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A Whole Community Approach to Tarbiyah

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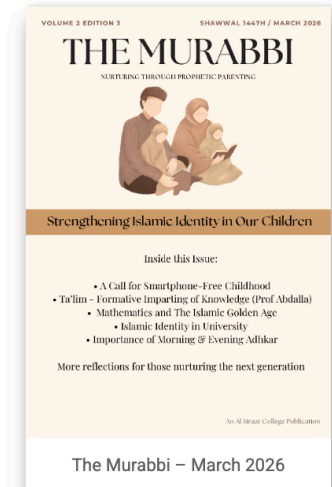
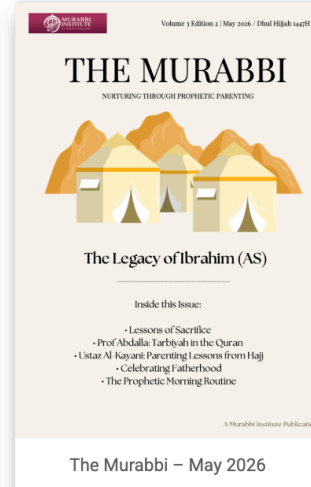
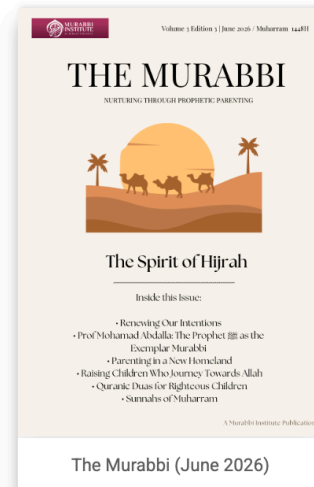
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Tarbiyah in the Qur'an

A Guide for Parents

Afternoon Parent Seminar • 2:00–3:30 pm
Professor Mohamad Abdalla AM

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Opening Reflection

**Imagine your child at 25 or 30.
What three qualities do you most hope to see?**

This reveals what we believe parenting and education are ultimately for.

The central question

What kind of human being are our homes forming?

Beyond behaviour control

Beyond academic performance alone

Toward faith, character, responsibility and service

A Qur'anic word for parenting

رَبِّ اَرْحَمُهُمَا كَمَا رَبَّيَّانِي صَغِيرًا

“My Lord, have mercy upon them, as they nurtured me when I was small.”

Qur'an 17:24

Tarbiyah is gradual nurturing, protection, guidance and growth.

Tarbiyah is not control or neglect

Not domination: “I will force the outcome.”

Not withdrawal: “They will find their own way.”

It is purposeful guidance that prepares the child for responsibility before Allah.

We cultivate; Allah grants growth and guidance.

The Qur'anic child

Fiṭrah: a receptive nature that can be nurtured, neglected or reawakened.

Karāmah: dignity given by Allah, not earned through grades or behaviour.

Amānah: children are entrusted to us; they belong to Allah before they belong to us.

Agency: gradually able to listen, choose, repent and grow.

Correction without humiliation

Correct the action without reducing the person to the action.

Name the behaviour clearly.

Preserve the child's dignity.

Keep the door to repair and growth open.

Portrait 1: Luqmān and his son

Begins with affection: “***Yā bunayya***” — my dear son.

Tawhīd, prayer, moral courage and patience.

Humility, balanced conduct and adab of speech.

Prompt: Do our children hear love in the tone of our advice?

Portrait 2: Ibrāhīm and Ismā‘īl

Authority is joined with consultation.

The child is invited into understanding and moral responsibility.

The goal is conscious obedience, not blind compliance.

Prompt: Do we explain wisdom, or only issue instructions?

Portrait 3: Ya ‘qūb’s final concern

“What will you worship after me?”

His deepest concern was ultimate orientation.

Worldly success matters, but it must sit inside īmān, worship and purpose.

Prompt: What do our children think we value most?

Activity: Hidden Curriculum of the Home

**What does our home teach
without words?**

Discuss: time • success • conflict • technology • prayer • apologies



Seven Qur'anic principles of tarbiyah

1–4

- Begin with Allah-centred purpose
- Build relationship before instruction
- Model what you ask children to become
- Work gradually and developmentally

5–7

- Combine raḥmah with boundaries
- Develop understanding and agency
- Protect the environment and make du‘ā'

A practical home tarbiyah framework

Daily connection

One prayer together when possible

Ten minutes device-free conversation

One meaningful question

Gratitude to Allah together

Weekly family formation

One short learning moment

One consultation with children

One act of service

One family muḥāsabah

Formative correction at home

Connect: regulate yourself and preserve relationship.

Clarify: what happened and who was affected?

Correct: name the action, boundary and consequence.

Cultivate and repair: what should change, and how can harm be repaired?

My home tarbiyah commitment

One practice I will begin

One practice I will reduce or stop

One relationship I need to strengthen or repair

One du‘ā’ I will make consistently for my children

Closing du‘ā’

“My Lord, make me an establisher of prayer, and from my descendants. Our Lord, accept my supplication.”

Qur’an 14:40

We cultivate, but Allah causes growth.



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