In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. All praise is due to Allah Lord of all the worlds, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful, Master of the day of judgment. You alone we worship and to You alone do we appeal for help. Show us the straight path, the path of those whom you have favoured. Not (the path) of those who incur wrath nor of those who go astray. (Ameen)

Upcoming events

Feb 17th, Monday  Awards Assembly

Feb 20th, Thursday  Information Day from 3:15pm – 6:15pm

A wonderful opportunity to meet with your child’s teacher

Feb 24th, Monday  Awards Assembly – Student of the Month

REMINDERS FROM ADMIN gc.admin@aiic.qld.edu.au

Fees

School fees and other charges re now due. Please bring outstanding fees up to date.

Late students
School starts at 8.30am. Students who arrive late for school need to report to the School Office to collect a late note to present to their classroom teacher. Punctuality is important as it avoids disruption when a student arrives late.
FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

The past two weeks have been extremely busy for students, staff and parents alike at all campuses. Our Parent Information Afternoon will be held on Thursday, 20 February. It will be a wonderful opportunity to meet with your child’s teacher and discuss the year’s program. You will also gain information about the homework policy and the teachers expectations of students.

I trust that your children are now well-settled in their classes and moving forward in their studies.
I am confident that 2014 will be a very special year in the life of the college and particularly in the lives of our students. As we adjust to our new facilities, the students and teachers are well equipped and motivated to give off their very best.

I have visited the college over the past weeks and met with parents and students and Alhamdulillah I have experienced a very positive feeling and this can only be good for their goals and academic outcomes.

Our Car Park is a very busy place - please display courtesy, caution and care when you visit us on your daily rounds. Look out for children boarding the bus.

I once again thank all parents for their support and look forward to a rewarding year InshaAllah.

Wasalaam,
Mrs M. Banwa - Principal

Information Day
When: Thursday, 20th Feb 2014
Time: 3:15pm – 6:00pm
Where: Gold Coast campus
A wonderful opportunity to:
Meet with your child’s teacher
Collect an Information Booklet
Learn about the curriculum content for 2014
Familiarize with the homework policy
Join us for afternoon tea

See you there,
Asalamualakum wa rahmatullahi Wabarakatu,

My name is Alana Lister and I have the great pleasure of teaching the composite class of year 1 and 2 this year at AIIC. I am a qualified and registered Teacher with Education Queensland.

I completed my Bachelors Degree of Education at Griffith University here on the Gold coast. Through my Degree, I have acquired the knowledge and ability to provide all students with the motivation and support to engage with and gain success in all areas of the Australian Curriculum.

One of the most important aspects of teaching is creating equal opportunities for all learners. I place emphasis on the importance of understanding that each and every child is an individual, with different attitudes, values, beliefs, learning preferences, backgrounds and cultures. This is something I am very passionate about. Individualized learning is an imperative pedagogical practice for classroom teaching Students need to be provided with their own personalized pathways and tools to comprehend and engage with curriculum content.

This term we have been learning about the Olympics and have created some amazing artwork.

We have also started a buddy reading program with the year four, five and six students.

I will also be running our extracurricular fitness club on Wednesday afternoons from 3:15 to 4pm. Extracurricular fitness activities help children develop active, positive lifestyles. Integrating knowledge with activity will help educate children about how exercise is important to their well-being and increase the chance that physical activity will become a permanent part of their daily lives. Once children begin to regularly incorporate fitness into their daily regime, they are more likely to modify other health factors to complement their healthy lifestyles.

We will be learning about healthy lifestyles as well as doing basic fitness activities such as

- Burpees
- Star jumps
- Sit-ups
- Push-ups
- Squats

Home readers will be sent home every night with their reading log to be signed by parents. Please feel free to write me a note in your students’ diary or organise to make an appointment to talk to me. I look forward to meeting all of you and working closely to ensure we have a wonderful and productive 2014.

Wasalaaam,

Alana Lister
Years 1/2 Teacher
Asalamualakum wa rahmatullahi Wabarakatu,

My name is Amirali Mirhashemi. I have the great pleasure of being the Year 4-6 teacher.

During this term students have been learning in a healthy, safe and joyful environment. It is my main priority to be able to provide a familial classroom environment to make children feel at ease in the classroom during the transitioning phase of the New Year, which is never easy.

One of my main goals for this year would be to establish effective communication between myself and parents. Parent-teacher communications have a significant impact on both educational effectiveness and children’s behaviour. This can only be achieved with cooperation from parents.

This term, we focused on producing quality work and ensuring that every detail is learnt across all subject areas. We aim to achieve this through daily revisions, weekly quizzes, extension worksheets, text books, extra hands-on activities and one on one learning time.

Inshallah we are planning to continue our educational journey with more consistent and quality focused lessons. This will definitely require your generous support in the future.

Wasalaam,

Ali Mirhashemi
Years 4-6 Teacher

SPORTS DAY

This term, our weekly sports day will fall during the last two teaching periods on Friday afternoons. Last Friday was the first sports day for term. The whole school participated in a non-competitive sports session. The sporting activities students will be partaking in will include hurdles, shot put, bean bag throwing and relay races.

In addition to our weekly sports day, the College has purchased new sporting equipment which includes: indoor soccer, hopscotch, tee-ball and table tennis equipment.

Whole school sports day 07/02/2014
Asalamualakum wa rahmatullahi Wabarakatu,

I am Diana Neville. I am fortunate enough to be teaching your wonderful children, Science, Math and Health and Physical Education this year.

We have spent some time getting to know each other and what is required to be successful in class this year. The students have adapted well to having a new teacher and seem enthusiastic about their learning, which is excellent to see.

In year 9 and 10 Science we are studying the structure of the atom, and the periodic table of elements (Please feel free to ask them about this). The activity they enjoyed the most was building atoms with lollies (the best part of course getting to eat them all afterwards).

The year 7 and 8 junior scientists are studying biomes and in particular our magnificent Great Barrier Reef. We have been looking at the plants and animals that live on the reef and who eats who for dinner. We have been doing a lot of hands on activities and some research so far and our budding scientists appear to be really enjoying themselves.

The senior mathematicians are working with the order of operations and are all achieving success in this area which is a promising start to the term and the year to come.

The junior mathematicians are studying statistics and are making steady progress, soon they will be using their new math skills to collect and interpret data in science. *I look forward to seeing their results.*

Health and Physical Education (HPE) got underway rapidly this term with the introduction of the school fitness program running on Friday afternoons. The secondary students are organizing games for the rest of the school to play and then teaching us all how to play them. Last Friday was our first turn and the whole school got involved. Well done to all the secondary students for your brave efforts and management of your games, I am very proud of you all.

I look forward to working with you and your children throughout the year.

Wassalam,

Mrs. Diana Neville
Asalamualakum wa rahmatullahi Wabaraku,

I am Imam Yousuf and I have the great honour of being the Quran, Arabic and Islamic studies teacher. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a bit about what we are doing in different classes for the Islamic studies subjects.

Alhamdulillah in Year 9 & Year 10 we are have focused on the signs of Allah in nature. Students analysed selected verses of the Quran in order to understand how Allah (SWT) wants us to look at the signs surrounding them in order to grasp Allah’s wisdom.

In Year 7 & 8, the students were introduced to the topics: ‘why Islam?’ and ‘what is Islam?’ this emphasised a strong understanding that Islam is the only religion of Allah (SWT) and it is the religion of the past present and future. Furthermore all the messengers of Allah brought the message of Islam from Noah (ASW) till the last messenger of Allah (SWT) Muhammad (SAW).

In Year 4, 5 & 6 student focused on the topic ‘why should worship Allah?’ (SWT). They learnt that in order to understand that everything needs rules, who makes them and the meaning of worship and the benefit of worshipping Allah (SWT).

Our years 3’s were engaged in learning some names and attributes of Allah (SWT) Like Ar-Rahman, Ar-Raheem, Al-Maliq, and Al-Baseer. Year 2 students were introduced to the blessings of Allah (SWT), for them to understand that Allah is the Almighty and Provider of everything, such as the weather, seasons, sun, moon and the food we eat.

In their lessons the pupils in year 1 were introduced to the meaning of Islam and who has given us Islam.

On behalf of the Teachers and Faculty, I would like to thank you all for supporting the school’s Islamic endeavours and I hope that the years to come brings us increased amounts in knowledge and Iman for all of us.

Wassalam,

Imam Yousuf Hussein

The College School Bags are now available for purchase from the uniform shop. The bags are being sold for $20.00. It is envisaged that the College school bag will form part of the College uniform. Please visit the Schools uniform shop to purchase your child their school bag.