Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends

AsalaamuAlaikun Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Thank you to all who attended our Harmony and Multicultural Day program on Friday 21 March.

I hope you all enjoyed the days program. I thank all our teachers, students and parent volunteers who helped in making the program a very successful one. Our college has almost 35 different nationalities over the 3 campuses and the most amazing part is the manner in which our students show respect, dignity and acceptance of each other as members of our diverse college community.

The student performances were excellent sending a positive message of peace and harmony. It was a wonderful experience to visit classrooms for food tasting and learning about very interesting dishes from different cultures.

The students were very excited at the assembly to join hands and acknowledge that “Everybody Belongs”

I encourage all students to make our college a pleasant place and to exercise Peace and Harmony not only on Harmony Day but each and every day throughout the year.

Mariam Banwa

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR APRIL & MAY

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Asalaamu Alaikum Parents,

We are almost at the end of Term 1 and the children are now starting to prepare for the end of term assessment tasks. The children have been very busy learning in all subject areas.

The Prep children have been exploring numbers and the alphabet. They are beginning to form the letters in their name. In History they have been exploring families

- Where our families are from
- Using photographs and toys from when the children were babies till now to explore differences and similarities
- What languages we speak at home.

They have been exploring healthy and unhealthy food in Integrated Sciences. The children investigated their lunchboxes to see what food was healthy and what was not healthy.
This month we celebrated the achievements of Fey, Shukuru, Mekdad and Yasmine in Year 1C and Shakila, Maimona, Mohamed and Ashraf in Prep C.

In Year 1 we have been focusing on continents of the world in Geography. In Maths we have been looking at counting in multiples. The children are progressing, Alhamdulillah. In English we have been looking at procedures and the kids have thoroughly enjoyed creating food from recipes.

We have had an exciting month this month. Harmony Day was by far the children’s favourite event. JazakAllah to all the parents who brought in food for the children to share at lunchtime. The food created an opportunity to discuss our different cultures and food.

I look forward to seeing you all at the parent-teacher interviews in the upcoming weeks.
Dear Readers,

Term 1 is almost over and we in the Business and Legal Studies department have been rather busy thus far. On the 17/3/2014 I took my year 11 and 12 Legal Studies students to the Supreme Court to view cases. As always this excursion is well enjoyed by students as they get first-hand knowledge of what actually happens in court cases and how our Legal System operates. On our arrival we were met by a library staff member and we then had to go through a security check. We were taken on a tour of Sir Harry Gibbs Legal Heritage Centre.

After that we visited the library were the students were given a talk on the Australian Legal System. We had a small break for morning tea and enjoyed the sunshine in the city before we proceeded to view court cases. We viewed both civil and criminal cases.

On the 6/3/2014 and 18/3/2014 Lucy Ivers from Start Smart visited our school to discuss Smart spending, saving and investing with the year 10, 11 and 12 Business Studies students. Lucy is a very vibrant presenter and the students thoroughly enjoyed her talks over the two days.

Well that’s all for now another upcoming event that is planned for the year 11 and 12 students in term 2 is the RYDA safe driving excursion. From our past visits students really enjoyed themselves learning about road safety.

Mrs Lazarus – Business and Legal Studies Teacher

Israa Abdalla Year 10:

My visit with The Lord Mayor

As you may have read in the last newsletter I was chosen to represent this school and meet with The Lord Mayor, Graham Quirk and other students from 54 schools across Brisbane to discuss issues facing youth in Brisbane and how we can improve our school, suburb and city. I have also learnt about many opportunities that the youth can take part in such as Chill Out (free or low costing holiday activities for 10-17 year olds), Visible Ink (provides a free range of resources and services for youth e.g. Laptops, digital cameras etc. that supports young people reach their goals), also National Youth Week (a celebration for young people in Australia to show off their skills and talents and to get involved in their local community, starts from April 4). I am requesting the students of AIIC to use these opportunities to reach their potential in life. For more information visit http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au