



# ARNDALE ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER



## HAPPY HALF TERM

Well, here we are at the end of another half-term. February was an eventful month at Arndale Academy. Our students engaged in a variety of learning activities and assessments, including mid-term exams, research projects, classroom discussions, presentations, and special assemblies.

Despite the challenges we have been facing, our school community continued to demonstrate resilience and dedication in pursuing academic excellence and personal growth.

As we look forward to the remainder of the spring term, we shall remain committed to providing our students with the best possible education and fostering a safe and inclusive learning environment. We thank our students, faculty, and families for their ongoing support and dedication to our school community.

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## A Message From Our Principal, Mr. Khodr Mehzen

Dear Parents,

I hope this message finds you and your family in good health and high spirits. As we reach the end of the first half of the spring term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. It has been a pleasure to see your children grow and learn over the past several weeks.

We look forward to the second half of the spring term, and we have many exciting events and learning opportunities planned for our students. We will continue to focus on providing a broad and balanced curriculum, with a range of enrichment activities to inspire and engage our students.

Please continue to support your child's learning at home, by ensuring that they are completing homework to the best of their ability. Encourage them to read widely and independently, and to take advantage of the many resources available to them.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We value your feedback and input, and are committed to working in partnership with you to ensure the best possible outcomes for your child.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half term break, and look forward to seeing our students return to school refreshed and ready to learn.

Yours Sincerely,

Khodr Mehzen  
(Principal)

# Mission, Vision and Core Values



## MISSION

Dedicated to providing high quality and all encompassing teaching and care in a safe, stimulating and innovative environment for a life-long learning and development. To mold students to be productive, ethical, creative and compassionate members of society.

## VISION

To provide students with the highest quality education to actualize their potentials.

At ARNDALE ACADEMY, we are:



**A**CHIEVERS who are

**R**ESILIENT,

**N**OBLE,

**D**ISCIPLINED,

**A**USPICIOUS and we

**L**EVERAGE on

**E**XCELLENCE

OUR CORE VALUES





# 2023 MARCH

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	27	28	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

- FEB 27 - MYSTERY READER
- FEB 28 - SPELLING BEE COMP.
- MAR 1 - DEBATES
- MAR 2 - PUPPET SHOW
- MAR 3 - COSTUME DAY
- MAR 4 - YEAR 7 ENTRANCE EXAM
- MAR 8 - INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
- MAR 14 - INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MATHEMATICS
- MAR 15 - 17 - 2ND C.A. TESTS
- MAR 20 - FRENCH LANGUAGE DAY
- MAR 22 - WORLD WATER DAY
- MAR 22 - 24 - REVISION
- MAR 27 - EXAMINATION WEEK

## Fitness Tips of the Month

Set small achievable goals

Move more throughout the day

Find activities you enjoy

Stay hydrated

Get enough sleep

Don't compare yourself to other

Surround yourself with supportive friends and family

Fuel your body with healthy foods

Listen to your body

## QUOTES OF THE MONTH



“The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them.”

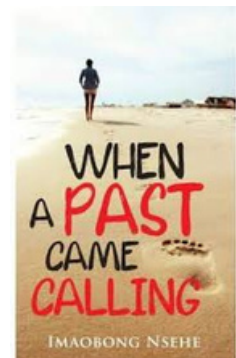
○ mark twain



“The arrogance of grass to keep growing after it has been cut down a thousand times. Thank you, teacher.”

○ Jaiya John

## Monthly \* BOOK REVIEW ★★★★★



WHEN A PAST CAME CALLING

by  
Imaobong Nsehe

When Eme disregards her dying mother's words, the effects were more serious than she had imagined. Pregnant and with no means of caring for the baby, she decides to abandon him.

Years later her decision will come back to haunt her.

This book tells the story of the consequences of disobedience, the reward of diligence and forthrightness as well as the punishment that always awaits acts of cruelty and wickedness.

**An incredibly moralistic and message-driven novel covering adolescent themes and contemporary issues.**



# FEBRUARY OVERVIEW



As February comes to a close, it's time to reflect on the events and accomplishments that have taken place at our school over the past month.

## **Open Day for Parent-Teacher Meetings:**

The Open Day was a great opportunity for parents to see our school in action, and for us to showcase the many programs and activities that we offer to our students. It was also a valuable opportunity for parents to discuss their child's progress in school. We appreciate the time that you took to attend the meetings, and we hope that you found the feedback provided by our teachers helpful. Our teachers shared information on your child's academic performance, their strengths, and provided some suggestions for improvement.

We thank you for attending.



## **International Epilepsy Day Assembly and Presentation:**

The assembly was held on February 13th, and it was designated for raising awareness about epilepsy worldwide, and to educate students about epilepsy, including the myths and misconceptions surrounding the condition, how it affects people's lives, and what can be done to support those living with epilepsy. A presentation was designed to be informative and engaging, helping students to gain a better understanding of epilepsy and how they can support those living with the condition. Overall, it was an important opportunity to promote awareness and understanding of epilepsy among young people.

# FEBRUARY OVERVIEW



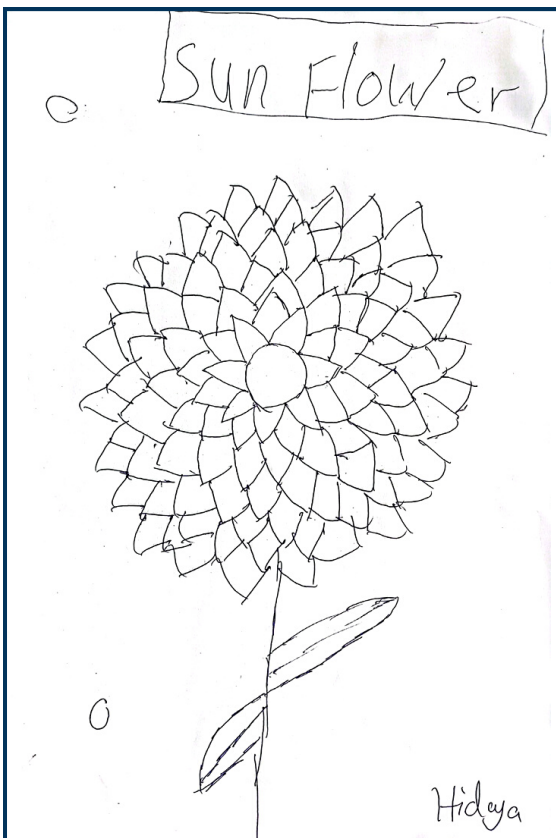
**Mid-Term Exams:**

Midterm exams were concluded at our school on February 14. With exams covering all the subjects and topics, for all classes, we recognize the effort and commitment that went into preparing for these assessments. Our students approached their exams with diligence and focus, demonstrating a strong desire to succeed and do their best. We commend all of our students for their hard work. The results of the midterm exams provided valuable insight into student progress and will be used to help guide instruction for the remainder of the term. Teachers will be working with students to review exam results and to help identify areas for improvement and growth.

✦ ✦ ✦  
*Sunflower*  
 by  
**HIDAYA**



*A Girl* ✦ ✦ ✦  
 by  
**SALMA**



**5**  
 minutes  
**DRAWING CHALLENGE**



# STARS OF THE MONTH

At Arndale Academy, we love to recognize and celebrate our students who have demonstrated exceptional behavior, academic achievement, or positive contributions to the classroom and school community every week. Recognizing star students of the week is not just about rewarding exceptional performance or behavior, but also about encouraging all students to strive towards excellence..



## EARLY YEARS



TASK	Play Class	Reception	Nursery
Week 4	FATIMA	CHIOMA	VICTOR
Week 5	JANAYA	IREOLUWA	LEENAH
Week 6	JANAYA	NAMBUCHI	LEENAH



## PRIMARY

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 6
Week 4	SUFIYAN	MELVIN	JASHWILL	LENNY	JANICE
Week 5	DAISY	MELVIN	FATIMA	ZAHRA	JANICE
Week 6	DAISY	MELVIN	JOSHWILL	LENNY	HIDAYA



## HIGH SCHOOL

	JSS 1	JSS 2	JSS 3	SS 1
Week 4	FUAD	MOHAMMAD	MARYAM	RASINE
Week 5	DAMILOLA	ALICIA	KAMIL	MUSTAPHA
Week 6	AWAL	ALICIA	KAMIL	RASINE



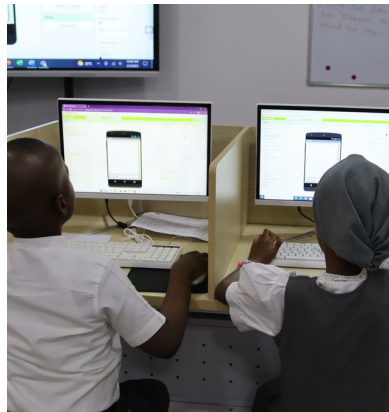


# Club Activities

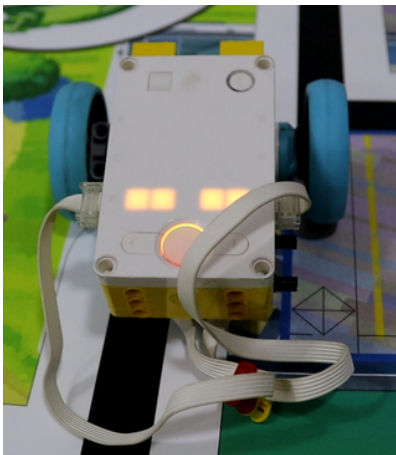


At Arndale Academy, our students are learning empowering skills, inside and outside of the classroom, that they will use for a lifetime.

We offer a very intuitive and visual programming environment that allows every child to fully build functional apps for smartphones and tablets. Students are also Exploring the wonders of robotics and lego and building their own models.



After-school clubs enable students to interact with new people, develop interpersonal skills and learn from each other. For improved students' academic performance, developed communication and social skills, and social and emotional intelligence, we highly encourage and advise parents to sign up their children for at least one club.



**REGISTRATION IS ONGOING!**

## After School Clubs

Kid-Preneur, Coding and Robotics, Dance, Soccer and Basketball, Gymnastics, Karate, Tennis and Table Tennis, Swimming, Bible club, Islamiyyah, and Young Readers Club.

The choice of clubs is endless, and many more clubs will soon be introduced.





# Inter-House Sports Day



The first inter-house sports day at Arndale Academy that was held on Saturday February 18 was a huge success, with students from all grade levels coming together to showcase their athletic abilities and team spirit. It was a fun and competitive day filled with various sporting events, from traditional track and field races to more unique competitions such as popping the balloons, filling the bottles and egg and sack races.

The event kicked off with an opening prayer and the lighting of the torch. The presentation of the Flags with the Nigerian National Anthem was next, followed by the opening speech by the Principal.

Mr. Khodr welcomed the guests and thanked them for their presence and support to celebrate this day. He discussed the importance of sports in our lives and the benefits they provide and encouraged parents to continue to support their children's involvement in sports and physical activity, inside and outside of school, and to help them maintain a healthy life style and balance between academics and other activities in order develop good habits that will benefit them throughout their lives.





# Inter-House Sports Day

## HOUSES

- Queen Moremi
- Ladi Kwali
- Queen Amina
- Margaret Ekpo

After that, the march commenced. It was a lively parade of students representing their respective houses, dressed in colorful uniforms and waving flags with great enthusiasm. The cheering and chants from the stands added to the excitement and energy of the day. Throughout the event, students showed their competitive spirit while also demonstrating excellent sportsmanship, cheering each other on and congratulating their opponents.

The highlight of the day was the parent race. It was a fun and entertaining part of the inter-house sports day and an excellent way for parents to bond with their children and create lasting memories. The day was concluded by the awarding ceremony and a final word by our Executive Director, Mrs. Umar.

The sports day was not only a great opportunity for students to showcase their physical abilities but also a chance for them to develop teamwork skills and leadership. Teachers and staff worked tirelessly to organize the event and ensure that everything ran smoothly, and we thank them for their hard work.

Overall, the first inter-house sports day at our school was electric and a tremendous success and a memorable event that brought the school community together in a fun and competitive way.

We look forward to continuing this tradition and building upon the enthusiasm and excitement generated by this year's event.





# Our Houses



YELLOW - QUEEN MOREMI HOUSE  
1st PLACE

BLUE - LADI KWALI HOUSE  
2nd PLACE



RED - QUEEN AMINA HOUSE  
3rd PLACE



GREEN - MARGARET EKPO HOUSE  
4th PLACE









# Other News



## Visit to "Our Saviour School"

A very tragic event took place on the night of Saturday, February 11, at "Our Saviour School" located in Karmo, Abuja, when a huge fire broke out due to an electrical fault. The fire caused extreme damage to the offices and the primary classes.

In a show of support and solidarity, the school management team at Arndale Academy paid a visit to "Our Saviour School". The team, led by the Executive Director, the Principal, the Deputy Head of School and the Head Teacher for the Early Years and Primary Sections, arrived at the school early Thursday morning and was greeted by the principal and staff.

During the visit, the management team toured the school and assessed the extent of the damage caused by the fire. They also spoke with the Principal and offered their condolences and support for the entire school community, including the students and their families who have been impacted by this tragic event.

The visit concluded with a donation from the Executive Director and the board of Arndale Academy to support the school and its community during this difficult time, and a moment of silence in a show of solidarity and unity in the face of this tragic event.



## Our Library Is Open

The library at our school is now open and ready to serve its users. This is a wonderful opportunity for students, teachers, and staff to access valuable resources. By using the library, students can improve their research and critical thinking skills.

It's important to take advantage of this resource, so make sure to visit the library and explore its offerings. You may find something that sparks your interest or helps you with a project.

Remember to follow any guidelines or protocols set in place to keep the library safe and clean for everyone to enjoy. Happy reading and learning!

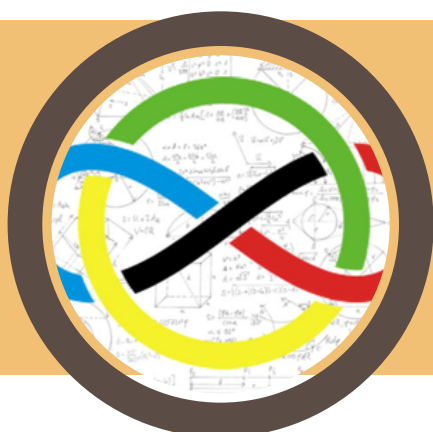


## Sports Day At Springsville School

Arndale Academy was invited to participate in the Inter-House Sports Day organized by Springsville School. It was an honor to be part of such an exciting and fun-filled occasion.

8 of our students participated in the Relay Race and showcased their skills and abilities in a very competitive race. We proudly took 1st Place in the Girls' race and 2nd place in the boys'. It was an exciting day where we met many other students and engaged in some friendly competition.

We would like to extend our appreciation to Springsville School, its management, and the team for putting together such an amazing event. It will be a memorable day for all those that were involved.



## International Science Olympiad Club

With the main goal in mind, to create a learning environment that fosters growth and success for our students, we are taking all the initiatives that will enhance our school and provide opportunities for our students to excel. One of the initiatives is the creation of the Science Olympiad Club to prepare our students for International competitions.

The club will provide a valuable and excellent opportunity for students to explore their interest in sciences (Math, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Informatics), develop their problem-solving skills, and participate in friendly competition, locally and internationally.



# Friendly Reminders



## SCHOOL PORTAL SAFSMS

Please be reminded about the importance of regularly checking the Record System Portal. The student portal is an online platform where you can view your child's grades, attendance, and other important information about their academic progress.

By monitoring the student portal, you can stay informed about your child's performance in school and provide the necessary support to help them succeed. You can also use the portal to stay up-to-date with school announcements.

If you have not yet created an account on the student portal, please contact the school's administration or your child's teacher to get started. It is essential to stay connected to your child's academic progress and ensure that they are receiving the support they need to excel.

Please press the link below to enter the portal.

- <https://arndaleacademy.safsms.cloud/login.html>

## WORLD BOOK DAY

1. On Friday 2nd March Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character, preferably making costumes from items they can find at home. There will be prizes in classes for the best 'home-made' costumes.
2. Maybe you and your children could start talking about their favourite book character and designing home made costumes over the half term holidays.

## SCHOOL FEES

- A gentle reminder regarding the fees payments for Spring Term.
- Please arrange to clear any outstanding fees to enable us to manage our tuition classes in a better way.

## STUDENT UNIFORMS

- As we are now in the middle of the school year, we kindly remind you and ask that you ensure your child is wearing the appropriate uniform to school.
- The school's uniform policy helps to foster a sense of pride and belonging among our students.



# Follow Us on Social Media

Do you know all our social media platforms? We invite all Arndale Academy families, friends, and community members to follow our social media channels.

FOLLOW US as we share moments from our school life, school updates, photos, videos, event postings, content highlighting students, faculty, and accomplishments, reminders for upcoming events, and valuable information from organizations in the community.

Below are our OFFICIAL social media pages!

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We are unquestionably grateful to have you here at Arndale Academy!  
Thank you again for entrusting your prized jewels to us!