

# MCWS SUNDAY ISLAMIC SCHOOL CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

## *Pre-Level-1 Class*

### Imaniyaat (Islamic Beliefs), Islamiyat (Islamic Studies) and Akhlaqiaat (Islamic Manners)

#### **1. Attributes of Allah:**

- 1.1. Allah is only One, He has no father, mother, son, daughters, brothers, sisters, partners
- 1.2. He is the kindest, he provides for everyone, good or bad people
- 1.3. He was the first and He is everlasting, while everything else has an end
- 1.4. He is self sufficient, while everything and everyone depends on Him
- 1.5. He is all powerful, He can do anything, we should always ask Him for help
- 1.6. He's happy with us when we obey him (do good), and unhappy when we disobey him (do wrong)
- 1.7. He is the most forgiving, if we sincerely ask for his forgiveness

#### **2. Allah's Creation:**

- 2.1. Allah created the sky, sun, moon, stars, rain, earth, rivers, mountains, plants, animal and ALL else
- 2.2. Allah made Jins from fire (Iblis) and angels from light
- 2.3. Allah created first Adam & Hawwa (story of their creation & Shaitan's disobedience)

#### **3. Allah has sent Prophets:**

- 3.1. Prophets were sent to show us how to be good (simple stories of Nuh & Yunus (AS))
- 3.2. Muhammad (SAW) was the last prophet of Allah, we love, respect and follow him

#### **4. Some of the Prophet received Holy Books from Allah:** these books were to teach people how to be good

#### **5. Introduction to the Five Pillars of Islam:** Name of the five pillars with simple explanations

#### **6. Allah wants us to:**

- 6.1. Love and obey Allah, our parents, grandparents, teachers, and other elders; talk to them respectfully
- 6.2. Greet Muslims with As salaamu-alaikum and reply with Walaikum as salaam, Wa RaHmatullaahi....
- 6.3. Always speak the truth; he rewards us for speaking the truth and being good
- 6.4. Remember Allah (say Bismillaah, Allaahu Akbar, Masha'Allaah, SubHan Allaah) throughout the day
- 6.5. Thank Allah for all his blessings (say Bismillaah before and AlHamdulillaah after eating, drinking)
- 6.6. Thank Allah when you sneeze (AlHamdulillaah), ask Him to bless if others sneeze (Yarhamakallaah)
- 6.7. Show kindness towards other's feeling, be kind to all of His creatures
- 6.8. Ask Him to protect us from the Shaitan, our biggest enemy (Authubillaahi minash Shaitaanir Rajeem)
- 6.9. Ask Him sincerely to forgive us when we do wrong (Astaghfirullaah)
- 6.10. Behave well in masjid, follow the Imam while praying in jama'ah, and join in saying 'Aameen'
- 6.11. Learn to read the Qur'an, and know that Allah speaks the truth (Sadaqallaahul 'Adheem)
- 6.12. Forgive others when they make a mistake, and never hurt anyone even if they are mean to us
- 6.13. Be clean, keep everything tidy, and follow bathroom etiquette
- 6.14. Show respect to others property, seek permission before using it, and say thanks (Jazak Allahu Khair)
- 6.15. Be generous, share our things with others, be fair, and take turns

#### **7. Two Muslim holidays:** Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha

### Duas & Surah memorization

**Learn** about **Taharah** and how to make **Wudu** before reading Qur'an or making salaah

**Learn to give Adhan:** memorize and understand the simplified meaning of **Adhan**

**Know the etiquette** of praying in Jama'ah behind an Imam (no looking around, moving about, giggling etc.)

**Memorize and know the meaning of Kalimah Tayyab:** Laa ilaaha illallaah, Muhammadur-rasul Allaah

**Memorize the short Morning Assembly dua:** AsbaHnaa, wa asbaHal mulku lillaah, walHamdu lillaah, wa laa ilaaha illaahu, wa ilaihin nushoor)

**Memorize** the shortest Surahs: Al-Ikhlash, Al-Kauther, Al-Falaq, An-Naas, An-Nasr, Al-'Asr, Al-Quraish, and more surahs, if time permits

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### Imaniyat (Islamic Beliefs), Islamiyat (Islamic Studies)

1. **Allah's attributes (Ar-Rahman, Ar-Rahim, Ar-Rabb, Al-Malik, Al-Ahad, As-Samad, Al-Ghafoor):**
  - 1.1. Allah is only one, He has no partners, He has no father, He has no son, He is self sufficient
  - 1.2. Allah is especially merciful to those who believe in Him alone
  - 1.3. Allah is very unhappy with those who don't believe in Him or make someone his partner
  - 1.4. He is the most forgiving, if we sincerely ask for his forgiveness
2. **Allah's Creation:**
  - 2.1. Story of the Creation of Adam and Hawwa and Shaitan's disobedience
  - 2.2. Shaitan is our enemy, and we must ask Allah to protect us from him (Audhubillahi....)
  - 2.3. Difference between humans, angels, and jins in creation and behavior
  - 2.4. Angels: Kiraamin Kaatibin write our good and bad actions, and Jibril Brought Revelations
3. **Allah's Prophets:**
  - 3.1. Allah sent prophets to teach us to be good (simplified story of Saleh (AS))
  - 3.2. Allah sent Prophet Muhammad (saw) to us who showed us how to be a good Muslim (Simplified story of Year of the Elephant – the year of Prophet's birth)
4. **Allah's Revealed Books:**
  - 4.1. Allah sent books to teach people how to be good (connect names of books with prophets)
  - 4.2. Qur'an is the last unchanged book for all mankind
5. **Allah's Judgment** (Rewards for being good)
  - 5.1. What are Hasanaat; a brief introduction of the Paradise
6. **The 5 Pillars of Islam** (Explain in simple terms):  
Shahaadah (the Kalimah and its meanings), 5 times Fard Salah (its importance, their names and timings, Sawm (its importance, when to fast), Zakah (its purpose - share), and Hajj (its purpose – one Ummah)

### Akhlaqiaat (Islamic Manners)

1. Obeying, respecting and showing love to Allah, our Prophet, Parents, Grandparents, Teachers and elders
2. Proud to be a Muslim, because Allah loves those who believe
3. Doing everything to please Allah, and not just to please others
4. Muslim always speaks the truth, rewards and benefits of speaking the truth
5. Being generous with what Allah has blessed us with
6. Sharing, working together as a team with friends
7. Being kind and caring about others' feelings
8. Muslim never hurts anyone (fighting, calling names or making fun)
9. Forgiving others, resolving conflicts with friends in Islamic manner
10. Showing love, and taking care of younger children
11. Living together in harmony with Allah's creations
12. Not standing while using the washroom, and using water after it
13. Adam and importance of going to the masjid, praying in Jama' without getting distracted, listening to Khutbah
14. Stay united, Muslims are one Ummah (even if they have different nationality, color, cultures, and languages)

### Duas and Surah memorization

**Review** about **Taharah** and how to make **Wudu** before reading Qur'an or making salaah

**Review** how to perform **salaah in Jama'ah, without** looking around, moving, talking, giggling, playing etc

**Review** the Duas, Kalimaat and the short surahs memorized and their general **meanings**) from Pre-level-I

**Memorize the Surah Al-Fatiha, Ruku', Qiyaam, Sajdah, Salaam, and a short Dua** (Rabbanaa Aatinaa fidduniyaa Hasanah, wafil aakhirati Hasanah, waqinaa athaaban naar)

**Memorize:** Al-Fatiha, Al- Kafirun, Al-Feel, Al-Maun, Al-Qadr, Al-Inshirah, At-Tin, At-Takathur, Ash-Shams

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## *Level Two Class*

### Imaniyaat (Islamic Belief) and Islamiyaat (Islamic Studies)

#### 1. **Seven Pillars of Iman (Beliefs):**

- 1.1. Belief in Allah (Understand some of His Attributes: Ar-Rahman, Ar-Rahim, Ar-Rabb, Al-Malik, Al-Ahad, As-Samad. As-Salaam)
- 1.2. Belief in the Angels and their significance (Names of the few angels and their duties)
- 1.3. Belief in Jins (their difference from Angels, Iblis was a Jin, because angels can't disobey Allah)
- 1.4. Belief in Allah's Books (names and prophets receiving them; Qura'n the complete, unchanged, guide)
- 1.5. Belief in Prophets: Some of the prophets, their mission, and where they lived (look up in map)
- 1.6. Belief in the Hereafter (life after death); Introduction to Heaven and Hellfire
- 1.7. Belief in Qadr (Divine Will): Allah knows the past, present & future, He wrote what's going to happen to us

#### 2. **The concept of Free Will:** We are born pure, and are given a choice between right and wrong ways

- 2.1. **Accountability:** Simple concepts of Reward and punishment;
- 2.2. How to seek Allah's forgiveness; a good deed erases a bad deed

#### 3. **Devine books** given to **Previous Prophets** got changed or lost; **Qur'an:** A complete, unchanged book for ALL

#### 4. **Allah's Prophets:** the lessons derived from their lives: Obedience to Allah, Patience, Perseverance Allah sent prophets to teach us to be good: Over simplified stories of Ibrahim, Dawood, Musa, Isa and Muhammad (saw) as His last prophet (some important events that took place up in his life up to age 40)

#### 5. **The five pillars of Islam** (in more detail):

- 5.1. Shahaadah Understand the meaning, Introduce the simplified concept of shirk and kufr
- 5.2. Salaat: Timings and number of rakahs in the 5 daily Fard & Sunnah prayers  
Importance of **Taharah** (how to maintain it), **Wudu** (what breaks it), and the **Salah** requirements (i.e. wudu, proper covering of body, clean place, facing Qiblah, and making Niyyah (intention))
- 5.3. Sawm: Importance of Fasting, who should or not fast; significance of Taraweeh and Lailatul Qadr
- 5.4. Zakah: Who gives or receive zakah, it's benefits (sharing, taking care of orphans and poor)
- 6.1. Hajj: Where and when it is performed (**show** Mecca on the map), its significance

### Akhlaqiaat (Islamic Manners)

1. A Muslims right on another Muslim to receive Salam as a greeting (with a smile)
2. Ways of showing love and respect to Allah, Our Prophet, parents, grandparents, teachers, & elders
3. Ways to showing love and respect to our siblings, younger ones and Allah's creations
4. Selecting and being in the company of good Muslim friends
5. Sharing and working together as a team with Muslims and Non-Muslim friends
6. Not discriminating anyone for their nationality, race, or language
7. Seeking Knowledge leads to greater understanding of Allah and it is a great act of Ibadah
8. Cleanliness and Purification brings us close to Allah; don't stand while using the washroom; use water after
9. Adaab of entering and behaving in the masjid
10. The virtues of always speaking the truth, being honest and fair to all
11. A Muslim never lies, not even as a joke
12. Keeping ones promises made to Allah and to people

### Duas and Surah Memorization

**Review** the Adhan, understand its purpose; the way to perform salaah behind an Imaam

**Learn** to call Iqaamah; to perform salah alone (without looking around, moving, talking, giggling, playing)

**Review** the wordings of: Ruku', Qiyaam, Sajdah, Salaam, and a short Dua

**Memorize** the wordings of Thana, Tashahhud, Darood, Aayat-al-kursi

**Learn** how to perform Witr Salah, memorize the Dua-e-Qunuut

**Review** the Duas, Kalimaat, Surah Al-Fatiha and the other surahs learned before

**Memorize** new Surahs: Az-Zalzalah, Al-Humazah, Al-Qari'ah, Ad-Duha, and more if time permits

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## *Level Three Class*

### Imaniyaat (Islamic beliefs) and Islamiyat (Islamic Studies)

1. **Allah's Attributes** (with their meanings):
  - 1.1. Al-Khaliq, As-Samee', Al-Baseer, Al-Wadud, Ar-Raziq, Al-Kareem, Al-Hayy, Al-Qayyum,
  - 1.2. The negation of Shirk and affirmation of Tawheed
2. **Purpose of our creation:** to worship Allah:
  - 2.1. Anything can be an Ibadah (act of worship) if its done to please Allah (SWT)
  - 2.2. Acquiring knowledge can be an act of Ibadah, if it leads to better understanding and practices
  - 2.3. Striving for Taqwa (balance of love / fear of Allah with hope of Jennah), how to attain it
2. **Review the 7 articles of faith** (Iman al-Mufassil):
  - 2.4. **Day of Judgment** in Qur'an, understanding of our accountability to Allah (rewards & punishment)
  - 2.5. Qada wa **Qadr** (Divine Will): Allah's knows the future so He wrote what's going to happen to us
  - 2.6. Clarify **Free Will**: We are born pure, with a conscience to help us choose between right and wrong
3. **Review Allah' Books** to previous prophets; **Qur'an**: A complete, unchanged book, a criterion for ALL times; A book of guidance for believers; Significance of learning the Language of Qur'an; Quote 1-2 ayaat from the Qur'an on this subject matter
4. **Prophet Muhammad's (SAW) Life in Makkah:**
  - 4.1 Stories of interaction with Jibril (washing of his heart, receiving first revelations, etc.)
  - 4.2 What happened after he became a Prophet; Who were the first Muslims; Who were his enemies
  - 4.3 Introduce Ali, Abu Bakr, Khadeeja, Fatima, Bilal, Abdul Muttalib, Abu Talib, Abu Lahab
- 5 **Ibadaat** (according to the Sunnah of our Prophet (SAW):
  - 5.1 The conditions of: Taharah, Wudu, Tayamum, Massah over socks, Massah over hijaab
  - 5.2 The essentials of Salah: wuduu, proper covering, clean place, facing Qiblah, making Niyah
  - 5.3 The importance of praying on time, without rushing through it, understanding the wordings
  - 5.4 When and how to shorten prayers (Qasr), make-up the missed salah (Qada), make Sajdah Sahw
- 6 **The Hijri Calendar**: It's origin, names of the months and the significant things that happen in them

### Akhlaqiaat (Islamic Manners)

1. Ways of showing gratitude to Allah, and understand our duties to Him
2. Ways of showing respect to our parents & teachers and understand their rights on us
3. Ta'awun (cooperation) in our daily life
4. Patience, and perseverance in Islam
5. Truthfulness, Honesty, and keeping promises in Islam
6. Humility, and Moderation in Islam
7. Avoid ridiculing, backbiting, spying,steeling
8. Being supportive, and giving nasihah to a friend
9. Cover other's faults, and Allah will cover ours on the day of judgment
10. Fairness, Justice, and Zero discrimination in Islam
11. Taking care of our masjid, and praying in Jama'ah
12. Reading Qur'an in a beautiful tone (with Tajweed), understanding its meaning and following it

### Duas & Surah Memorization with Meaning

**Understand the general meaning** of the entire **salaah**: surah Al-Fatiha, Ruku', Qiyaam, Sajdah, Salaam, Thana, Tashahhud, Darood, Aayat-al-kursi, the Dua-e-Qunoot, and the **short surahs** learned before

**Memorize and understand** the general meaning of the Dua: Rabbanagh firli wali waalidaiya, wa lil mu'mineena, yauma yaqoomul Hisaab (O Lord, forgive my parents and all Muslims on the Judgment Day)

**Memorize and understand the general meaning** of new surahs: Al-Inshirah, Al-Baiyinah, Ash-Shams, At-Tariq, Al-'Alaq, Al-A'laa, and more if time permits