



Assalamu Alaykum (wrb).

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank all parents for their support in our Healthy Eating Week initiative. I have already seen a change in the children's behaviour patterns. They are much calmer without the lollies and junk food. I have decided to continue with this programme until the end of the year. Please encourage your children to abstain from chips and fizzy drinks and lollies. Teachers have been instructed to remove any chips and lollies from children's lunchboxes. Ensure you make a healthy sandwich for your child every day.

ASSISSA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The ASSISSA Cross Country Carnival was held on the 25th of May at Queens Park. Forty of our students competed at the carnival. Sarah El Helou came 5th in the 11 Years Girls' race. She will be representing ASSISSA at the CIS Cross Country Carnival on the 6th of June. Sarah also represented ASSISSA at the CIS Cross Country Carnival last year. Well done, Sarah!

PREMIER'S RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY FORUM

Our school was invited to be part of the Premier's Respect and Responsibility Forum held on the 30th May. The Interschool Harmony Committee was asked to showcase their Harmony project in which 8 schools participated, including our school. Our two student representatives, Omar Yacoub and Afia Zabin, attended the forum, and Afia was part of the presentation. Congratulations to Afia for her excellent performance in public speaking.

SCHOOL FEES

Term 2 fees are now overdue. Students whose fees have not been paid by the exam dates will not sit for their exams.

H. Toefy, Deputy Principal

SCHOOL PARLIAMENT

A new initiative instigated by Miss Thompson, is the School Parliament, which is a component of the HSIE KLA for Stage 3. The parliament is composed of Year 5 and 6 students. The School Captains and Vice Captains play the roles of Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister, and the Prefects are Ministers in charge of specific portfolios. The rest of the Year 5 and 6 students are the backbenchers. Students are taught specific skills on how to conduct Parliamentary sessions, which include voting and discussions on specific issues. Representatives from the Year 3 and 4 classes (and later on Kindergarten to Year 2 as well) attend Parliament as Guest Speakers and present issues about the school that their class feels passionate about. Students are excited about the opportunity to do things to improve their school. It is also an excellent way for students to learn about how government works and to develop their talking and listening skills for public speaking and debating.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Parents, please remember that Rissalah College is an Islamic School and our ethos is based on the Holy Qur'an and the Sunna of the Prophet Mohammad (Peace be upon him). Therefore, we do not celebrate birthdays at Rissalah College. Please do not send birthday cakes and lollies to celebrate your child's birthday at school.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Tuesday 6th June – CIS Cross Country Carnival
Monday 12th June – Public Holiday
Thursday 15th June – UNSW English Competition
Monday 19th June – Half yearly exams/Formal assessments K-6
Tuesday 27th June – Deadly Australians Workshop
Tuesday 4th July – Parent/Teacher interviews for Infants (K-2) from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Wednesday 5th July – Parent/Teacher interviews for Primary (3-6) from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Portfolios (including formal reports) to be given out this day (K-6).
Thursday 6th July – Portfolios due back
Friday 7th July – Last day of Term 2