10 FC.

Winners

Champions: Galaxy 10 FC

Runners-up: Potato FC

Man of the Tournament: Mohammed Adeb Munshi (11B2)



ART

Art is a powerful tool for learners with benefits that extend beyond the art classroom. By incorporating art into their learning journey, learners can develop a range of skills that benefit academically, personally and professionally



ISLAMIYAAT



LICEF SCHOOL CHARITY DRIVE- 2025- REPORT

In the spirit of giving and kindness, LICEF School held the Annual Charity Drive on Friday, 28th March, 2024. This program was held during the month of Ramadhan as it is in this month where we are encouraged to spend generously in the path of Allah. The event was attended by the esteemed guest of honour, Mrs. Rukayya Jumbe who has been involved in charity work for many years with various organisations. The event aimed to instil the values of empathy, compassion, and generosity among students while supporting those in need in Lusaka. Through this initiative, the school sought to embody the principles of charity as highlighted in Islamic teachings. The program featured recitation from the Qur'an, a nasheed and a speech, all done by our students in which the importance of giving charity was touched upon. During the program, students and guests alike were reminded of the role charity plays in building stronger communities and bringing people closer to Allah. The program featured recitation from the Qur'an, a nasheed and a speech, all done by our students in which the importance of giving charity was touched upon. During the program, students and guests alike were reminded of the role charity plays in building stronger communities and bringing people closer to Allah. As Mrs. Jumbe aptly put it, "You are not too young to give," emphasizing that everyone, regardless of age or means, can contribute to making a difference. This message should encourage us to think beyond ourselves and consider the impact we can have on others. Reflections on the value of charity were also shared, with Mrs. Jumbe highlighting that: "Charity unites us. It helps build stronger communities. It dissolves selfishness and brings blessings into our lives. It is the oil that keeps our societal engine running, and the light that will guide us in the darkness of the grave and beyond."

As she concluded, the guest of honour left the audience with powerful questions to ponder upon;

1. Who among us will remove someone's worry today?
2. Who will ease another's hardship?
3. Who will give from what they love?

The call to action was clear: "Be the one who gives. Be the one who helps. Be the one who lights the way for others." Alhamdulillah, The Charity Drive was a resounding success, with donations being presented to worthy recipients, including the Islamic & Educational Trust, Noor House, Makeni Islamic Institute Trust, Beautiful Beginnings Outreach Release (BBOR), UTH Cancer Foundation, and SOS Village. These organizations work tirelessly to support vulnerable members of society, and the contributions from LICEF School will help further their noble causes.

The Charity Drive was a testament to the school's commitment to nurturing compassionate and socially responsible individuals. By engaging in such activities, students learn valuable lessons about empathy, kindness, and the importance of giving back to the community. We thank all the parents, students and any individuals who assisted for their continued support. We must remember that charity is a deed that benefits an individual both in this world and the next. Charity is such an act that will never lead one into loss, as is the promise of Allah when he says, "O son of Adam! Spend, and I shall spend on you."



ARTICLES

The Value of Forgiveness in Islam

Forgiveness holds a central place in Islam, reflecting the merciful and compassionate nature of Allah and guiding Muslims in their personal conduct and interactions with others. In a world often filled with conflict, misunderstandings, and hurt, forgiveness serves as a powerful tool for spiritual growth, social harmony, and personal peace.

Forgiveness as a Divine Attribute

In Islam, Allah is frequently described as Al-Ghafoor (The Most Forgiving) and Ar-Raheem (The Most Merciful). The Quran emphasizes that Allah's mercy encompasses all things and that His forgiveness is readily available to those who seek it sincerely. For instance, the Quran states:

“And whoever pardons and makes reconciliation, his reward is [due] from Allah...” (Quran 42:40)

This verse highlights that forgiving others is not only a noble act but also a means of earning Allah's favor and reward. By reflecting divine mercy in their own lives, Muslims align themselves with Allah's attributes and strengthen their spiritual connection

Maariyah Bagas 10g1



Good Character (Akhlaq): The Heart of a Muslim

Good character, or Akhlaq, is one of the most important qualities a Muslim can have. It is how we act, speak, and treat others in our daily life. A person with good character shows honesty, kindness, patience, and respect for everyone around them.

The Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم said: “The best among you are those who have the best manners and character.” This shows that no matter how rich or powerful we are, our manners and behavior are what truly matter.

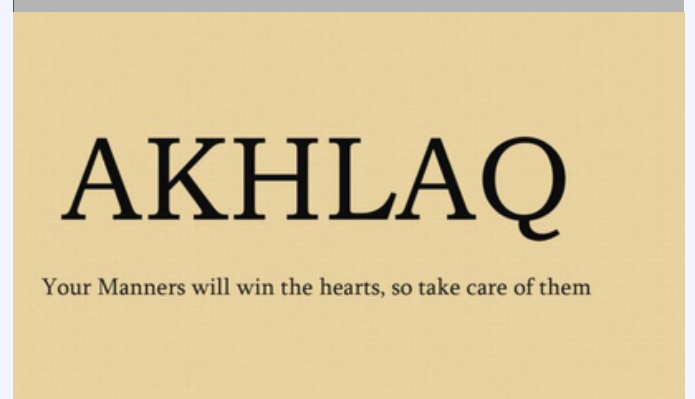
Good character begins at home and in school. Simple actions like saying “please” and “thank you,” helping a friend, or being honest in our work reflect good manners. It also means being patient when someone hurts us and forgiving others instead of holding grudges.

A Muslim with good character spreads peace and love. Their words comfort others, their actions inspire, and their kindness makes the world a better place. Parents, teachers, and friends notice and admire such behavior, and it encourages others to act the same way.

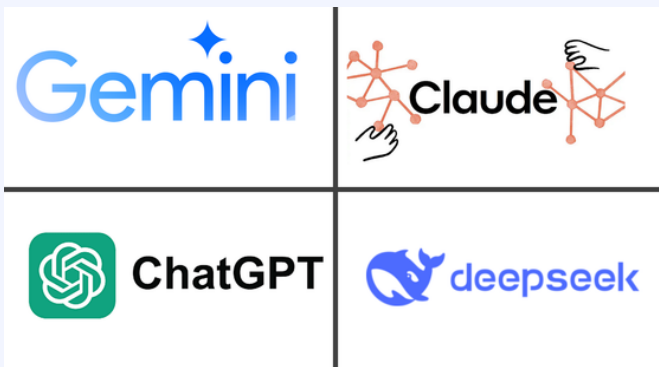
Good character is not something we are born with; it is something we learn and practice every day. By following the teachings of Islam, respecting others, and being mindful of our actions, we can build a strong heart and a beautiful character.

Remember, good character is like a shining light – it guides us in life and leaves a positive mark on everyone we meet.

Muniba Adam 10g2



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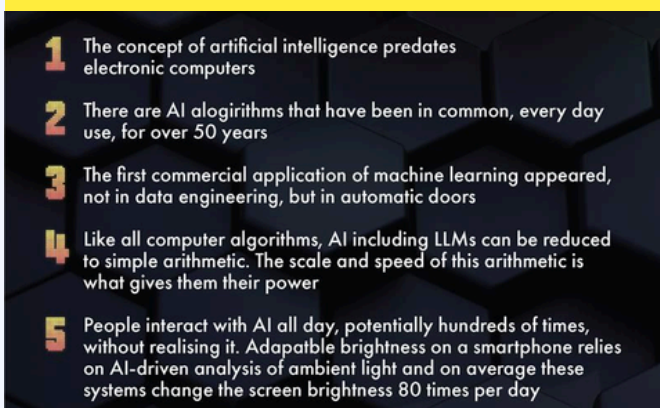
AI and Homework: A Smart Helper or a Shortcut?

This year, one of the biggest changes in how students do their homework is the rise of AI tools like ChatGPT, Grammarly, and others. These tools offer many benefits—they can explain tough topics, check grammar, save time, and are available anytime you need help. For many students, AI feels like having a tutor in their pocket.

But there's another side to the story. Relying too much on AI can lead to problems like cheating, missing out on real learning, trusting incorrect information, or losing your own creative voice. After all, if a bot does all the work, are we actually learning anything?

The key is to use AI wisely. Think of it as a study tool—not a way to avoid work. When used responsibly, AI can support learning and help us grow. But if it replaces our effort, we miss the chance to build the skills that matter most. So, as AI becomes part of school life, let's focus on using it to learn, not just to finish.

Arwaa Sundi 10g1



Education: The key to a brighter future

Education is more than just books and exams — it's the foundation on which dreams are built. It gives us the power to think, create, and shape the world around us. Through education, we learn not only facts and figures but also values like respect, responsibility, and perseverance.

In classrooms and beyond, learning offers open doors to endless opportunities. It helps young minds discover their passions, sharpen their talents, and prepare for the challenges of tomorrow. Every lesson, every question, and every effort brings us one step closer to a better version of ourselves.

But education doesn't happen only in schools — it happens every day, in every experience. It lives in curiosity, in kindness, and in the desire to make a difference. When we value learning, we invest in our future and in the progress of our communities.

As we move forward, let's remember: knowledge is power, but education is the spark that lights it. Let's keep that spark alive — for ourselves, for others and for the generations to come.

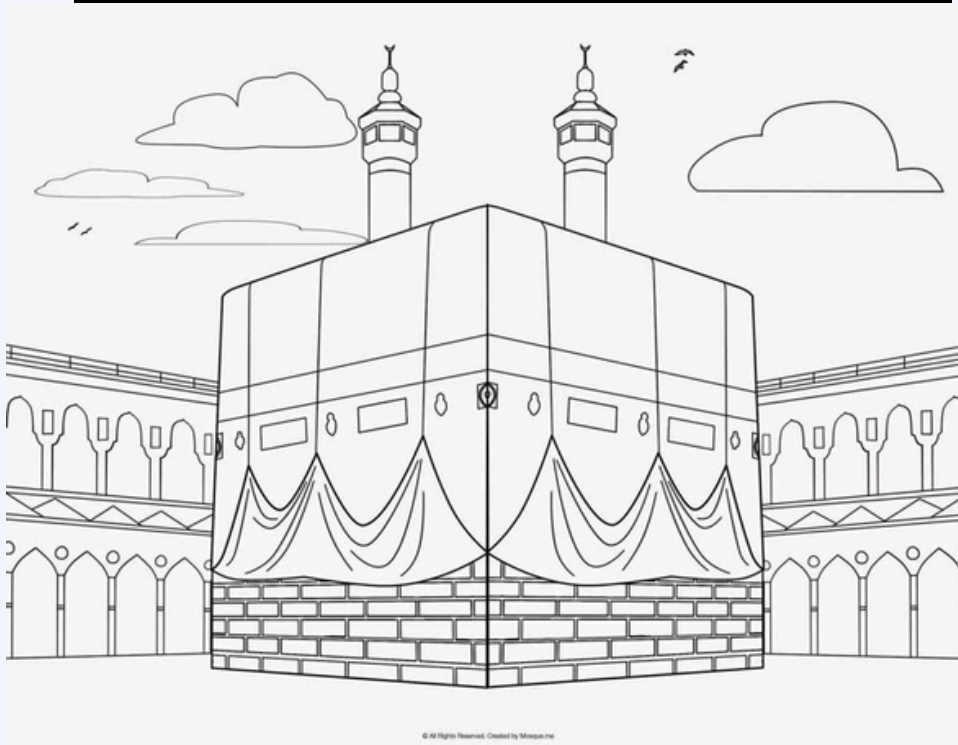
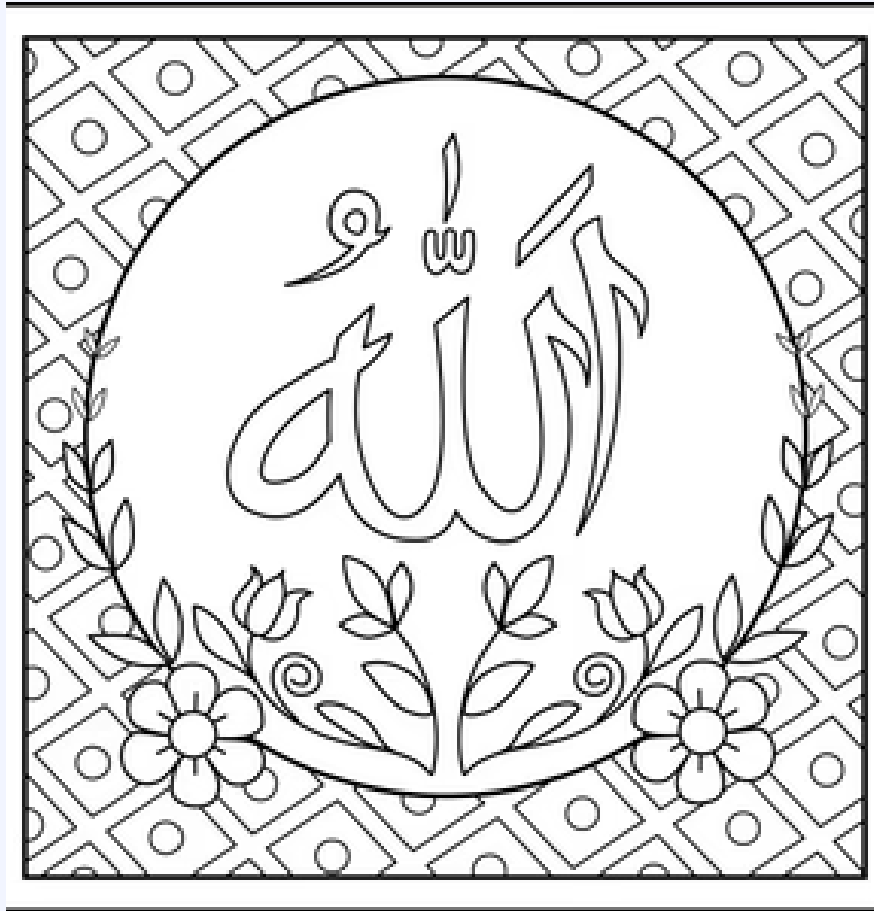
Learn with Passion. Grow with Purpose. Lead with knowledge.

Hamza Patel 9b1



ACTIVITIES

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Guess the Sahabi

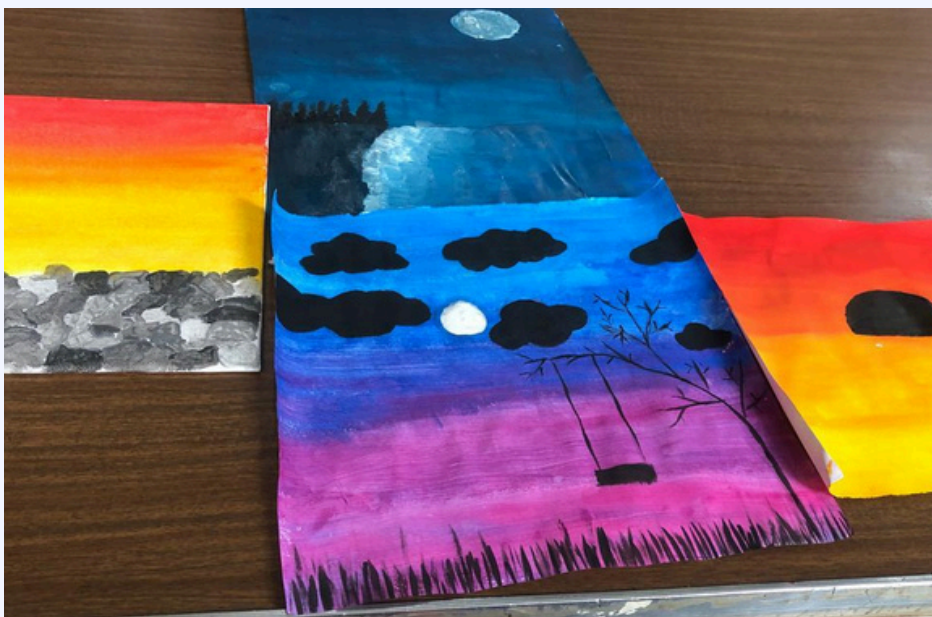
- He was the first boy to accept Islam.
- He was brave.
- He slept in the Prophet's (ﷺ) bed during Hijrah.

Answer:

Sunnah Challenge of the Week

Try practicing this Sunnah all week:
Smile at someone each day! Tick each day you do it:

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