April Newsletter

Principal’s Message

Asalaamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

I hope that you and your child have had an enjoyable Term 1. It is always very rewarding to see happy smiling faces coming in each day. I am very grateful to the students for their energy and commitment, while also commending the staff of all campuses at AIIC for their professional expertise and enthusiasm. The support of our parents means a lot and will always be a great strength for the school. Please feel free to see me should you have any concerns about any aspect of curriculum, educational programs or services at our college. Your feedback is most valuable to work towards positive improvements for our college.

Please be informed that invoices for term 1 have been sent out by our accounts department. I request all families to kindly settle term 1 fees before the start of term 2. The school office will be open during the term break. Please refer to the time posted in this newsletter. We have received payments from many families and I sincerely thank you for prompt payment made.

Alhamdulillah our Prep and library buildings (Durack Campus) will commence in about 2 weeks’ time.

Term 1 Awards Assembly, Gold Coast – Wednesday, 1 April at 10:00am

Students, remember to use your time effectively during the holidays. Reading is always an excellent way to keep you purposefully occupied.

“Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body”

I would like to take this opportunity to wish teachers, staff, parents and students a safe, restful and enjoyable break.

Mariam Banwa

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

21ST APRIL 2015

Reminders:

2nd April
3:05pm

20th April
8:30am

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Asalamualaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barkatahu.

It is hard to believe that it is nearly the end of term one. All the children have settled well into their routines. It is always a pleasure to be greeted each day by eager and enthusiastic children. Prep is the beginning of a wonderful learning journey. I would like to thank you for your efforts in ensuring a great start to the school term.

Please continue to help your child with the learning of the alphabet and reading the sight words. Once children are proficient in identifying the sounds and learning the letters, they will be moving on to activities that develop phonological awareness when they will learn which letters and letter combinations are associated with the sounds they hear in words. My aim is to develop a strong, solid base for your child’s literacy learning. Consequently we will not be moving on to ‘readers’ until we believe your child is ready for them.

The Student of the month is Fatima Torlak who is always polite, courteous and does the right things without being told.

If you would like to discuss your child’s needs and development I am available after school. Please make an appointment to come and talk to me. Our teacher aide Mrs Tawheed will be furthering her studies for most of Term 2, she will be missed but we hope to see her back soon.

Have a fantastic first term break and Insha Allah we will see you at the beginning of Term 2.

Mrs A. Khan
News from Years 2/3

Assalamu alaikum Wr Wb

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

How time has flown by this term. Once again we have raced to the end of term and this week our class is completing end of term tests for Spelling, Maths, Science, Health and Geography. We have also finalised our reading and writing tests already.

Many thanks to all those parents who took time out from work to attend Parent-Teacher Interviews with me. I hope that it was beneficial for everyone and you have gained useful information to help our students achieve their own personal and academic goals for Term Two. If you missed out or couldn’t attend for some reason, feel free to email me and we can arrange an alternative time – perhaps at the beginning of Term 2.

Because we have such a large class I am pleased to inform you all that the school has advertised for a Teacher Aide for our class. This will enable more 1:1 time for each student and give us the opportunity to extend the learning of each student in our class. It will also streamline our homework process and ensure that those who are not yet able to organise these tasks independently will most certainly have their homework in their bags each week!

This has been a productive term and I encourage ALL students to continue to read and utilise our online learning programmes Reading Eggs and Mathletics throughout the holiday period so that we do not lose the momentum we have gained in term one. If you do not have these details, please email me before the break to ensure you have access during the holidays.

Have a safe and happy holiday and I will see you all in Term 2!

Michael Hall
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Harmony Day 2015

In our Art classes we learnt about Aboriginal art.

Aboriginal Art has survived for over thousands of years and continues to be one of the oldest art forms practiced today.

Aboriginal Art consists of symbols which were used as a means of communication because Aboriginal people have no written language of their own. We learnt that Aboriginal paintings told stories of their lives on earth, their rituals, food, customs and the Dreamtime.

Through the use of the aboriginal art form of ‘Dot painting” we created our own paintings for Harmony Day using the theme *Everyone Belongs*. Through the use of words, symbols and colour we have tried to celebrate Australia’s amazing diversity.

We trust that our work shows cultural respect to Indigenous Australians and everyone who calls Australia home.

Mrs Y. Misic, Years 7/8 Teacher

Mahmoud ElKhayal, Year 8

Ibrahim Mohamed, Year 10
Our College observed Harmony Day on 20th March. Students came dressed in their national costumes and also brought a plate to share with their fellow classmates. It was a joyous occasion for everyone.

Mini United Nation consisting of 27 nationals

Some activities after food

Term 1 Award Day

Congratulations to our award recipients.
**From the Administrations Desk**

**Holiday School Office Hours:** 9:00am—3:00pm, Monday to Friday

**School fees**—please bring the outstanding fees up to date.

**School Photo Day** is on Tuesday, 21st April after morning assembly. Please ensure that your child is in correct school uniforms:
- Girls—formal dress and pants
- Boys—formal shirt and pants
Clean black shoes with socks. Please be punctual on that day and also to send the photo order money with your child to school. Order of photos and payment will be made on that day.

**Parent volunteer / volunteer**— please report to the School Office before entering into the classrooms / tuckshop

**Medical information**— Please inform the School Office and submit a copy of the updated action, if applicable. In order for any medicine to be dispensed by the school staff, parents will need to fill out a **Medical Dispensation Form** available in the school office.

Medicine will need to be clearly labelled and given to Sr. Fatima.

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**PRINCIPAL’S AWARD RECIPIENTS—TERM 1**

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<td>Prep</td>
<td>Always completing set tasks and displaying school values</td>
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<td>Excellent academic achievement and exceptional behaviour with great leadership</td>
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