



ISC Newsletter

Islamic School of Canberra

'In Knowledge Lies Strength'

Dear Parent/Carer

Assalamu alaikum

"Whether you hide what is in your hearts or reveal it, God know all: HE knows what is in the heavens, and what is on earth. And God has power over all things"

(Ale Imran: v29)

It has been a very busy week for our school and I thank our staff for their continued hard work as we continue to assess student performance leading to the completion of our end of semester reports. We continued our Enrichment Programme, had another week of Scholastic Bookfair and our students took part in a variety of excursions and other exciting activities. On Wednesday we heard from several Public Speakers at our assembly and they were outstanding. I commend the work of Ms Toni in preparing these students so well. Our Handball competition commenced this week and I thank our Year 5 students for their time in organising and supervising this.



PUBLIC HOLIDAY- RECONCILIATION DAY (MONDAY 28th MAY)

The holiday will replace Family and Community Day. It will mark the 1967 Referendum anniversary and will be at the start of National Reconciliation Week. It is thought that this public holiday will be a celebration of multiculturalism all its forms with clear reference to our indigenous brothers and sisters..

Our school across this week has been involved in a number of activities to acknowledge this important Public Holiday and it is hoped that families take time out of their busy lives to engage in the many activities in Canberra over the weekend. Some of these are detailed below:

Reconciliation in the Park (FREE) Monday 28 May 2018 **10am to 2pm**, Glebe Park, Civic

National Gallery of Australia (FREE) Monday 28 May 2018, **9.30-5.00pm**

Celebrate at the NGA with cultural performances, conversations and workshops for the whole family to enjoy. The program includes a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony and performances by the Reconciliation Choir and Ngambri Dancers. There will also be a range of free Indigenous Cultural Experiences including Sit down 'Yarn Up' with Elders, Local Bush food and medicine, Local History Workshop, History, Language & Culture Workshop, Drop in Adornment Jewellery or Art classes.



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National Museum of Australia (FREE)- Monday 28 May 2018, 10–12pm

Join us at the National Museum of Australia for Reconciliation Day – Canberra's newest public holiday – with traditional dance, talks and hands-on activities representing the vibrant artistic, spiritual and cultural traditions of the Torres Strait.

READING EGGS AND MATHLETICS

There has been an overwhelming response from teachers and families to take advantage of the special subscription offer for these excellent online programmes. We will complete the administration associated with these programmes and sign up children over the next few weeks. I will be sending to families a permission note to be a part of this programme. Please be aware of the following:

MATHLETICS and READING EGGS- COST - \$40.00 (subscription until END OF FEBRUARY 2019)
DISCOUNT OF \$10 applies for families who attend an information session on the programmes
All costs will be placed on the Term 3 school fee notices

This is a considerable saving and with additional training families will be able to provide excellent support to their children as they work on developing their Literacy and Numeracy skills.

TERM 2 SCHOOL FEES

Please be aware that Term 2 School fees are now due and it would be appreciated if these could be paid as soon as convenient. Any families who have concerns associated with the payment of fees may make an appointment with the Principal, through the front office as required. I thank all families who have already paid their school fees.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

It is not unusual for parents/carers to meet with me requesting assistance in finding work. We are seeing an increasing number of families moving from interstate who wish to make Canberra their home but are unable to find work. I am very aware that we have many parents/carers who have their own businesses and may be in a position to offer work for the right applicant. If you are in a position to employ members from our community within your business I would appreciate hearing from you. We all have a responsibility as a community to do what we can to help those who may be struggling. I appreciate you all giving this consideration.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

I ask that our community is reminded about the following dates for the remainder of this term

RECONCILIATION DAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) - MONDAY 28th MAY, 2018

QUEENS BIRTHDAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) - MONDAY 11th JUNE, 2018

EID BREAK FRIDAY 15th JUNE- MONDAY 18th JUNE, 2018

TERM ENDS FRIDAY 29th JUNE, 2018 (END OF WEEK 9)

TERM 3 COMMENCES	STAFF-	MONDAY 23rd JULY, 2018
	STUDENTS-	TUESDAY 24th JULY, 2018

Have a wonderful and restful long weekend with family and friends - Inshallah!

Kind Regards

Mr David Johns- Principal



public speaking by students at senior assembly



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