

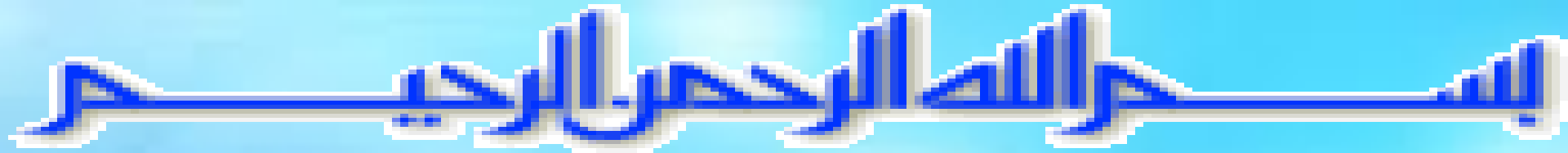


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# ***MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY***





On this Friday that is full of *rahmah* (mercy) and *barakah* (blessings), I remind myself and fellow congregation to altogether strive in increasing our *imaan* and

*taqwa* of Allah by always performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we becoming among His slaves that attain blissfulness and prosperity in this world

**and the Hereafter.**

**In conjunction with the year-end school holiday that had just recently began, let us altogether internalize upon today's *khutbah* titled**

Let us altogether ponder upon the *khutbah* today titled

# ***“MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAY.”***



Before proceeding with  
the *khutbah*, I would like  
to remind respected  
audience upon the  
reminder of Rasulullah ﷺ  
in giving full attention to  
the *khutbah* being  
delivered. Do not speak

and pursue matters that are in vain, which includes using the mobile phone while the *khateeb* is delivering the *khutbah*.

**The school vacation has returned once more. This is the moment that our schooling children have been waiting for, because they will be no longer shackled by schoolbooks, co-curricular activities**



**or even extra classes. In short, anything related to school will no longer come to their attention. In fact, many actually feel that it is the time for them to rest, have fun, and indulge in their favorite**

**activities, due to the  
time restrictions that  
they had endured  
during regular school  
session. Hence, we  
must ensure that our  
children are not**

heedless and waste  
those precious free  
time. In the *hadeeth* of  
ibn ‘Abbaas  
*radiyAllaahu ‘anhuma,*  
the Prophet ﷺ said:

***“There are two blessings which many people lose: Health and free time for doing good.”***

***(al-Bukhaari)***

**Remember, that time is precious like gold. This phrase is commonly mentioned to illustrate how time is greatly valuable. This is because the most precious matter after having attained**

attained *imaan* (belief)  
and Islam is time.

Through al-Qur'an, Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*  
had repeatedly sworn by  
time, as a reminder upon  
the importance of

time for us. Just like those  
verses recited earlier,  
from verses 1-3 of soorah  
al-‘Asr. Aside from that,  
*Allah Subhaanahu Wa  
Ta‘aala* would always  
describe the importance  
of time by

mentioning **وَالضُّحَىٰ** (By the morning brightness),  
**وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا سَجَىٰ** (And [by] the night when it covers with darkness),  
**وَالصُّبْحِ إِذَا تَنَفَّسَ** (And the day, when it brightens).



This shows that time is a *ni'mah* (favor) from Allah that is very valuable. Imaam Fakhr ad-Deen ar-Raazi mentioned in his *tafseer* of soorah al-'Asr:

***“It is as though the Almighty swore that age and time is a blessing that is not flawed but the defective loser is the human being.”***

***(Tafseer al-Kabeer)***

**The wise person is one that utilizes his time in the best possible manner. In this regard, the role of the parents is crucial in ensuring that the children will be able to partake in beneficial activities**

throughout their school holiday. Normally, the children have their own plans in utilizing their free time. What is greatly hoped is that the parents would supervise their children so that they will

not succumb to non-beneficial activities involving the corruption of the *akhlaaq* and morality, what more when it is related to the *'aqeedah* of a Muslim. This indicates that it is the

parents that will become  
the key determinant and  
architect of their  
children's future.

Narrated Abu Hurayrah  
*radiyAllaahu 'anh*: the

Prophet ﷺ said:

***“Every child is born with a true faith of Islam (fitrah) and his parents convert him to Judaism or Christianity or Magianism.”***

***(al-Bukhaari)***

**In reality, there are multitudes of activities that can be pursued throughout the school vacation. Just to share some views with fellow audience, especially**



**those with children that  
are still schooling,  
among the activities  
that can be done  
throughout the school  
holiday are:**

1. Enliven the masjid with the participation of the children through activities such as the congregational prayer, Islamic lessons, memorization of al-Qur'an, *fard al-'ayn*

**courses, *Smart Salaah*,  
*dawraat* (intensives) dan  
many others.**

**2. Picnic and sightseeing.  
In other words,  
sightseeing and picnic to  
any destination.**

Through this activity, it can provide the opportunity for those to experience the outside world, hence, to see the beauty of the creations of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.

**Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 11 of soorah al-An'am:**

***“Say, “Travel through the land; then observe how was the end of the deniers.””***

**3. School holiday camps.**  
These programs typically offers various activities that are based on the motivation for building and development of one's personality, spirituality, *akhlaaq*, *'ibaadah*, and

**its like. In addition to  
attaining knowledge, one  
also gains new  
experience and making  
new friends.**

**4. Visiting immediate and  
distant relatives, so as to**

know each other better  
and strengthen family  
ties, as well as upholding  
the *silaaturrahm* (ties of  
kinship). In the *hadeeth*  
of Anas bin Maalik  
*radiyAllaahu 'anh*,  
Rasulullah ﷺ said:



***“Whoever desires that his means of sustenance should be expanded for him and his age lengthened, should join the tie of relationship.”***

***(al-Bukhaari)***

**I also would like to remind fellow audience to not allow our children at all from wasting their school vacation with non-beneficial matters. In reality, negative deeds will not help in enhancing**

**self-potential. Instead, it only brings harm to oneself. For example, watching the television unsupervised, playing videogames and smartphone without time limitation, and**

**hanging out with friends  
regardless whether  
during the day or night.**

**Sufficient monitoring and  
supervision by the  
parents are truly crucial  
in preventing the children**

from being inflicted with harm and getting involved with immorality. This was reminded by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 6 of soorah at-Tahreem:

***“O you who have  
believed, protect  
yourselves and your  
families from a Fire  
whose fuel is people  
and stones, over  
which are [appointed]***

***angels, harsh and severe; they do not disobey Allah in what He commands them but do what they are commanded.”***

Indeed, every believer having *taqwa* will truly value and appreciate every second granted upon them. Furthermore, the role of the parents in the effort of educating the children to truly value



**time is vital, for the sake  
of their excellence in this  
world and the Hereafter.  
For the children that are  
still schooling, treasure  
your youth with beneficial  
matters. One of the five  
reminders mentioned by**

**Rasulullah ﷺ namely 'take  
advantage of your free  
time before you become  
busy' should be thoroughly  
pondered by all of us so  
that in the Hereafter we  
will not become among the  
losers.**

To end the *khutbah* today, let us altogether contemplate upon several directive guidance and suggestions mentioned:

**1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that time is very important in the lives of a Muslim, and it will be accounted for in the Hereafter.**

2. It is *waajib* (obligatory) upon the Muslim *ummah* to educate its offspring to appreciate and maximize their school vacation by pursuing beneficial matters.

**3. The Muslim *ummah*, whether the parents or communities, must always monitor and serve as the eyes and ears in ensuring that the children are not**

**involved with idle  
matters, especially  
those that can harm  
them.**

***“And those who  
believed and whose  
descendants followed  
them in faith - We will  
join with them their  
descendants, and We  
will not deprive them***



***of anything of their  
deeds. Every person,  
for what he earned, is  
retained.”***

***(at-Toor 52:21)***



**THE SECOND  
KHUTBAH**



**Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and**



**deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah ﷺ was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us**



**always increase our *salawaat*  
and *salaam* upon our Prophet  
Muhammad ﷺ . Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*  
mentions:**



***“Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace.” (al-Ahzaab 33:56)***



**O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us *rahmah* and *ni'mah*, that we are able to continue the effort in empowering the Muslim *ummah*, as an advanced state,**



**prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.**





**Hence, we sincerely beseech  
You, O Allah, strengthen our  
*imaan* and creed according to  
that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-  
Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous  
deeds, cultivate our soul with  
good mannerisms, unite our**



**hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from disasters and save us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani*, deviant teachings such as**



***Shee'ah*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. 0 Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily**



**prayers, fulfilling *zakaat*  
through the Selangor *Zakaat*  
Board, making *waqf* and *infaaq*  
of our wealth to Selangor *Waqf*  
Corporation and Islamic  
Development Trust Fund of  
Selangor.**



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