



ISC Newsletter

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'In Knowledge Lies Strength'

Dear Parent/Carer

Show forgiveness, speak for justice, and avoid the ignorant"

[Quran 7:199]



We appear to be approaching the end of term so quickly and there is still so much to be done.

I thank our SRC team and teachers for putting on another very successful FOOD FAIR on Wednesday. We raised over \$350 dollars and I am very excited about the additional sporting equipment that we can now purchase. The success of this event reminds me of what an impressive and supportive community we are.

We are finalising our reports and the Formal Assembly Awards currently and I have noted some excellent student performances across the semester. I remind you all of the End of Year Formal Assembly that will take place at the Canberra Islamic Centre on the 14th December. This will commence at

9.30am and ALL families are strongly encouraged to attend. The PFA will be supplying light food and refreshments and this morning will be a most wonderful celebration.

Over the last few weeks we have conducted a FIRE AND LOCKDOWN DRILL. I thank the students and staff for their cooperation as these drill were carried out. It was most beneficial for us to see how we can improve on these processes to ensure that our students and staff remain safe.



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This week I was visited by the YWCA who have been invited to set up a before and after school care programme at our school. At the front office and attached to this newsletter we have 'expressions of interest' forms to be completed by parents/carers who may be interested in using this service. Please complete this paperwork and return it to school as soon as possible so this service can be considered.

Shortly I will be sending out an amended fee structure for tuition at the Islamic School of Canberra. Our fees are by Independent School standards very low and we are now required to raise our fees to reflect increasing costs of resources, staffing and utilities. Fees are critical for a school of this size and I would like to remind our community that the payment of fees allows the school flexibility and innovation around not only engagement with the National Curriculum but also important aspects of the Islamic Faith (Arabic/Quran/Islamic Studies). I will be sending a separate letter out regarding our new fee structure and if there are families who are struggling to pay fees currently or who may be challenged with an increase are invited to make an appointment with me to discuss this

Early next week families will be provided with a link to a survey to capture your thoughts around aspects of the Islamic School of Canberra. You will be asked questions around quality of education, communication, well being and thoughts on what you would like our school to do better. I ask that you take the time to complete this survey as your opinions matter a great deal and will drive the development of our strategic plan into 2017 and beyond.

Finally I am asking families to consider supporting the school in a Learn to Swim programme. I have noted that there are many students across our school who have limited water safety skills. I would like to put all of our students through a swim programme that would take place across Term 1, 2017. This programme would involve 4 lessons and culminate in a Swimming Carnival. The students would be taught in gender specific classes and the carnival would run as gender based activities with girls and boys competing at separate times across the day. We have a responsibility to keep our students safe and water safety is a critical skill, especially with our Australian outdoor lifestyle. It is expected to cost each student around \$80 for involvement in the programme and I feel this is worth considering. Further information will be provided over the next few weeks.

Wishing you all a good weekend
Inshallah

David Johns- Principal



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AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED ON WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER, 2016

CLASS AWARDS

DUX- Student who is academically strongest in the Year Group.

MOST IMPROVED- Student who has made the greatest improvement in their Year Group across the academic year.

CONSTANT EFFORT- Student who has continued to put in a strong effort in their Year Group throughout the year.

ISC AWARD- Student who demonstrates the motto of the school 'In Knowledge lies Strength' and displays the values of the Quran.

ARABIC/QURAN/ISLAMIC STUDIES

OUTSTANDING- Student who has displayed excellent skills in ARABIC/QURANIC/ISLAMIC STUDIES in Year Group.

IMPROVED- Student who has shown excellent improvement in ARABIC/QURANIC/ISLAMIC STUDIES in Year Group.

HOUSE AWARDS

A student from each HOUSE GROUP who demonstrates leadership through involvement, motivating others and supporting student within the HOUSE. One student is chosen from each HOUSE GROUP- MECCA, HIRAA, MEDINA, AL-AKSA

YEAR 6 GRADUATION CERTIFICATES

Students who have graduated from Year 6 will received a Year 6 Graduation Certificate

YEAR 7 LEAVING CERTIFICATES

Students who will be leaving the Islamic School of Canberra to continue further study at another school will receive this certificate

PFA- Principal's AWARD

A student in Years 4-7 who is an outstanding member of our community. This student relates to students and staff in a caring and cooperative manner and tries their best at everything that is presented to them. This student is a role model for the Islamic School of Canberra in religious, academic, extra curricula and social endeavours. This is a very prestigious award.

SCHOOL LEADERS- SCHOOL CAPTAINS AND HOUSE CAPTAINS

Students in Year 5 who have completed an application for leadership form will be presented with a leadership badge. House captains and School Captains will also be announced. The captain positions are determined through application and a presentation that is made to the school community. The school community (staff, students) vote on these positions.



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YWCA CANBERRA

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Looking for before and after school care?

If before and after school care was offered at the Islamic School of Canberra from term 1, 2017 would you be interested?

If so, please tick the boxes below. One box per child so we can gauge the viability of running a program at the school. The YWCA Canberra runs engaging, educational programs across Canberra that are child-led and play-based.

The cost of care:

Before school care permanent \$18.00 per session casual \$19.00 per session

After school care permanent \$28.00 per session casual \$30.00 per session

All families using care are eligible for **Childcare Benefit (CCB)** and/or a **Childcare Tax Rebate (CCR)**. This equates to 50% rebate of fees up to \$7,500 per child per annum. Families are required to have registered for childcare benefit with the Family Assistance Office and provide their individual **Customer Reference Numbers (CRNs)** for both the parent and the attending child/ren.

Childs name.....

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School Care 7.30am to 9.00 am					
After School Care 3.00 pm to 6.00pm					

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