AsalaamuAlaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another successful year draws to a close. It is amazing how much has been achieved by our students, teachers and parents. We have achieved so much as a team and this is the greatest strength of our college.

It was wonderful to celebrate our learning progress and to acknowledge our students’ significant academic and social development across the past twelve months. Thank you parents for celebrating our student successes on the Annual Awards Day.

Teachers are currently finalising student report cards which provide parents with feedback on their child’s progress this semester. It is important for you to discuss and celebrate your child’s progress and also to establish expectations for learning in the coming year.

In the last week we had our prep orientation and information day. We will be delighted to welcome our new students to commence their learning journey with us in 2016. We also look forward to our new prep buildings (at our Durack Campus) which will have a positive impact with a more appropriate learning environment designed specifically for our prep students.

We also look forward to the opening of our new library in Durack, designed to be spaces where you can learn, research, explore and create.

This year has been full of challenges, successes and many memorable moments and achievements across all campuses.

I congratulate and thank all teachers and staff from all campuses for their outstanding contributions and continuous commitment. Thank you to our parents and families who have engaged in their child’s education and most importantly for entrusting your children in our care.

Our aim is to benefit all students at the Australian International Islamic College, now and in the future. As we grow in numbers, In shaa Allah we are constantly striving to provide the best opportunities and the best facilities and resources. If you have any ideas or can help in any way, please do let us know.

I wish you all an enjoyable and safe holiday and look forward to working with you in 2016, Insha Allah.

Mariam Banwa
I can hardly believe that it is almost the end of the year. How quickly time has flown. It has been a busy term for prep class, with excursions, sports and various other activities that have been happening.

Last week the prep students went to Sea World on their Environmental studies excursion. They had a wonderful time listening to the Sea World Educator about the local and global marine issues and about the value of marine life and the environment. Thank you to all the parents who came to help on the day.

It is wonderful to see how children in my prep class have grown physically, emotionally and educationally. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your hard work and effort in helping your child succeed.

Education and learning are the most important ingredients to becoming all that you can be. Education does not just happen at school. Your child’s education and learning are happening all the time. It is not just about learning facts but more so about learning how to think. It is learning to make good choices and to act with purpose. Becoming educated is a lifelong process. It can be hard and frustrating at times, but it can also be incredibly exciting and enriching. So please continue supporting your child in their learning during the school holidays as this will continue to prepare them for when they get back to school next year.

Have a fantastic and safe school holiday with your children and In sha Allah I hope to see you all back in 2016.

Jazzak Allah Khairan,

Mrs. Khan
Assalamu alaikum Wr Wb,

Dear parents / carers

This term the Year Two class has gone on a gurney with different explorers across the globe and out of space. We have discovered Australia with James Caption Cook, travel around the world with Christopher Columbus and went out of space with Neil Armstrong. During our exciting adventure we also learnt a lot about the different planets in our solar system. On our incursion venture we exploited all the planets in our solar system from the sun to the dwarf planet Pluto. As we learnt about different measures and litres in our Math lessons we kept in the theme and made some alien cupcakes enhancing our knowledge of these measures.

In Art we all made individual rockets out of bottles and roles. Also for Technology we created our own solar systems out of shoe boxes.

The Year Two did not stop there with their adventure, we also ventured out of our comfort zones and produced an amazing performance on drama day where we tuck the audience to many different countries. We went from New Zealand to Lebanon then to Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. Then we tuck the audience to Turkey, Bosnia, Malaysia, Egypt and final we arrived back to Australia where we all belong.

Have a safe summer!

Miss Aldijana Sisic

REMINdERS

Please return the Re-enrolment form and pay for the book levy 2016 as soon as possible.
Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends

As we farewell another year of learning, and we put away the pens and books, we should think about the amazing and exciting experiences that we have been part of in 2015. So here are my thoughts on the year that was 2015.

In the Secondary part of the College a wonderful group of Year 7 students began the next big step in their educational journey. Feeling very grown up in their new school uniforms they arrived with sharpened pencils ready to work. The other Senior students were there, ready to help with anything Zuhur, Rana, Ruba, Maab, Naser, Ibyy and Ramadan weren’t sure of. Lamiyah, Ayesha, Mahmoud, Muaz and later Ishfaaq were always ready to answer any questions that came up. A great buzz was always filtering out of the 7/8 classrooms in English, History, Geography, Maths, Science, Art, HPE, Arabic, Islamic Studies and Quran. Lots of good work was being done, the students were learning many new things and a great sense of collegiality was developing.

In year 9, Safiya, Ali and a new boy Rayan were enjoying the challenges of building on what they had already learnt in all their subjects and the opportunity to work independently on topics that they had an interest in. Rayan investigated which was better, Synthetic oil or natural oil (for that sports car he plans to own). And Safiya tested if students performed better on a written test if they chewed gum compared to if they didn’t chew gum? (her findings showed that ‘chewing gum helps students concentrate’).

Year 10 was not to be left out they were also carrying out their own research and scientific investigations. Ibrahim conducted and designed an experiment on the mathematical relationship between shooting goals in soccer and the angle of the shoot. Whilst, Yasmin was keeping busy building a model of car engine complete with spark plugs and pistons. During this time some of our other students such as Amanii, Dylan and Abdullah were not with us as they were busy with other interesting and exciting adventures.

Throughout 2015 there was a strong focus on being active and staying healthy and the senior students were very lucky to have received some professional training from special visitors such as the Gold Coast Badminton Association, Netball Queensland, Gold Coast Basketball, a bit of AFL, as well as CPR training. They all participated in these activities with great enthusiasm and showed great appreciation and respect to all the coaches involved. As a result of being such great ambassadors of the college each of these organisations donated valuable equipment to the Secondary College. For this we must thank our wonderful students, your wonderful children.

This year we had our first group of Year 10 students enrolled at the college. With the knowledge that they would be leaving the college to continue their life long educational journey elsewhere, we spent some time discussing, further education (University, TAFE), careers, work experience and so on. The students visited Ashmore Tafe Open Day, Robina Hospital Hands on Workshop, and finally participated in a week of work experience.

This year, there was lots of homework, discussions, assignments and tests. There was lots of improvement, lots of creativity and lots of goals. A few good byes to our international students and a few tears. A few detentions, a few assignments not completed, a few late arrivals and then a few more. There was a lot of serious times and a lot of times we all laughed. There was a lot of learning done by the students and each student needs to be congratulated for their efforts and contribution to this unique school.

Although, we are teachers and educators, there are many things that we can also learn. And so, both Ms Collins and myself, must acknowledge that your amazing children have taught us a few things this year as well.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer break with your children. We hope to see you all in 2016 and continue guiding your children successfully through their secondary education!

Mrs Yasmin Misic,
Maths, Science, Art.
From the Administration Desk

- **Fees & charges**: Thank you to parents who paid the fees. Please keep Term 4 school and bus fees up to date. Payment can be arranged by cash, cheque, Eftpos and credit cards (Master/Visa).

- **School hours during school holidays**: Office hours between 9:00am and 3:00pm. The School Office will close from Friday, 18th December and open on Monday, 11th January 2016.

- Address and contact details—if there are any changes, please inform the School Office or email gc.admin@aiic.qld.edu.au.

- Re-enrolment forms—Enrolment form has been sent home. Thank you to parents who have returned the form. Please return the enrolment form as soon as possible if you have not done so. We are happy to inform that new families have enrolled their children for 2016.

- Book levy 2016—Just a reminder to make payment for book levy as soon as possible so that your children will be able to have their book pack at the start of the new school year.

- Library books—please return the books if they have not been returned to the school library. If your child wishes to keep the book, please see Admin.

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Congratulations to our Award recipients!

**TERM 4 AWARDS**

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