



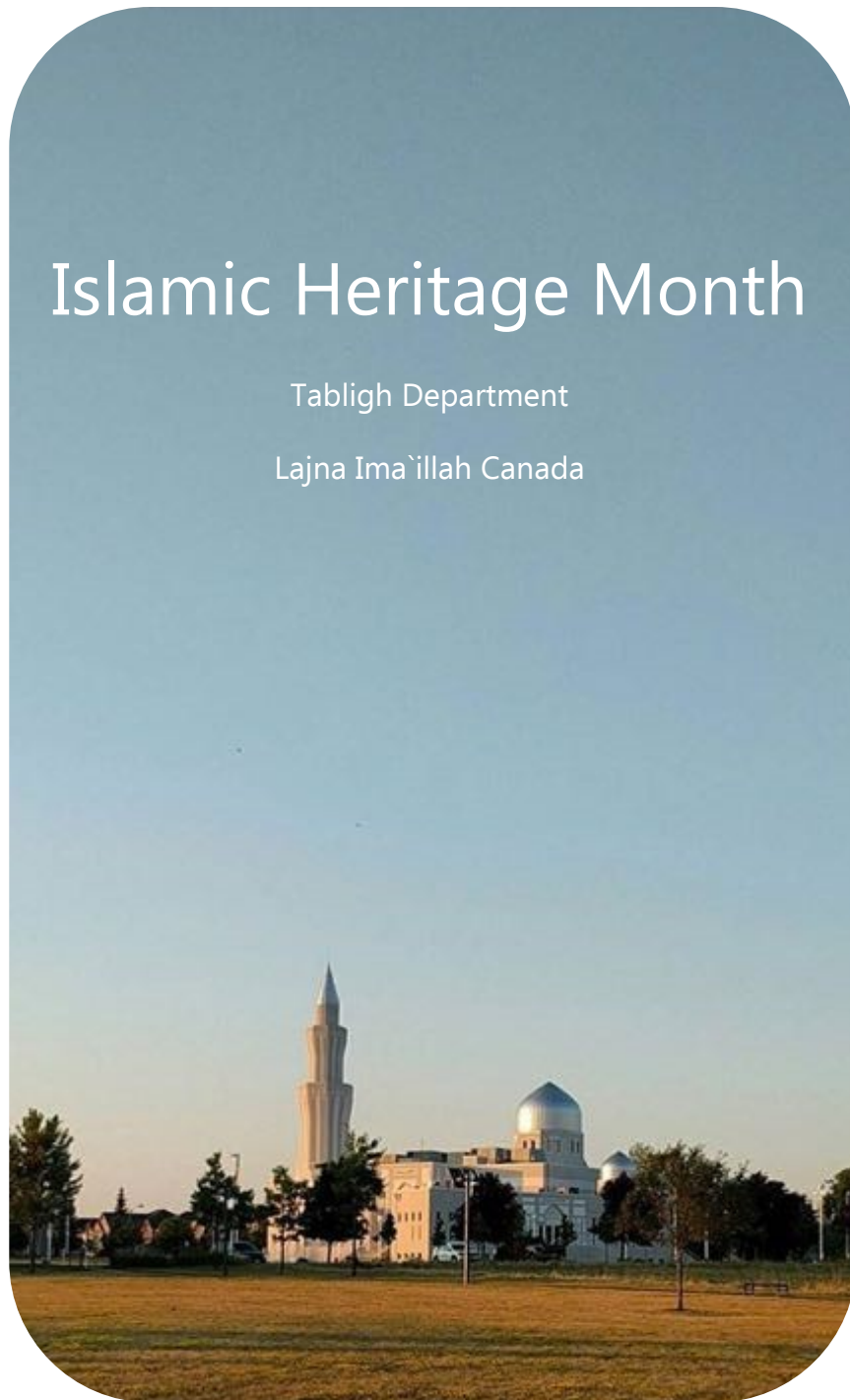
During Islamic Heritage Month the following literature was distributed!

Articles Written Against Allegations of Islam	3
Holy Quran	2
Life of Muhammad ^{as} — <i>Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad^{ra}</i>	21
A Message of Peace— <i>Hadrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad^{as}</i>	4
Muhammad (pbuh), The Liberator of Women— <i>Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad^{ra}</i>	3
True Justice and Peace— <i>Mirza Masroor Ahmad^{juda}</i>	2
Various Flyers	450
Woman in Islam— <i>Muhammad Zafrulla Khan</i>	1
World Crisis and the Pathway to Peace— <i>Mirza Masroor Ahmad^{juda}</i>	15

Islamic Heritage Month

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Islamic Heritage Month

October is now Islamic Heritage Month in Ontario and brings an exciting opportunity for Tabligh. Educating the masses on the peaceful teachings of Islam is the only way to dispel the misconceptions about Islam. By the Grace of Allah Almighty, both Lajna and Nasirat rose to the occasion and held various events (outlined below) to do exactly that! May Allah the Almighty accept our efforts and enable us to further propagate the message of Islam, Ameen!



Display organized at Emery Collegiate Institute by WSI and AAP which includes pictures of Huzoor^{ada}, books such as “Life of Muhammad^{pbuh}”, “World Crisis and the Pathway to Peace”, and introduces the motto “Love for All, Hatred for None”.

Swords can win territories but not hearts, forces can bend heads but not minds.

Mirza Tahir Ahmad, the Fourth Caliph of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

Announcements made in four different public Schools, in some cases for the duration of the month.

The principle to which we adhere to is that we have kindness at heart for the whole of mankind.

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, Founder of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community



Community Interfaith Dialogue Meeting

Toronto Islamic Foundation, October 30th

25 individuals, including Toronto Regional Sadar Sahiba and Amila members, attended the Scarborough-Guildwood Interfaith Community Dialogue Meeting organized by MPP Mitzie Hunter. In her opening remarks, MPP Mitzie Hunter stressed the importance of culturally diverse communities being a source of strength for our country.

The attendees were divided into groups and each group was asked to come up with a solution to a problem. The solution should respect the values of all faiths present. This meeting was a great opportunity for faith leaders to learn more about each other. Furthermore, it was a great opportunity to introduce Islam and Ahmadiyyat to some prominent people within the community.

Holy Quran Exhibition

Newmarket Public Library, October 31st

Majlis Newmarket had the opportunity to host a Holy Quran Exhibition in the Newmarket Public Library. They used large banners discussing the Holy Quran and the Holy Prophet^{pbuh} to prove the peaceful teachings of Islam. This led to some interesting discussions!

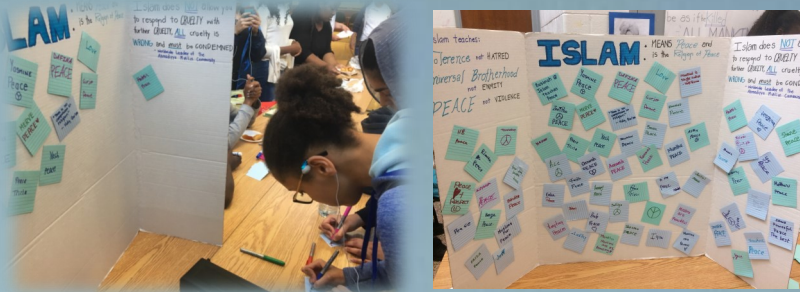
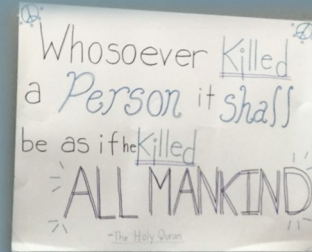




Muslims for Peace

Emery Collegiate Institute, October 26th

Lajna WSI returned to Emery CI and this time the purpose of the stall was to counter the 'violent Muslim' narrative. Students and staff wrote "peace" on sticky notes along with their name and pasted it to the Bristol board. Over 250 students and staff attended the stall. Quotes such as "Whosoever killed a person... it shall be as if he killed all mankind;" (5:33) and "The principle to which we adhere to is that we have kindness at heart for the whole of mankind" (Promised Messiah^{as}) generated a lot of discussion where many myths about Islam were dispelled.



Students commented that that the Promised Messiah^{as}, "looked like a holy person". This led to an introduction on his esteemed personality and an introduction of the Jamaat.



Condemning Las Vegas & Edmonton Attacks

October 2nd



Following the horrific incidents in Las Vegas and Edmonton not only were innocent lives lost but the peaceful teachings of Islam were called into question yet again. Articles in response to these allegations were written and a special workshop was held for Nasirat in WSI to help them identify how Ahmadi Muslims can counter the violent Muslim narrative. And show they are loyal to their countries. Nasirat made posters in support of both cities and wrote articles expressing their sympathies for the affected.

Display

Teston Village Public School, October 2nd

Majlis PVCE organized a display at Teston Village Public School for Islamic Heritage Month. This included a Holy Quran, the 5 pillars of Islam, literature and various artefacts such as prayer mats and caps. This was appreciated by both students and faculty.



Display

Maple Library, October 2nd-31st



Majlis PVCE organized a small Islamic Heritage Month Display at Maple Library. The Display included books present in the library about Islam. Some books were targeted at younger children whereas others were targeted toward middle school age children. The staff appreciated our efforts to help set up such a display.

“My Islam”

Gracedale Public School, October 2nd-31st

Mothers of WSI spoke with teachers in Gracedale Public school to inquire whether their daughters can do small presentations introducing Islam and Ahmadiyyat for Islamic Heritage Month. Presentation was created by Local Secretary Nasirat and included some core values such as purdah. This presentation was presented 12 times in grades 2-5. One of the teachers enjoyed this unique learning opportunity so much that she took the following pictures and sent them to the parent.



Peace Symposium

October 26th

Majlis AAP held a Peace Symposium where speakers from 3 different religions presented their teachings. A TDSB trustee was also present and shared their remarks on the Event. The total attendance was 94, of which 16 were Non Ahmadi Guests. Respected National Sadar Sahiba, National Secretary Tarbiyyat Sahiba and Regional Sadar Sahiba were also in attendance. Both Nasirat and Lajna helped in the planning and execution of this event. All guest speakers were given Ja'maat literature.



Holy Quran Exhibition

Bradford Library, October 16th-26th

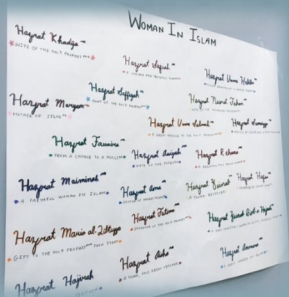
Majlis Bradford organized a long running display in Bradford Public Library in hopes that people will reach for and read the Holy Quran in their respective language and by doing so learn about the peaceful teachings of Islam. Feedback from library staff and the general public was very positive. Due to the positive feedback, another event in this library is being planned in the upcoming months!





Women in Islam & #JeSuisHijabi Event

Emery Collegiate, October 20th



Lajna WSI held this event at Emery CI to answer questions raised at the previous event regarding the status of women in Islam. While the #JeSuisHijabi portion helped to address the misconceptions regarding the hijab, the posters made on notable women in the history of Islam addressed other concerns. 200 students and faculty attended the stall.

Verses from the Holy Quran, Quotes from Huzoor (ada) and Muhammad^{sub} the Liberator of Women and Women in Islam were used to emphasize the status of Women in Islam. Students shared ideas on "Women's Rights = Human Rights" and "Be you Male or Female, you are equal". Due to high demand, many T-shirts and buttons like the ones given in the first event were handed out in this event.



"MEN SHOULD REMEMBER THAT THEY HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN POWERS TO POLICE OTHERS AND THEY SHOULD RESTRAIN THEMSELVES. IT IS NOT FOR THEM TO COVER THE HEADS OF WOMEN FROM OUTSIDE. MEN ARE COMMANDED TO RESTRAIN THEIR EYES, THEY SHOULD FULFIL THEIR OWN OBLIGATIONS. THERE IS NOT EVEN ANY COMMANDMENT TO FORBIDLY COVER THE HEADS OF MUSLIM WOMEN, LET ALONE NON-MUSLIM WOMEN. IT IS MEN LIKE THESE WHO HAVE HARDLINE IDEAS..."

His Holiness, Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Leader of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Jama'at

Upon reading the following quote from the Huzoor (ada) many students said that, "We need more men like him to stand up for women rights."



Bake Sale for Victims of Hurricane Maria

October 3rd-13th

Lajna and Nasirat from WSI held a bake sale where orders for desserts were taken throughout the majlis and delivered to their respective homes. The purpose of this bake sale was to show that Islam encourages it's followers to care for humanity.— and we do! Non Ahmadi's living in the majlis also participated in this initiative. Over \$300 were raised during this event!



Bai'tul Islam Tour

October 3rd

Lajna PVCE coordinated a mosque tour of Bai'tul Islam for 3 Non Ahmadi guests. The guests not only enjoyed themselves but marveled at the architecture of mosque. They were given information regarding the way we pray, Friday prayers etc. Their questions were also answered. It was a successful event!



#IAmAMuslim Ask Me Anything

Emery Collegiate Institute, October 12th

Through the #IAmAMuslim Ask Me Anything campaign Iajna WSI introduced Islam and Ahmadiyyat to students and staff at Emery CI. Over 200 students and 10 staff attended the stall and many completed the prompt "To Me A Muslim is...". Quotes by the Promised Messiah^{as} and the Holy Quran were presented. The major discussion was the differences between Muslims and Ahmadi Muslims which lead to the introduction of the Promised Messiah^{as}, the system of Cliphate and the Jamaat, and the persecution of the Jamaat around the world. Books and flyers were distributed. In order to show our appreciation for letting us table at the school, a \$50 donation was made to a club within the school that is gathering money to build a well.



The board made by students and staff completing the prompt, "To Me A Muslims is..." is now on display in the Principles Office and is a continuous source of tabligh. Students from Emery CI supported t-shirts with the quote by Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad^{ra}, "Nations cannot be reformed without the reformation of youth" and buttons with, "Is Allah not sufficient for His servant" (39:37).

Holy Quran Exhibition & #JeSuisHijabi

Emery Adult Learning Center, October 18th

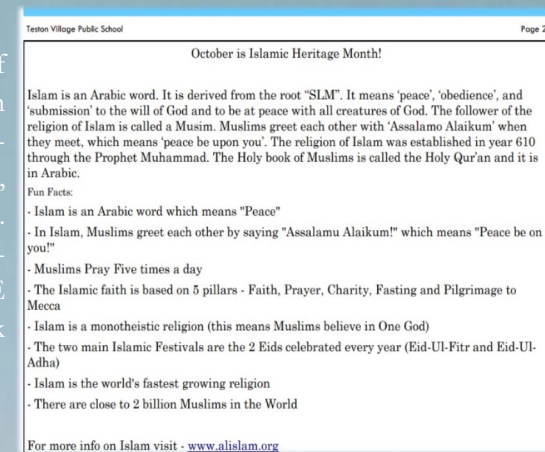
AAP and WNW had the opportunity to host a Holy Quran Exhibition and a #JeSuisHijabi stall. They also had various artifacts such as prayer mats present at the stall. The Vice Principal was extremely impressed with the organization and magnitude of the stall. VP made announcements to invite students to the event. 150 students came by the stall! There were over 40 books on display (not including the various Holy Quran) and 36 books were given away (including 2 Holy Quran!).



Introduction of Islam Published in Monthly Newsletter

Teston Village Public School

Introduction of Islam published in a monthly newsletter to parents, staff and students. In this introduction majlis PVCE included the link to alislam.org.



Islamic Heritage Month			
Activity		Majlis	Number of People Impacted
Tabling	Women in Islam & #JeSuisHijabi	WSI	250
	#IAmAMuslim Ask Me Anything	WSI	200
	Muslims for Peace	WSI	250
	Bake Sale for Victims of Hurricane Maria	WSI	100
	#JeSuisHijabi	WNW, AAP	150
	Other		
Display	Emery Collegiate Institute	WSI, AAP	400
	Maple Library	PVCE	
Holy Quran Exhibition	Newmarket Public Library	Newmarket	
	Bradford Library	Bradford	
School Announcements	Emery Collegiate Institute (x22)	WSI, AAP	500
	Teston Village Public School (x18)	PVCE	
	Rexdale Middle School	AAP	
	Tam O'Shanter	WSI	500
School Presentations	Gracedale Public School (x12)	WSI	500
Flyers		WSI,	450
Workshop to train Daiyaat for this month (x2)		AAP, WSI	50
Themed Twitter threads		WSI	75-100
Peace Symposium		AAP	94
Community Interfaith Dialogue Meeting			25
Introduction to Islam (including the website alislam.org) published in newsletter of Teston Village Public School		PVCE	
Tour of Baitul Islam		PVCE	3