



ISC Newsletter

Islamic School of Canberra

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Dear Parent/Carer *Salaam Alikum*

"It is out of His Mercy that He has made for you night and day, - that you may rest therein, and that you may seek of His Grace;- and in order that you may be grateful"

(Al Qasas: v.73)

It has been a very busy week for our staff and students and I thank everyone for the positive manner with which they have commenced our last term for the academic year.

STUDENT BEHAVIOUR AND PRAYER TIMES

As stated in previous newsletters, our staff have commenced discussions around managing student behaviour using a consistent approach that is clearly understood by students, parents/carers and staff. As we work through this we wish to ensure that

- * Parents/carers are informed - as required
- * Students have opportunity to voice their concerns or understanding of events
- * Parents/carers are provided with both positive and negative behaviours and that this communication is ongoing

Ultimately through the development of a detailed, consistent and clearly understood Behaviour Management process we can support students to make good choices and learn from mistakes in a safe and supported manner. I commend my staff on their continued professional manner when working through this process. As this is finalised I will present it to the community to ensure clarity and understanding.

OPEN DAY

The school Open Day will take place on Saturday 3rd November, 2018. The work that is currently taking place at the school involving the PFA and the Board is significant and I hope you have all blocked this date out in your calendar. There will be lots of activities and food for the whole family and presentations will be made by our students. Please come along and support our school.

REPORTS

The timeline for reports has been released and families will be provided these reports on Friday 14th December, 2018. If families have any concerns associated with the release of these reports I encourage you to make contact with the front office. I commend the staff on the work they are doing to provide detailed and accurate information regarding student progress.

AWARDS NIGHT

Please note that the AWARDS NIGHT will be taking place on TUESDAY 4th of December at the ALBERT HALL. We will be commencing the evening at 5.30pm and the programme will conclude 7.30pm at the latest. It will be a celebration of everything students have achieved across the 2018 academic year.

BRUMBIES RUGBY UNION

I thank the BRUMBIES who have commenced their 5 Week programme with ALL our students. It is so great to see our students engaging in a sport that they are not familiar with and enjoying it so much. I thank the Australian Government for their Sporting Schools Initiative that has funding this excellent experience for our students.



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SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Scholastic book fair is on next week from Tuesday to Friday. It will be open recess and after school. Please come and have a look as all profits go towards new books for our library!

JEANS FOR GENES DAY 25th OCTOBER'18

In Islam, we are encouraged to think about people who are less fortunate than ourselves and continuously appreciate what small blessings Allah has given us. Many children are very fortunate to have a healthy body! However there are some children, 1 in 20 children, who are born with a birth defect or a genetic disease. On average, that's one in every classroom!

Our School Representative Council (SRC) would like to take part in a well-known fundraiser, Jeans for Genes Day, on 25th (this Thursday) to raise awareness for childhood diseases and raise money to assist the researchers in finding cures for those diseases. We are asking that every student wear their jeans to school in order to fund raise for this worthy cause! Every student will have to bring in a gold coin donation on the day! There will also be small items that students can purchase on the day - this includes pens, badges, yo-yo, and head phones, etc.

The clothing will need to be appropriate and will need to abide by our Islamic values at this school. We appreciate your help in this!

We are looking forward to seeing the students in a sea of denim where we take a united stance against childhood disease!!!

LAST DAY OF TERM

A reminder that our last day of classes will be FRIDAY 14th December, 2018. The following week will be a Professional Development week for the staff. The last day for staff will be Wednesday 19th December. On Wednesday 19th December parents/carers will be provided with the opportunity to meet with staff to talk about aspects of the School Reports if required. It will also be the day that Kindergarten 2019 will have further orientation and testing in preparation for the new academic year.

VOLUNTEERS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Any members of the community who are interested in volunteering to assist our staff at the school are requested to complete the attached Volunteer Expression of Interest Form. This will be processed and individuals will be invited to attend a Volunteer Orientation/Induction session next week (THURSDAY 25th October, 2018) All volunteers MUST complete the Orientation/Induction before they can work in the school.

KINDERGARTEN MEET AND GREET

On the 2nd November, 2018 new families are invited to attend the KINDERGARTEN 2019 Orientation programme. This will commence at 9.00am and conclude at 12.00pm. During this time students will gather and meet the Kindergarten staff. The parents/carers will meet the staff, Principal and go on a tour of the school. Time will be spent engaging with students and answering questions from Parents/Carers as required.

Please be aware that numbers are increasing across ALL year groups, especially Kindergarten and if you know of people who are keen on enrolling in 2019- I would encourage making contact with the school as soon as possible to secure a place.





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NAPLAN

Our staff in Year 3, 5 and 7 have now received NAPLAN results for all their students and are in the process of working through them to assist in programming into 2019. I would encourage all families to go through the NAPLAN results with their child/ren and talk with them about their experiences in doing the tests and what they have learnt from the experience.

Wishing you all a great weekend - InShA Allah!

Kind Regards

Mr David Johns- Principal



kindy kids exploring capacity in Maths to see how many cups it takes to fill
different items in different size of containers!



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