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○ TERM 4 | ○ WEEK 2
○ DATE: FRIDAY 25th OCT 2019

Islamic School of Canberra

IN KNOWLEDGE LIES STRENGTH

Newsletter

"Show forgiveness, enjoin kindness, avoid ignorance."

Quran 7:199

Dear Parent/Carer,
Assalaamu 'alaiyukum wa rahmatullaahi wa barakaatuh. Peace be upon you and the mercy and blessings of Allah.

ORIENTEERING

Senior classes started their four-week Orienteering course this week through ACT Sporting Schools. Orienteering is a sport that requires navigational skills using a map and compass to navigate from point to point. Students are given a map of the school, which they use to find control points. After the four weeks of Orienteering, students will participate in a four-week Cricket program.



Toni Brammall



TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Over the coming week, ISC will have a staff member monitoring the carpark at drop-off and pick-up time. They will be wearing a fluorescent vest and be giving directions to cars and pedestrians. Please ensure that you acknowledge and follow their directions as we are trying to make this time easier and safer for everyone.

SUNSCREEN

As the sun UV is high through the day now. All students are to bring sunscreen in to apply before recess so it lasts through both the play times.

OPEN DAY

Open Day was held last Saturday 19th October. Although we fought the wind all day, it was a great day had by all. I would like to say thank you to the Open Day Committee that worked tirelessly to organise the running of the day. I would also like to thank the teachers and students who prepared the amazing presentations in the assembly. Thank you to Taj Agra in Belconnen for catering the delicious lunch. Last, but not least, I would like to thank the phenomenal volunteers that helped throughout the day, especially those mums who made 800 of those scrumptious cupcakes - an amazing job done by all. Please see below for some pictures of the day.

ENRICHMENT

Enrichment forms have now been submitted and courses will start next week. It was great to see so many students nominate themselves to try something different. We will have photos in the weekly newsletter to keep you updated on the activities being undertaken.

EARN & LEARN PROGRAM

Through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, our school collected quite a number of stickers that we could use to redeem for equipment and resources. Most of the stickers were used to redeem for Home Readers from Levels 1 to 8 for our Kindergarten classes. Sr Sameeha Khan helped to label and organise them into the provided boxes so they can be used when suitable for her class. Sr Mariam Haider and Ms Gowrie also has a set in their class. We are excited about these new books, which will help our Kindergarten students read in class and at home. With some leftover stickers, we redeemed some small sports equipment such as tennis balls. Hopefully, next year we will be able to collect more stickers!



TERM FEES

Term fees are now overdue. Please ensure your account is up to date with the front office. Administration Staff will now start to follow up on any outstanding balances.

FAREWELL

Unfortunately, we say farewell to one of our new teachers, Miss Janice Peh. She joined us last term and is currently on Years 7/8. ISC would like to thank her for her service and wish her all the best for her future endeavours. I will be taking over the classes from next week.

Blessings to you all,

Mrs. Toni Brammall - Acting Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

Fri 25th

Brumbies Rugby Program
Fire Education Program for
Kindergarten students
Orienteering for Years 3-6

Wed 30th

November

Fri 1st

Brumbies Rugby Program
Orienteering for Years 3-6

Wed 6th

Fri 8th

Whole School Athletics
Carnival at St Edmunds
College

Wed 13th

Fri 15th

Orienteering for Years 3-6
Interfaith Dinner at St Edmunds
College

Mon 18th –

Fri 22nd

Scholastics Book Fair

Thurs 21st

Interfaith visit from Daramalan
College for
Year 8 students

December

Tue 3rd – Wed 4th

Healthy Harold Incursion for K-
2 students

Fri 13th

Last Day of Term

ISC STAFF SNAPSHOT

A snapshot of ... Sr Sameeha Khan

What is your role at ISC?

I am the Kindergarten Teacher.

What is your background?

I grew up in India and I have been living in Australia for the last 12 years. I can speak English, Hindi and Urdu.

How did you get into teaching?

I was teaching in Sydney for 2 years before moving to Canberra. I was lucky enough to be given the opportunity to teach at ISC and I am glad to be part of a wonderful community.

What do you like to do on weekends?

I like to spend time with my family, try out new recipes and go shopping.



What do you like about your class?

In Term 4 students are very settled. I like to see the growth that my class has achieved over the year and see how much they have improved.

*Interviewed by Akram Al Harazi
and Shoaib Azizi*



Mohammad Tafhīm Tahir Islam
from Year 7 demonstrating planetary
features with his Astronomical

Telescope of
28X - 233X
magnification at
a *Science Fair*
organised by
IPDC NSW on
13th October
2019.



CROSS COUNTRY WINNERS



1ST PLACE



2ND PLACE



3RD PLACE

First Place Winners

Inaam Akbari, *Kindy Koalas*
 Sayemah Sediqyar, *Kindy Koalas*
 Rayyan Sarfuddin, *Year 1 Wombats*
 Rania Al-Smadi, *Year 1 Wombats*
 Mohamad Al Shamari, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Laila Khodary, *Year 1 Wombats*
 Zaynedin Ihsheish, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Marwa Dafaalla, *Year 2 Kangaroos*
 Mohamed Dafaalla, *Year 4 Eagles*
 Sophia Khodary, *Year 3 Alpacas*
 Yusuf Qael, *Year 5 Emus*
 Zaynah Sanai, *Year 5 Emus*
 Shuayb Abrar, *Year 6 Crocodiles*
 Sarah Berjoui, *Year 5 Emus*
 Tahmid Islam, *Year 7*
 Sarah Hamdan, *Year 6 Piranhas*
 Badr Al-Mdwali, *Year 7*
 Zuhal Pirzad, *Year 8*

Second Place Winners

Hamza Ukash Ali, *Kindy Koalas*
 Iman Alsmadi, *Kindy Koalas*
 Shareek Afraz, *Year 1 Caterpillars*
 Ayesha Sheikh, *Year 1 Caterpillars*
 Ryan Ahmed, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Zainab Al-Sweity, *Year 1 Wombats*
 Abdussalam Mohammad Raja, *Year 3 Tigers*
 Aiza Anjum, *Year 2 Kangaroos*
 Arhaam Mohammad, *Year 4 Leopards*
 Fatima Raja, *Year 4 Leopards*
 Ishaq Rahman, *Year 4 Leopards*
 Aiza Tariq, *Year 5 Emus*
 Rehan Khan, *Year 6 Piranhas*
 Hira Khan, *Year 5 Emus*
 Akram Alharazi, *Year 6 Crocodiles*
 Masooma Jaffry, *Year 7*
 Tahir Islam, *Year 7*
 Asma Omar, *Year 7*

Third Place Winners

Abubakr Kamil, *Kindy Kookaburras*
 Areesha Faisal, *Kindy Koalas*
 Abdurrehman Abdau, *Kindy Kookaburras*
 Anureet Kaur, *Year 1 Wombats*
 Aryaan Faisal, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Tahlia Alfawal, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Rakin Hossain, *Year 3 Alpacas*
 Rokaiya Fatima, *Year 2 Budgies*
 Rayan Shehata, *Year 4 Eagles*
 Sazidah Aneesah, *Year 3 Tigers*
 Yassin Berjauoi, *Year 4 Eagles*
 Zaid Hamadan, *Year 4 Leopards*
 Safiyan Afrin, *Year 5 Emus*
 Dawoud Ould Mohameden, *Year 5 Emus*
 Bareeka Baqir, *Year 5 Emus*
 Shoaib Azizi, *Year 6 Crocodiles*
 Amar Chmait, *Year 6 Crocodiles*
 Eisa Esfandian, *Year 7*
 Haneen Al-Asfi, *Year 8*

ISC OPEN DAY FOR 2019

On Saturday 19th of October this year, the school held a very successful Open Day. Below are some of the pictures from the day if you happen to have missed out!



PASS TO OUR CLASS

Each week, we pass the spotlight onto a few ISC classes to find out what has been happening.

Year 1A Caterpillars students are doing great things in the classroom! Everyday we celebrate their ability to make good choices, their focus and interest in learning, their creativity and empathy. They are growing up fast and I can see budding young scientists, architects, athletes and actors - to name a few! Most importantly, they are happy and enthusiastic. Here is what they say...



"I love Maths because we learn about real things and we try doing those things, like measuring the classroom.
I like to help others." Nicky

"Books make me feel great, the stories take me to many different worlds!
I like learning new words too!" Shazana

"My favourite subjects are Arts, Maths, PE and Science, they are fun!" Ibaad

"I think really hard and share my ideas with my friends!" Safwan

"I want to be a scientist, I like our experiments in class because I like to see what happens!
I love writing too and I get my ideas from my imagination!" Ayesha

"I like making things and I'm happy when I'm playing with my friends." Aira

Term 4 in a nutshell

Show and Tell sessions are an opportunity to share experiences and improve our communication skills and confidence. Learning to tell time is a complex endeavour for children. To make this process meaningful and enjoyable, they will be using the beautiful clocks they made. As good and active citizens, they will learn to care for places and make decisions related to health and safety.

Thank you all for a great semester, let's see where our wonderings take us!

Best wishes,
Mrs Hussanee



Snapshots from Term 3 & 4



PASS TO OUR CLASS



This term has been very productive from the beginning. In literacy lessons, **Year 4A Eagles** are learning how to identify the language features and structure of writing informative reports – and they are well on their way to construct and present their first informative reports on a chosen animal later this week!



This week students have worked together in small groups to read about tyrannosaurus rex dinosaur and unjumble the sentences to collaboratively structure the information correctly. This activity requires concentration, communication and justifying why a sentence is best suited in its respective category – our students also had to work together to develop team building skills. They did a great job and we're implementing more group work in class to help them practice these skills simultaneously.

Year 4A students have also been introduced to orienteering this week. Aligning with the Australia curriculum, this week students learnt about map orientation and cardinal points. The purpose of the orienteering program is to develop affection and ability for physical health benefits in outdoor recreation with a lifelong perspective. Using challenge and adventure activities to create meaning and sense of coherence.



Late last term, we've also visited Birrigai outdoor school with Year 4A being the second cohort ever from the Islamic School to visit them and they want to have us back every year. The excursion allows students to step back in time and witness the lives of the First Australians - Aboriginal Australians as they share the experience of making their own campfire by collecting sticks from the Australian outback and using these sticks to create a campfire and then cook 'damper' food from scratch using their own campfire. Taking a step back from traditional classroom teaching, these are skills test the patience, agility, cooperative group work and strength of students out in the bush in true survivor mode and this often changes the perception of children of the world they are

living in! And let me tell you- the experiences these students have had are ones they will cherish for their lifetime forever. - **Ms. Nazia Shirin**

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Asalam wa alaikum wa rahmut Allahi wa baraqatuhu,

As proud Australian Muslims, we all have intentions of raising our future generations to practice the religion of Islam in this beautiful country. However, we are seeing before our very eyes that the cost of living is increasing. Henceforth, purchasing property, holidaying and other luxuries will be made harder moving forward.

Therefore, we pose the question to Australian Muslim families...

Are you saving for your child's future?

MCCA has established a **Student's Saving Program** to help families save and invest ethically. This is part of the **MCCA Income Fund** established in 2009. This fund manages over \$65 Million of investments and is primarily used for Islamic Finance. As a result, the MCCA Income Fund has facilitated finance for over 50 Mosques and Islamic Centres nationwide. In addition, investors enjoy the benefits of:

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Jazakum Allah wa khayran,

Adam Zanaty | Business Development Manager | MCCA Ltd.



Our Community, Our Future
Our Masjid..

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MOSQUE
OPEN DAY



Gungahlin Mosque Open Day

(in support with the National Mosque Open Day)

Saturday 26 October 2019

10am - 3pm

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ACT 2912

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