



IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, THE MOST GRACIOUS, THE MOST MERCIFUL

Australian International Islamic College

Newsletter

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From the Principal's Desk

Assalamu álaikum Wabaratullahi Wabarakatuhu,

As Term 1 draws to a close, I would like to thank all teachers, parents and students for a great start to the 2018 academic year.

Thank you to all parents and students for their great efforts and support of our college's uniform policy. Almost all students are presenting themselves in full school uniform each day.

Last Friday the college held a special assembly to mark the day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. We take bullying very seriously and as always; my door is open to support families and students experiencing bullying or any other personal challenges. For further information around the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, please go to the web site below:

<https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/NationalDay>

On Wednesday we celebrated Harmony Day at all campuses. It was a wonderful way to celebrate our cultural diversity, spreading the message that everybody belongs.

NAPLAN Test Preparation

Preparation for the year 3, 5, 7 and 9 Literacy and Numeracy tests are well underway. The college has made a decision not to teach to the tests, however, our teachers will familiarise their students with the NAPLAN format and types of questions. This will help ensure that the results achieved will be more accurate, meaningful and useful. It is important to remember that students are not expected to do exceptionally well but are only competing against the results they achieved when they did the test two years ago. This will help determine their level of learning growth over this time. The NAPLAN tests will be conducted on 15th, 16th and 17th May. I will be sending out more information about the tests in the first week of term 2

Commonwealth Games

Due to the Commonwealth Games from the 4th to the 15th April there will be a range of temporary road closures, security measures and other impacts as a result of increased traffic demands, road-based events and associated detours and closures.

It is important for you to be aware of these impacts, so you can plan and get to where you need to go, and on time! We therefore decided to reschedule the following events for term 2.

Term 1 Award Presentations

The awards presentation will be held on 19th April at the morning assembly.

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School Photos

School photo day has been rescheduled for the 24th April. All students **MUST** be in formal uniform. No sports uniforms please. Ensure that you have correct formal shoes as well. Sneakers/sports shoes are not acceptable.

Sports Day

Sports has been rescheduled for the last week of term 2, 26th and 27th June.

All students will be transported to the Durack Campus to participate. Letters will be sent out closer to the time.

The college will reopen on **Tuesday 17th April 2018**.

I would like to wish you all a safe and relaxing break. I look forward to Term 2, Insha'Allah, to ensure our students have the very best learning opportunities.

Mariam Banwa

REMINDERS

School fees – thank you to parents for paying Term 1 fees. Please take note that fees are due at the start of each term. Payment of fees can be arranged to cater for partial payments. If you wish to make payment plans, please contact the School Office.

School Office hours during term break – with the Commonwealth Games taking place during this period the school office hours are **between 7:00am to 1:00pm**.

Dates to remember:

March 29 th	Thursday	Last day of Term 1
April 3 rd	Tuesday	School Office Re-Open
April 16 th	Monday	Student Free Day
April 17 th	Tuesday	Term 2 begins
April 19 th	Thursday	Term 1 Awards Ceremony (after morning assembly)
April 24 th	Tuesday	School Photo Day
April 25 th	Wednesday	ANZAC Day



Thursday, 29th
March, 3:05pm



Tuesday, 17th April, 8:30am

NEWS FROM YEAR 3

Assalamu alaikum

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

The year 3's have been extremely busy this term and some exciting learning has taken place. This term we have focused on a variety of topics. In science the students learnt about heat. As part of the assessment students were required to work as a team to build a solar powered oven. The students worked hard and diligently on their task and enjoyed discovering new things about heat, how it's produced and where energy comes from. In HASS students have been learning all about different celebrations and commemorations. They created their own information report along with a poster to accompany their research. In English and Math's we have been working on a variety of strategies to enhance the students learning and skills. They enjoy playing math games and creating budgets while working with currency. We play a variety of spelling and English games that engage students learning and skills. The students in year 3 have also been exploring performing arts.

On Harmony Day the students wrote and performed an acrostic poem about what harmony day means to them. We thoroughly enjoyed sharing and learning about different cultures, trying new foods, listening to traditional music and showing off traditional clothing in our school parade. We had a touching speech about Anti-bullying from one of our classes student council representatives at this year's Anti-Bully Day. Overall, we have had a very eventful Term 1 from swimming to performing & cleaning up ours school and learning about the importance of taking care of our environment on Clean Up Australia Day. The students and I are both exciting about the holidays but are already looking forward to the new learning that will take place in Term 2.

Miss L. King, Year 3 Teacher



Prep Classroom Message

Asalamualaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barkatahu.

We are approaching the end of term one and what a busy term we've had. All the students have worked hard this term, which has shown in their assessments, and the wonderful work they have been doing in the classroom. I would like to say a big thank you to the dedicated parent helper I've had in my classroom. The extra pair of hands has certainly made my classroom run efficiently and your help has been greatly appreciated.

The students have really enjoyed the swimming classes and have steadily progressed from reluctantly getting in the water to swimming freely without any swimming aides. Ma sha Allah the students have become very



confident swimmers in just a few sessions.

It is a pleasure to see that all the students are wearing the proper school uniform including hats and shoes. Please ensure that all items of their clothing are named including the hats and hijabs as these items can get easily mixed up with others during wudu times.

Our sports day is on Mondays and Fridays. The students look forward to interacting with other children and learning to participate in a variety of sports activities and games.

It is pleasing to see that the students in the prep class have been working hard on their homework. Research has shown that children's learning and development outcomes are improved when learning is supported in the home. E.g. parent-child literacy activities are positively associated with reading interest and print knowledge. When children perceive support from parents, peers and educators this has a positive effect on their motivation to achieve which in turn leads to better learning and development outcomes. Jazzak Allah Khairan to all the parents who have been monitoring their child's homework. It clearly shows the academic progress these students are making. Keep up the wonderful work that you are doing to help your child with their homework Insha Allah.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday. May Allah guide and protect you and Insha Allah I hope to see you all back in term two.

Mrs. Azara Khan
Prep Classroom Teacher





HPE Week at GC

This month saw high school male students participate in the inaugural AIC Gold Coast campus annual table tennis tournament. The tournament was held in celebration of Health and Physical Education (HPE) Week. HPE Week is a week that celebrates the role of Health & Physical Education in schools and communities. The aim is to promote the importance of HPE in the Australian Curriculum and highlight the importance of HPE to the learning and development of children and young people. The tournament was enjoyed by teachers and students alike as the two finalists versed two teachers in a friendly doubles game. Congratulations to Mubarak A. Mohamed for finishing in first place (10 points for Rumi Sharks), Zaid Ahmad for claiming second place (5 points for Tusi Crocodiles), Hamza Sarac for earning third place (3 points for Razi Kangaroos), and all those who participated and promoted HPE Week (1 point for respective house for participating)! Primary table tennis tournament coming soon.

Elsewhere (Nerang Aquatic Centre), students participated in a week of swimming lessons which concluded on the Friday with a competitive swimming carnival. The carnival saw students perform across numerous swimming events in an attempt to win their house points and fame.

Furthermore, the annual AIC Gold Coast house cup is underway with many students demonstrating fierce yet healthy competition. Points can be earned via participation in various sporting events such as the Athletics and Swimming Carnival, Cross Country, as well as local, on campus competitions which will be popping up.

Points accurate as of the publishing of this newsletter:

- Cheng Ho Eagles : 127 points
- Rumi Sharks : 149 points
- Razi Kangaroos : 214 points
- Tusi Crocodiles : 182 points

Armin Celahmetovic
Health and Physical Education Teacher

ARABIC/ ISLAMIC STUDIES

Assalamu alaikum Wr Wb,

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

I always had a passion to teach especially when it came to Arabic and Islamic Studies. I have once again come back to the teaching profession. A profession which I love and which gives me great satisfaction.

It is a privilege and honour to have joined the Australian International Islamic College in Carrara at the Gold Coast campus.

The day I joined the College, I felt at home due to the wonderful people I am working with. Everyone has been very welcoming and supportive. I wish to express my gratitude and thanks to you all for the kindness and sincerity each and everyone of you has shown me.

Administration, teachers, staff, the support services and people who work alongside provide a crucial and critical foundation in the life of our students. They provide the building blocks that mould and nourish raw talent and potential.

My intention as a teacher at AIIC is not only to impart knowledge and wisdom but also inspire and encourage students to achieve the best they can be. As such I pray to Almighty Allah that I be a true source of motivation and guide that helps students to follow the right path. A teacher that nurtures one's strength and talent whilst also helping students to overcome their fears and weaknesses.

Our campus is truly multicultural and a reflection of the increasing diversity we see in Australia and globally as the world becomes an increasingly mobile place in which people of different cultures and beliefs can interact with one another. This is reflected in the diversity of our students and campus staff who come from many different countries. It is indeed an honour to have this opportunity.

It's also wonderful to teach these days as technology assists in making the learning experience more interactive and enables students to learn and absorb concepts more quickly.

Bringing everything together I believe that our College is getting stronger day by day through the grace of Allah Ta'ala. It is great to be working in a place where I am always looking forward to teach our wonderful students. It brings me great joy to see our boys and girls becoming stronger academically, emotionally, physically and spiritually. All of these components together make for rounded and balanced young people with the capacity to pursue their dreams and make a positive contribution within their families, their friends and the broader community.

Wasalaam,

Imam Imraan Husain

HIGH SCHOOL REVIEW

Well Done High School !

Another successful term! Most students have worked exceptionally hard to cover all the content that was necessary. Sometimes it is a difficult transition from primary to secondary school, but most students have realised that the work becomes more intense in high school, with a lot more deadlines that must be met. We would encourage your students to use their diaries to assist them in managing their work load. In high school it is not one teacher expecting homework and assignments to be handed in by the due date, but several teachers, and some students have difficulty juggling their workload and study time.

On top of the classroom subjects covered this term, we have had **'Anti-Bullying day'**, **'Harmony day'** and also a week of swimming. Next term we have 'NAPLAN' assessment. We have already been helping our students plan for this assessment.

There will be high school interviews next term, but please feel free to contact us if there are any concerns.



Harmony Day 2018

With regards,

Mr Son Le Mathematics [8-10], Science [7-10] IT [7-10]

Mr A Celahmetovic Mathematics [7] H.P.E. [7-10]

Mrs M Celahmetovic Business Studies [9 -10]

Mrs Sandra Morgan English [7-10], Geography & History [7-10], Civics [7-8], Visual Arts [7-10].