



ISC Newsletter

Islamic School of Canberra

'In Knowledge Lies Strength'

Dear Parent/Carer

As-salāmu 'alaykum

"You who believe! Stand out firmly for God, as witnesses to fair dealing, and let not the hatred of others to you make you swerve to wrong and depart from justice"

(Chpt 5: v.8)

This week has been a very busy one for our school! We had our School Photographs, a visit from Questacon (to teach our students about Science) and a practice Fire Drill. Around all of this we continued our Enrichment Activities and even started our Squash club! It is terrific to see our students engaged in so many different activities and I thank our families who support these. The Baking students made the best BANANA CAKE I have ever eaten- I am sure that MASTERCHEF is just around the corner.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE

This continues and it is hoped that we will get more families taking part in this service. You are reminded that After School Care takes place from 3.25-6.00pm every day of the week and students are provided with lots of activities and afternoon tea. It would be worthwhile visiting the programme to see what exciting things are done in the afternoons.

SCHOOL FEES- NOW DUE

A note to families that SCHOOL FEES are now due and I would ask that fees are paid as soon as convenient. There are many resources the school is keen on acquiring to further improve learning in the classroom and these will be purchased as we receive school fees. If families are experiencing difficulty in the payment of fees I would ask that communication is made with the front office so an appointment can be arranged with the Principal

STAFF ABSENCES

Last week we were informed of the wonderful news that Ms Chabina Hussaine gave birth to a beautiful baby girl - Norah! This is indeed a blessing.

At the same time I wish to mention to our school community, staff who need our prayers. We have a number of staff with family illness and I wish them strength as they provide support to those they love. Brian, our school Bus driver experienced the loss of his father earlier this week and has travelled down to Victoria for the funeral. Brian works tirelessly for our school around the grounds and transporting students to and from school. Our thoughts are with him at this time.



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We have also heard this week that our Campus Manager - Br Mohammed Berjaoui has been ill and was required to spend some time in hospital. Br Mohammed has been ill for quite some time and this news is concerning for all of us. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. Br Mohammed has worked hard for our school for a number of years and our community has been well supported by him.

Finally, I wish to inform our community that Ms Jacque Gibb (Year 3- Penguins) has presented her resignation effective immediately. Ms Jacque has only been with us a short time and has been well enjoyed by the students and staff at our school. Ms Jacque needs to have some time away from the teaching profession to attend to personal matters. Our community thanks Jacque and it is hoped that we may one day see her contributing further to our school.

The school has put in place some temporary measures to support the Year 3 class as we find a suitable replacement. I have been working with Ms Jacque and Ms Neha to ensure that teaching and learning will not be compromised during this transition period and will keep ALL Year 3 families informed as we organise our Year 3 class arrangements. I appreciate your patience regarding this sudden staff departure.

BOARD AND PFA

I commend to you all the work that the BOARD and PFA are doing for our school community. Last week I attended the PFA General Meeting and met parents/carers who are committed to our school and are keen to provide all the support required to realise the potential of the Islamic School of Canberra. I commend them and ask you all to consider involving yourself in this Association. I am unable to run this school without the PFA and parents/carers who are willing to offer support, advice and suggestions to improve what we do!

Our Board continue to work behind the scenes to ensure that our funding is continued and that we are well resourced to deliver quality educational experiences for the children under our care. This weekend we have a Board meeting and today the Board will be meeting our staff to talk with them about the school and thank them for everything they have done for your children. The efforts of our Board continue to be very much appreciated.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend - INshallah!

David Johns

Principal

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Students enjoying their first Squash lesson!!



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