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Al Noori Muslim School – Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu

End of Term Message

We have had a very prosperous and busy first term of the year. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our students, teachers and their parents for working diligently together to ensure their academic and overall success from the very first day of 2019.

I want to congratulate all the students for their eager participation in the first term's events, including the numerous fundraising initiatives, wellbeing workshops across K-12, the high school's Commerce Market Day, World's Greatest Shave, ANZAC Day ceremony and the Ramadan Food Drive. A job well done by all involved and I look forward to seeing students in the next term in which we welcome Ramadan and many more achievements to come.

Ramadan School Times

To cater for the needs of the school community during Ramadan, the school hours will change.

School Starts	8:30am (Primary) 8:25am (High School)
School Ends	2:30pm (Primary and High School)

All students must be collected at 2:30pm. Please be prompt in collecting your children. Your cooperation is very much appreciated. The new times will be effective as of Monday the 6th of May. **The school canteen will be closed during the month of Ramadan and will re-open after Eid Al Fitr.**

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020

Enrolment forms for Kindergarten 2020 can be collected from the primary administration office as of the beginning of Term 2. All forms must be lodged with all the required documentation eg birth certificates, immunisation records and parents' citizenship, passport or Australian birth certificate. The application fee is \$75.

High School Enrolments for 2020

High school enrolment forms can be collected from the high school administration office from 1st April 2019. The application closing date is the 5th July 2019. Application fees is \$75 for external students.

Please note: All current Year 6 Al Noori students must lodge an application for entrance into the high school. All students need to bring their birth certificate, Medicare immunisation record and parents' citizenship or passport. Current Al Noori students do not need to pay the \$75 application fee.

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K-6 Student Assessment Portfolios

Student portfolios will be sent home on Monday the 8th of April 2019. Parents are kindly requested to sign the front cover of each assessment and return the portfolio to school by Friday the 12th of April.

All parents are invited to attend the **Parent/ Teacher Interviews** in order to discuss the progress of their child. Parent interview slips have been sent to all parents.

Parent Teacher Interviews- Grades 7-12

High school parent-teacher interviews will remain by-appointment only. All high school students have received letters outlining their parents' login details to book appointments. Please contact the school if there are issues in creating an appointment with your child's teacher.

Interviews will be conducted during Term 2, Week 1:

Tuesday, 30th April	Wednesday, 1st May	Thursday, 2nd May
Year 12 By appointment	Years 7 and 9 By appointment	Years 8, 10 and 11 By appointment

National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It tests the types of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, in reading, writing, spelling, grammar, punctuation, and numeracy. Please ensure your child has a restful sleep and nourishing breakfast/suhoor on the days of the assessment. In 2019, Al Noori Muslim School will be taking part in the NAPLAN online assessments.

The NAPLAN Online assessment window will commence from Tuesday the 14th of May and end on the 24th May 2019. Students have been familiarised with the online format of NAPLAN. Parents may visit the nap.edu.au website for further information on NAPLAN Online.

Bayt Al Zakat High Achiever's Award Ceremony

Al Noori Muslim School participated in Bayt Al Zakat's 21st annual High Achiever's Award Ceremony and dinner, where members of the Muslim and general community gathered to celebrate the achievements of Muslim youth in the 2018 Higher School Certificate.

All 38 of our students who achieved an ATAR over 90 were acknowledged and gifted for their hard efforts. We look forward to celebrating with our students of the 2019 Year 12 cohort inshallah.

Special Assembly - Christchurch incident

Students and teachers were addressed in the wake of the unfortunate and tragic Christchurch incident last month. Members of the NSW Police, NSW Parliament, pastoral figures and school counsellors addressed students from the primary and high school to remind them of our common humanity and to remain steadfast in their identity as Muslims. The school sheikhs addressed the students about Islamic values of compassion and the importance of having a proactive approach to community concerns. While the main aim was to convey reassurance, the common theme amongst all messages was of compassion and unity. Students were reminded of the many security measures provided at the school and that their safety and wellbeing is of paramount importance at Al Noori Muslim School.

High School Umrah Trip

We will be farewelling our Year 10 and Year 11 students on Wednesday (10th April) evening as they embark on their pilgrimage to Makkah and Al Madinah Al Munawwarah. They will be accompanied by Sheikh Khaled and Mr Naanai. We wish them a safe and blessed journey.

SRC INITIATIVES

The SRC has been working tirelessly this term to raise funds for the different initiatives they have committed to. So far this year, students, parents and teachers have raised tremendous amounts of money in support of the various projects. A huge thank you to Miss El Cheikh, Mr Sabouni and Ms Kak for coordinating these initiatives.



World's Greatest Shave Fundraiser

The World's Greatest Shave event raises funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. The money raised goes towards families facing blood cancer and gives them the help and support they need. It also helps fund vital research to help more people survive blood cancer.

Friday, 5th March saw some of our teachers and students take the challenge and shave for the cause. Together, K-12 students raised over \$8000 for the Leukaemia Foundation. A job well done by all!



NSW Annual ANZAC Day Commemoration Service

Al Noori Muslim School has been invited to participate in the NSW Annual ANZAC Day Commemoration Service alongside 70 other schools. Our school captains, Amna Bint Talha and Zubayr Parker will be attending with the principal, Mr Kak to lay a wreath and represent our school on Tuesday, 9th April 2019.

Ramadan Food Drive

Collections for the Ramadan Food Drive will continue until this Thursday, 11th April 2019. Food collected is packed and distributed to local needy families. Parents and students can drop off food in both the primary and/or high school administration offices.

Year 10 Commerce Market Day

Year 10 students have studied and worked enthusiastically throughout the term on their business skills; marketing and promoting their small business which culminated in the annual Year 10 Market Day. Students worked in teams to set up stalls and serve up their delicious meals to students and staff. They succeeded in raising close to \$6000 for the SRC's Orphan Sponsorship Program.

Uniform Reminders

Parents are reminded that the school blazer is a compulsory uniform item. As the winter season approaches, students must ensure that they are wearing school uniform items only. Non-school items will be confiscated. Students who do not have blazers or fail to wear the correct school uniform will receive disciplinary warnings.

Term 2 Dates

Last Day of Term 1	Friday, 12 th of April
First Day of Term 2	Tuesday, 30 th of April
Last Day of Term 2	Friday, 5 th of July

Term 2 Events

Week 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Pupil Free Day- Monday (29/4/19) ✓ Students return to school- Tuesday (30/4/19) ✓ Years 3 and 5 Saturday Enrichment Classes re-commence (4/5/19) ✓ Years 7 and 9 After-School Enrichment Classes re-commence ✓ Year 8 English Excursion
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Ramadan school hours begin (8:25-2:30pm) ✓ Years 3 and 5 Saturday Enrichment Class (12/5/18) ✓ Years 7-12 Wellbeing Incursions ✓ Legal Studies Incursion ✓ <i>No high school enrichment classes this week due to Ramadan times</i>
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ High School SRC Leadership Incursion ✓ NAPLAN Online Assessments- Grades 3, 5 7 and 9 ✓ Police Incursion- High School Girls
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ NAPLAN Online Assessments- Grades 3, 5 7 and 9 ✓ Police Incursion- High School Boys
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Eid Al Fitr
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Queen's Birthday- Public Holiday (Monday, 10th June) ✓ Resume normal school bell times ✓ Eid Fete ✓ Year 7 Claymation Workshop
Week 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ K-6 Book Fair ✓ Year 10 English Excursion ✓ Year 11 Biology Excursion
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ K-6 Half-Yearly Examination ✓ Grades 7-10 Half- Yearly Examinations
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Grades 7-10 Half- Yearly Examinations

Wishing all the students, parents and staff a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Wassalaam,

Mr Ali Kak

School Principal