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## Principal's Message

AsalaamuAlaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

Alhamdulillah we had a very smooth start to the year. These first few weeks are really important to set the foundation for the challenges that lies ahead, especially the new expectations set before our students in the first week of school

We were very successful in conveying a strong message to our students, highlighting:

- Our mission statement
- Core Values
- Student responsibilities
- Expectation of excellence
- Behaviour management Policy
- Student handbook

We are already in week 6 and I encourage all students to remain focussed and engage in their studies to get the best possible outcomes for this term. Teachers will inform you of the end of term assessment days.

One of the most important components of a good school is the partnership between home and school.

I look forward to meeting you and invite you to contact the school whenever you wish. There are many opportunities for you to be involved in the life of the school and I urge you to make the most of them. These include: attending all school functions, coming to parent-teacher evenings; helping with working bees; being a classroom volunteer, helping with class reading programs, excursions etc. Like you, we want your child to achieve his/her best – if we can work together.

I wish all students and families a fulfilling and successful 2015 and I look forward to meeting with you all during the course of the year.

Mariam Banwa

*Oh ! My Lord  
Advance me in  
knowledge*

### **Dates to remember**

**Mar 18**—*Quran Recitation Competition*

**Mar 20**—*Harmony Day*

**Mar 23—27**  
*Parent / Teacher Interviews*

**Mar 26**—*Visit by Nerang Fire Station (Year 1)*

***We are a nut free school. Please ensure that your children do not have any nut products in their lunch box.***



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## Assalamu alaikum from Year One

We are excited about our new class and some new friends who has joined us at the beginning of this term. Most excited to be with our old friends from Prep class last year. This term we are learning so much about who we are, where we come from and special traditions that we have. We are also learning about healthy eating and how important it is to look after ourselves. As part of our learning, we are excited to tell you that Prep and Year 1 classes will be visiting the Brisbane Museum on the Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March. This is exciting for us as we will be extending our learning about our "Five Senses" and other educational programs suitable for our learning needs.



Brisbane  
Queensland  
Museum



Well, guess who else will be visiting us this month? They are coming to teach us about being safe. These are people in our community who will always look out for us. We can't wait to have this experience. YES, that's right. The Nerang Fire Department will be here to tell us all about it. So watch this space, more from Year 1 soon.



## News from Years 4 ~ 6

Assalamu alaikum Wr Wb

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Here we are, February the 30<sup>th</sup> of 2015, half way through Term 1.

Over the last two weeks of Term 1, students and I are living in a healthy, safe and joyful environment where we can achieve quality learning. It was my main priorities to make children feel at home in the classroom, living together respectfully like a family. I'm glad to inform that this was achieved.

One of my main goals is establishing effective communication between myself and parents. It has a significant impact on our children educational-behavioural journey. This has and will be achieved with the great cooperation of our parents. So I'd like to express my appreciation to all for making it happen.

**Student of the month** was awarded to Zenah Bacic for being a responsible and committed student with positive attitude.



We are planning inshallah to continue our educational journey with more consistent and quality lessons for next term. This will definitely require your generous support as before.

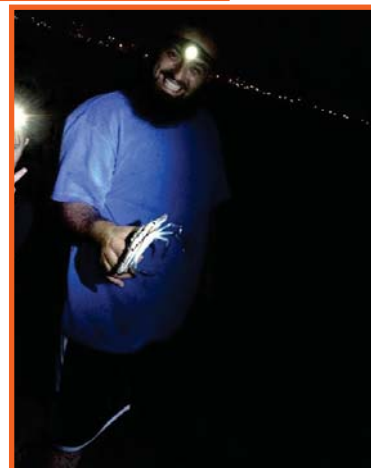
Mr. Amirali Mirhashemi  
Years 4-6 Classroom Teacher

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### More pictures of the fishing trip



*“Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime “*



# High School Students Review

Assalamu alaikum Wr Wb

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

We are currently half way through the first term, and it is great to see the effort and determination the High school students are putting into their work, and how much pride they are showing in their uniforms. It has been a pleasure to come back to the school to teach this year, and to see the vast improvement in their focus on learning. We do need to make sure we are doing our homework each week, as it is important to reinforce our learning in class, and to be prepared for our lessons that follow on.

In English year 7 and 8 are concentrating on writing narratives and the structure required, including Title, Introduction, Body and Conclusion, and the features contained in each section. They have also been looking at sentence structure as well, to improve our descriptive writing.

Year 9 and 10 are developing their persuasive text, and have been putting their skills to practical use. We have seen the results of writing such letters, such as the senior students now have their own eating area at school, as a result of the letters they wrote to the school, to request such an area. The students have asked for other benefits which are also currently under review. It is great to see the student taking responsibility of their own school, and their leadership skills being developed.



The student have also seen the results of persuasive text through letters we have sent out to different sporting organisations requesting assistance to improve our sporting equipment for our Health and Physical Education programs. Many organisations have been generous enough to donate sports equipment to the school, offers of free sports training, as well as other equipment and lessons at discounted prices. We are currently reviewing the offers to benefit all of our students in the school.



*Some stretches before the start of the day*

The start to the year has be absolutely encouraging, I am looking forward to seeing all the students flourish in their learning and self-confidence. Well done High school students keep up the great work.

Mr Simon Birt  
Years 9/10 Teacher



# MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF CAMPUS

Dear Parents,

## FISHING FOR SUCCESS

Our students are reeling in school accolades for their efforts in the classroom, but had some initial challenges in hooking up fish as the high schoolers overcame weather conditions to eventually catch various species of fish. On the 16th of February 2015, As part of the high school positive behaviour program, the high school boys were rewarded with a fishing trip for their consistent positive behaviour and positive intent to learn. The trip started off with Brother Ahmet teaching students how to catch sea worms off the shore. The students really enjoyed this experience as the worms proved to be quite evasive and the skill takes time to perfect, by the end of that experience some students were able to hold on whilst others provided some much needed moral support.



"Now boys, this is how to catch a worm" - Br Ahmet

After Praying Salat ul Maghrib together, the group headed over to a location on the main beach, where the fishing adventure began. It was a real test of patience and courage as some students felt some nibbles but weren't able to hook. All students participated as a team in helping each other and were fully involved in the action.

Brother Ahmet and Brother Umar provided some useful advice and after the first phase initiated new tactical strategies for the group which delivered a surge in different varieties of fish, even a local Dolphin wanted in on the action. Mahmood and Ibrahim were very eager and whilst reading Quran caught a nice whiting, Zain caught a whiting, a puffer fish and other species, Mr Birt caught a lovely brim, Ustadh Ruhul Amin caught a beautiful blue crab.



And last but not least, Ali Padilla availed triumphant on the night after snagging the line 5 times, on the 6th time he caught the night's biggest fish. Alhamdulillah the Students and support team all enjoyed the night. We would like to thank the parent's, staff and our local businesses for supporting this positive initiative.

Peace & blessings  
Mohammed Azhari

## From the Administration Desk

- **Fees & charges:** Thank you to parents who paid the fees. Please keep school fees and charges up to date. If you wish to make payment plans, please contact the School Office.
- **School bus :** please remind you child to be on time for pick up. If your child is late for pick up this will lead to a delay for the school bus arriving at school on time. Punctuality is important as it avoids disruption to the class when a student arrives late.

If your child is not attending school for that day, please contact the bus drivers.

- \* **Tuckshop :** Please write your child's name, class, the order and exact amount of money enclosed should be written on a brown paper bag to be given to the classroom Teacher in the morning. This will ensure that your child get her/his lunch for that day.

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## Congratulations to the Award winners !

### STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Name of student	Year level	Award
Aydin Ertan	Prep	Always hardworking and taking initiative in his learning
Aliyyah Bukhari	1	Being a role model in excellent behaviour and learning
Aliya Amir	2/3	Being a role model for focus of the month
Zinada Bacic	4~6	Being a responsible and committed student with positive attitude
Lamiyah Selek	7/8	Exemplary behaviour
Ali Padilla	9/10	Great effort in completing his class work
Armanii Miller	ESL	Showing enthusiasm for her learning
Rana Alghamdi Ruba Alghamdi	Arabic/ ISL Studies	Excellence in Quran recitation

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