



AL NOORI NEWS

Al Noori Muslim School

Our mission is for all students to be empowered, resilient and future-focused.

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Assalamu 'alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu.

It was exciting to welcome back students this week for Semester 2. We hope everyone had a relaxing break and a joyous Eid Al-Adha celebration. Term 3 will be another incredibly busy and exciting term with a myriad of activities taking place across the school. There are many events being planned, including Maths Week, Moathen (Athan) Competition Finals, Year 12 Graduation, incursions, charity fundraising events, and many more.

Last term, in the last two weeks, our students participated in a number of Eid Al-Adha activities. The school's Islamic identity is the grounding on which Al Noori Muslim School operates and as part of the Eid Al-Adha celebrations and initiatives, every class from K-12 was able to donate at least one Qurban to acknowledge and celebrate this joyous religious event. Across the school, \$24,920 worth of Qurbans were donated to countries across the world through a

number of various charities. We are proud of our students' efforts and the generosity of our school community and are grateful to be making an impact on the lives of the less fortunate.

10 Cows provided

300+ Families served

Location Dhaka Slums

Jazzak Allah Khayr

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for helping us continue this effort

We encourage students and parents to continue to support the school in the many fund-raising initiatives that aim to improve the lives of people in Australia and across the world who are struggling and are facing difficulty.

Ongoing charity events which students can continue to participate in include the 'Class Orphan Sponsorship' and the 'Bottle Recycling Orphan Sponsorship' programs. Students are encouraged to donate a gold coin or any loose change every Friday and recycle plastic bottles to sponsor orphans.

Gold coins and loose change can be placed in the charity tins located in every classroom.

Recycled plastic bottles can be placed in the designated recycle bins. Every 10-cent refund collected is donated to orphan sponsorship.

The school will continue in its mission to provide opportunities for students to practice the value of 'Care and Compassion' so students can show their empathy and kindness to the less fortunate and reap the rewards from Allah SWT.

With the current COVID-19 pandemic, we are reminded of the following important message from our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ to protect ourselves from calamities.

"Give charity without delay, for it stands in the way of calamity"

MATHS WEEK

Next week (Week 2) is Maths Week in the High School Campus. A sneak peek into the activities planned ... The Amazing Math Race, Pi Day, Problem of the Day, prizes, incursions and many more activities ...



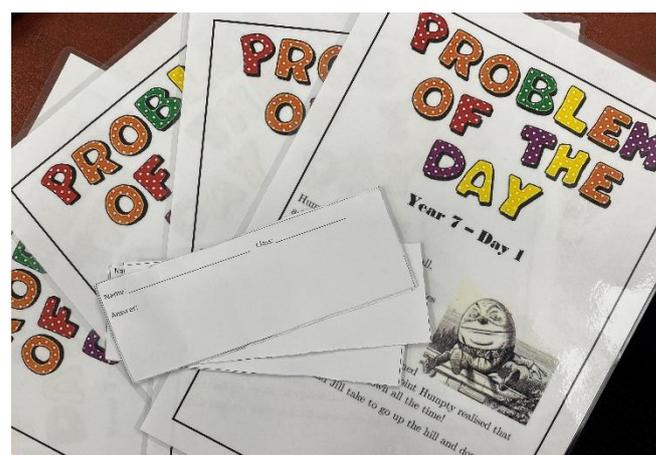
PI DAY

BEEF PIES \$2
2 FOR \$3.50
3 FOR \$5.00

LOLLY BAGS \$2.50

DRINKS \$2

FRIDAY 29 JULY 2022
QUAD RECESS AND LUNCH



SCIENCE FUN

Year 6 students started the week in engaging and fun science experiments. Happiness is seeing the smile on a child's face as they learn.



COVID-19 UPDATE

As you would be aware, living with COVID-19 is the new normal. On the 12th of July 2022, NSW Health announced an escalation in community settings including a reduction in the COVID reinfection period from 12 weeks to just 4 weeks.

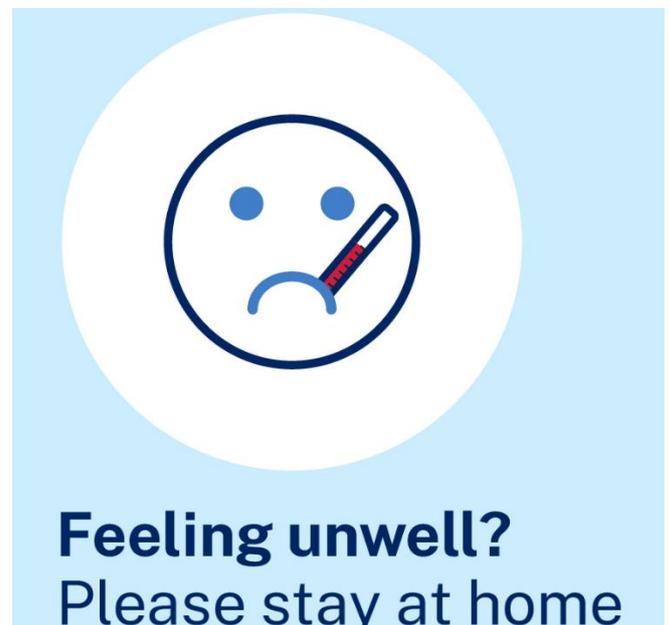
The reduced reinfection period is due to the latest subvariants of Omicron BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants circulating widely in the community. Hence, this term we will be implementing several measures to safeguard our school community.

The school will continue with a number of mitigation strategies to minimise the spread of COVID-19, including ventilation, hygiene practices and physical distancing.

During the winter months, there is a higher risk of illness. All students and their families should follow NSW Health's advice to reduce the risk of not only COVID-19, but also other illnesses that may affect schools this winter such as the flu.

Remember:

- stay home if unwell
- keep up to date with vaccinations – including the flu vaccine, which is available from your local GP or pharmacy. Flu vaccines are free for all children aged 6 months to under 5 years, or for a small charge for those aged 5 years and older.
- get tested immediately for COVID-19 if you become symptomatic and isolate until you receive a negative result.
- practice good hand hygiene by washing regularly with soap and water.
- take a RAHT before visiting vulnerable loved ones or going to large gatherings and events.



RAHT Test Kits

Over the next three weeks, Rapid Antigen Home Test (RAHT) kits will be provided to all students to help monitor your child's health and minimise transmission of COVID-19 across our school.

Parents will receive an email after they have been delivered to the school and before they are distributed to students.

Please note that the school will not be administering any RAHT tests to students. Parents/carers of children participating in RAHT testing will be required to administer the RAHT test at home.

COVID-19 Positive Result

If you test positive to COVID-19, you must:

- Record the positive RAHT result through the Service NSW website or Service NSW app.
- Notify the school of the positive RAT or PCR test result as soon as possible.
- Follow NSW Health advice to isolate for 7 days.

Students who receive a positive PCR or RAHT result must tell the school by sending an email to: enrolments@alnoori.nsw.edu.au or responding to the schools Sentral SMS absence text as soon as possible.

Please note that negative results do not need to be reported to Service NSW or to the school.

Returning to School

The current advice from NSW Health is that if a student is unwell and has any symptoms for any illness, they should always test for COVID-19.

If the test comes back negative for COVID-19, the student should still not return to school until either:

- the student no longer has any symptoms, or
- a medical certificate is provided to the school confirming that symptoms are explained by another diagnosis (such as hay fever).

If the test comes back positive for COVID-19, the student needs to isolate for seven days. After the student has finished the seven-day isolation period, they can return to school and attend classes.

People who have recovered from COVID-19 have a low risk of getting it again in the 4 weeks after they are released as most people develop some immunity (ability to fight the disease). **If a student has had confirmed COVID in the last 4 weeks, they do not have to comply with the NSW Health Household and Close Contact Guidelines.**

If your child is absent from school, please respond to the school SMS to explain your child's absence. Simply reply sick/ family reasons/ or another reason, to explain the absence. Replying to the SMS will mean teachers will not be required to retrieve a signed note from parents or caregivers.

Household and Close Contacts

Students who are household or close contacts do not need to self-isolate if they do not have any symptoms, but they must follow the rules below for 7 days from the last time someone in their household tested positive for COVID-19.

Students must:

- Monitor for symptoms and stay at home if your child starts to develop symptoms.
- Contact the school and notify that they are a close contact. If a student had a confirmed COVID-19 in the last 4 weeks, they are not deemed a close contact.
- Wear a mask when at school.
- Daily Rapid Antigen Testing for 5 days.

Masks

The advice from NSW Health and the Department of Education is that it is strongly encouraged for people to wear a mask in the first 4 weeks of Term 3, 2022. Hence, for the next 4 weeks, all students are 'strongly encouraged' to wear masks for this period. Students will need to supply their own masks.

Please note that masks continue to be mandatory on public transport, during school excursions by public transport or by chartered or private transport services. This rule applies to students aged 12 years and older.

Visitors to the School

All visitors to the school are also strongly encouraged to wear masks.

Any visitor to a school site who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. These visitors should conduct a daily RAHT and return a negative result before attending. They must also always wear a mask indoors. In some cases, the school may decide that a virtual meeting is the preferred option to minimise risk of COVID-19.

May Allah SWT keep you safe and in good health.

Wassalaam



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