



ISC Newsletter

Islamic School of Canberra

'In Knowledge Lies Strength'

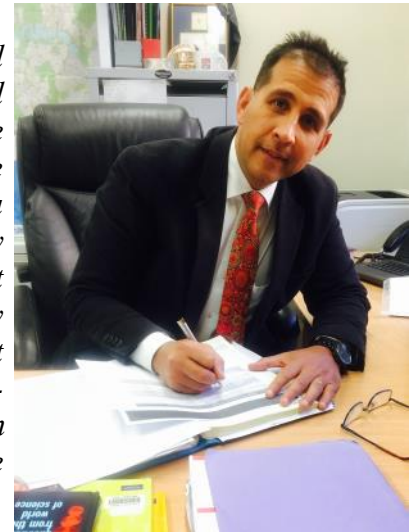
Dear Parent/Carer

'Say: None in the heavens or on earth, except God, knows what is hidden: nor can they perceive when they shall be raised up (for Judgement)

(Al Naml 27: 65)

I write to you as our community prepares for Eid-ul-Adha.....

"O my Lord! Grant me a righteous (son)!" So We gave him the good news of a boy, possessing forbearance. And when (his son) was old enough to walk and work with him, (Abraham) said: O my dear son, I see in vision that I offer you in sacrifice: Now see what your view is!" (The son) said: "O my father! Do what you are commanded; if Allah wills, you will find me one practicing patience and steadfastness!" So when they both submitted and he threw him down upon his forehead, We called out to him saying: O Ibrahim! You have indeed fulfilled the vision; surely thus do We reward those who do good. Most surely this was a manifest trial. And We ransomed him with a momentous sacrifice. And We perpetuated (praise) to him among the later generations. "Peace and salutation to Abraham!" Thus indeed do We reward those who do right. Surely he was one of Our believing servants.



(AS-SAAFFAT verse 100 – 111)

May you all have a special time with family and friends across this Eid blessings. Our prayers are with those who are fulfilling the religious duty of Hajj. A reminder that school will **not be open** from Friday 1st September- Monday 4th September.

I thank families who were involved in the Parent/Teachers sessions across this week. The feedback from staff was very positive and it again highlighted the importance of communication between home and the class teacher. A reminder that students will receive an Interim Report of progress over the next few weeks. It is hoped that this information will be an additional guide for families as to the progress of their child/ren.

HATS

As we enter our first week of Spring I would like to inform families that hats are expected to again be worn. There was a number of hats found in Lost Property and these have now been collected. I am hoping that ALL students will be wearing hats from Tuesday 5th September, 2017 (Next Week). Families are reminded that if students are not wearing a hat they will not be permitted to play in our open areas. Hats can be purchased from the school.

'NO HAT NO PLAY'



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KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Across this term we have been required to run a large Kindergarten class. Mariam Haider has been working very hard with this class and her efforts have been greatly appreciated. With the return of Neha Sultana from maternity leave I have decided to split this Kindergarten class so further good work can be done with smaller student numbers. In preparation for this, Ms Neha will be returning to classes in Week 10 so she can get to know the Kindergarten class and set up resources to align with their specific needs. It is exciting to have Ms Neha back with us and I am sure the Kindergarten students will enjoy working with Neha and Mariam into Term 4. At this stage I have decided that our Kindergarten class requires additional support. I am aware that Year 2 are a combined class and I am currently considering how this class can also be supported. I ask that families continue to be patient while we look into alternatives.

SCHOOL LEASE UPDATE

Things have been progressing very well around the transfer of lease to the new organisation. Paperwork is now being finalised for submission to ACT Government and continued conversations are taking place between the new owners of the lease and the school Board. This is a wonderful outcome for our school and will place us in a very strong financial position.

With the support of the new owners, and hopefully a positive outcome from our Internal Review as well as continued confidence of our school community, we are well positioned to educate young people in the Islamic tradition for many years to come.

YOUR HELP PLEASE

I am now asking our school community to guarantee the future of the Islamic School of Canberra through:

- Payment of School Fees on time
- Telling those in your community that our school is looking at a bright and very positive future
- Finding enrolments where ever you can
- Inviting everyone you know to come to the school and have a visit to meet the Principal
- Continue to be supportive of our staff and our Academic/Cultural programmes
- Pray for our school

CROSS COUNTRY

Next Thursday 7th of September we will be running our Annual Cross Country event. This will take place in the morning and Parents/Carers are invited to come and watch this event. Students will be required to attend in their HOUSE COLOURS and have the correct footwear. Point will be given to students who take part in this activity. The Cross Country Carnival is an important community event and students are strongly encouraged to attend and take part. Information will be sent out to families closer early next week.



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HEADSPACE

Our impressive YEAR 4 students decided to organise and run a food stall last week to raise money for HEADSPACE. This is a national organisation that run programmes and produces resources to assist in community education around Mental Health. This class managed to raise over \$300 and is a credit to their hard work and motivation. This donation will be presented to a Headspace representative next week. I am indeed very proud of our Year 4 students!

NATURAL DISASTERS

I draw your attention to the Natural disasters that are unfolding in America and the Sub-Continent. We can only begin to imagine what those affected must be currently going through. I ask that we all pray for these communities during this very difficult time. I especially understand that we have many families who have strong connections to parts of the sub-continent and there could be very personal connections to what is currently taking place there. I hope that our 'brothers and sisters' are looked after during these extreme weather events.

Kind Regards

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